

## **The Bulldog Barks**

### **May 4, 2018**

#### **Celebrate St. Mary's**

We had a great time on Saturday night! It was a special evening for the Peters' family. Thank you to all who helped in any way to make this night a success. A special thank you to Krista Hensley, Kerrie Ohlmansiek and Randi McGraw for soliciting, gathering and putting together some amazing Silent Auction baskets! We raised \$10,900 with dinner, Silent Auction, Live Auction and Raffle ticket sales!

#### **St. Mary's Night at the Races – Lawrenceburg Speedway – May 5th**

St. Mary's has been offered the opportunity to sell tickets to Lawrenceburg Speedway on Saturday, May 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Students should arrive by 6:10 p.m., by the front gate. We will sing the National Anthem around 7 p.m. Any student that is not staying will be escorted to the parking lot by Mr. Tush. All other students will go to the grand stands to meet their families. Students get in free, but everyone else must purchase a ticket. Students should wear blue jeans and a white or blue uniform shirt. They may bring extra clothes to change into after they sing.

#### **Yearbook Orders**

2017/2018 yearbook orders are due by May 29th. Give check or cash to Ms. Ann or Mrs. Rice. The cost is \$10.00/each. Make checks payable to St. Mary's School. They will be passed out at the Open House on Monday, July 30th. The order form is attached.

#### **Yearbook Ads**

There is still room for a few business ads in the yearbook. If you or your business are interested, contact Mrs. Rice.

#### **Registration Packets**

If you have not turned in your registration packet, please do so as soon as possible. If you have misplaced the original packet, please call the office and we will get you a new packet. Thank You!

Ms. Ann will be calling families that have not turned in their Registration Packets.

#### **Voucher Program**

Just a reminder that we need a copy of your most recent tax returns to submit your financial information for the voucher program. If you are not sure if you qualify, please contact Mr. Tush at 812-926-1558.

Also, any previous voucher recipients should not pay any registration, book or tuition fees until we determine your final award amount. This saves time and work in the office, by avoiding the extra work to reissue checks for overpayment of fees.

#### **BoxTops Coupons**

Please send in any Box Tops Coupons before the end of the year. Please continue to collect them over the summer and bring them in at the beginning of the year. The coupons do have expiration dates, so we need to submit them before they expire!

**Kindergarten – Mrs. Denning****[amy.denning@mystmarys.com](mailto:amy.denning@mystmarys.com)**

In phonics we will continue our work with the vc'/cv rule to divide and read 2 syllable words. We will also get Reader 16, *What is my Pet?*

In math we will be identifying and making symmetrical designs. (Having an imaginary line, so that the parts on both sides are alike.) We will also review the identification and value of coins, count money, and work with addition and subtraction story problems.

Please remember to sign and return midterm letters.

If you haven't already done so, please return the sheet for our last day celebration. I need to get numbers to our room parents to make sure we have enough snacks/drinks for everyone.

Have a stellar week!

**Grade 1 – Ms. McPherson****[mcperson.1@mystmarys.com](mailto:mcperson.1@mystmarys.com)**

Midterm reports went home on Thursday. Please sign and return the white copy to school by May 11th. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns about your child's progress.

The 1st graders will be reading in church during Mass on Wednesday, May 9th! A big thanks goes to our 1st grade religion teacher, Mrs. Vincent, for helping the children prepare for Mass.

Spelling test #22 was sent home. Our spelling sentences are getting longer, so please remember to study! Our test will be on Friday, May 11th.

In Phonics we will be reading and spelling new words containing combination wh (as in whale). We are also learning the 4th sound of the letter a (as in wallet), and the two sounds of digraph ei (as in receipt and veil).

**Grade 2 – Mrs. Grove****[annmarie.grove@mystmarys.com](mailto:annmarie.grove@mystmarys.com)**

We went to Communion with our arms crossed over our hearts for the last time Wednesday. We are so excited to be receiving our First Holy Communion Sunday! Remember to be in church at 10:15 a.m. for the group photo on the altar.

The chicks are starting to get feathers, so they will have to go to their permanent home on the Wismann farm soon. Otherwise they will fly right out of their box!

Please practice regrouping with two-digit numbers when subtracting (borrowing). We are having a difficult time remembering to do this!

**Grade 3 – Mrs. Rector****[kim.rector@mystmarys.com](mailto:kim.rector@mystmarys.com)**

Midterms were sent home on Thursday. Please sign and return one copy, and let me know if you have any questions or concerns. We will continue our normal schedule until the end of the year, so there is still time to improve and prepare for fourth grade.

We finished our chapter on properties and states of matter in Science and will have a test on Tuesday. In Social Studies, we are continuing to learn about communities. Students are enjoying our chapter on geometry in Math. They still need to be practicing their multiplication facts because we will be multiplying two digit numbers soon. The final day to finish their AR goal for this quarter will be May 24. Several students have already met their goal. Have a great week!

**Grade 4 – Mrs. Meyer****[amanda.meyer@mystmarys.com](mailto:amanda.meyer@mystmarys.com)**

Students are doing a great job researching their famous Hoosier. We will now start writing the introduction, topic sentences for each paragraph, and the conclusion. Students will then put it all together in a Word document. We will also take time soon to write a monologue, or short paragraph, about their famous Hoosier. This will be what students memorize and say for the wax museum.

Students have been practicing spelling words with -er and -est. The spelling test will be Tuesday, May 8. We will also finish our algebra chapter in math. Students can expect a test later in the week. The last Scholastic Book order of the school year is due Friday, May 11! If you don't see anything you like in the flyer, remember you can always look online as well. Hopefully you can find some good books to read this summer!

**Grade 5 – Mrs. Baker****leslie.baker@mystmarys.com**

The last Scholastic Book order of the school year will go home on Monday. Please order online or send your order in to me by Friday, May 11th. There are a lot of great books to finish AR reading for the year and some great summer reading choices too.

We are continuing our study of the settlement of the 13 colonies in social studies. Fifth graders will need to know all of the colonies for this test. They each have a packet in their VIP folder to help them study throughout the chapter. Getting a head start on knowing the colonies will really help. In math we are finishing our chapter on adding and subtracting decimals. We will have a test next week. Please check your child's assignment book for more information on the test date throughout the week. We are also reading our last novel of the year, *The Sign of the Beaver*, in reading. Our book takes place during the settlement of the colonies. We will be reading this book together and doing some work in groups. Have a great week!

**Grade 6 – Mrs. Rice****suzy.rice@mystmarys.com**

CYO Camp is a week from Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Students should be at school by 8:05 a.m. with their bedding and a pillow, and a bag packed with clothes and toiletries. If the weather is clear, students will put their things packed on the lower playground. Anything they want while on the bus, bring inside the cafeteria. Give any medicine to Mrs. Rice. Be sure medicine is marked clearly with student's name and the proper dosage. Be sure to bring inhalers or epi-pens. We will return on Tuesday around 2:00 p.m. Students need to be picked up by normal dismissal time.

Midterms were sent home yesterday. Sign and return one copy, ASAP.

**Grade 7 – Mr. Johnson****brady.johnson@mystmarys.com**

Approximately 3 weeks of class remaining. I plan on wrapping up our final units in all three Social Studies classes. Sixth grade will continue to focus on Europe. Asia will be the primary focus of the 7<sup>th</sup> grade, and the cause of the Civil War, the ending of slavery, and the reconstruction of the union will be the main objectives in 8<sup>th</sup> grade history. I urge students to keep their focus, a lot of times students will try to kick it in neutral and coast to the finish of the year. We still have plenty to do to finish the school year. God Bless.

**Grade 8 – Ms. Stemler****stemler.8@mystmarys.com**

Final book projects were due on Wednesday. A job well done to each grade on the effort and creativity put into them!

6<sup>th</sup> grade: This sixth graders this week finished the novel *Crossover*. They absolutely loved it! We then challenged ourselves to write free verse poems using onomatopoeias, alliterations, similes, and metaphors. We all enjoyed this free verse poetry novel so much, that next week we will read *Booked*, which a very similar novel written by the same author.

7<sup>th</sup> grade: The seventh graders have been working on their STEM projects this week. Next week they will present them. Hopefully we'll finish *Crossover* as well. Make sure to bring in your parent's favorite book!

8<sup>th</sup> grade: The eighth graders have been working on their Argumentative essays this week. They are due on Monday. Next week they will be doing their final project.

**\*\*8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Trip\*\***

There will be a meeting on Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. to discuss the class trip. You will need your final payments, and a signed copy of the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Rules that was sent home on Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup>.

**7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Science – Mr. Brookbank****brookbank.science@mystmarys.com**

8<sup>th</sup> grade has completed the eye dissection lab. The students improved on lab techniques and "staying on task" was vastly improved. We will test Friday or Monday, concentrating on the structures of the eye and their specific functions.

Both classes have begun a section on Chemistry Basics and will be performing labs concentrating on this branch of science.

**Cafeteria and Playground hours:**

**Cafe:** First lunch is served at 11 a.m., so arrive 10 – 15 minutes early. Serve three lunch periods and help clean up kitchen, wash dishes, etc. You should be finished around 12:45 p.m.

**Playground:** Arrive around 11:15 a.m. and help the teacher supervise students on playground, Activity Center or at the park (depending on weather). You should be finished around 12:30 p.m.

**Cafeteria Volunteers:**

05/07 – Pat Scharf, 05/08 – Barb Langdon, 05/09 – Marge Waldon, 05/10 – Barb Maness, 05/11 – Patty Kent, **05/14 – HELP NEEDED**, 05/15 – Marge Beinkemper, 05/16 – Marge Waldon, 05/17 – Barb Maness, 05/18 – Patty Kent, 05/21 – Pat Scharf, 05/22 – Barb Langdon, 05/23 – Marge Waldon, 05/24 – Barb Maness, 05/25 – Patty Kent, **05/29 – HELP NEEDED**

**Playground Volunteers:**

05/07 - Bernadine/Carolyn, 05/08 – Meghan Oatman, 05/09 – Monica Ramsey, 05/10 – Chris Strzok, 05/11 – Chris Strzok, 05/14 - Bernadine/Carolyn, 05/15 – Meghan Oatman, 05/16 – Monica Ramsey, 05/17 – Chris Strzok, 05/18 – Chris Strzok, 05/21 - Bernadine/Carolyn, 05/22 – Meghan Oatman, 05/23 – Monica Ramsey, 05/24 – Chris Strzok, 05/25 – Chris Strzok, **05/29 – HELP NEEDED**

**Please contact the school office at 812-926-1558, if you are available to work one of the OPEN positions.**

**Lunch Menu: \$14.50 per ticket**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
3-Way Tossed Salad Green Beans Crackers Fruit Milk	Petite Chicken Strips Corn Green Beans Buttered Noodles Fruit Milk	Hamburger or Pizza Burger French Fries Baked Beans Fruit Milk	Taco (Beef or Chicken) Refried Beans Corn Fruit Milk	Sausage Gravy Biscuits Sausage Links Carrots Mixed Vegetable Fruit Milk

# Calendar of Events:

05/05	St. Mary's Night at the Races – Lawrenceburg Speedway
05/06	First Communion Mass at St. Mary's at 11 a.m.
05/07 – 05/11	Teacher Appreciation Week
05/14 – 05/15	CYO Camp (6th & 7th Grade)
05/14 – 05/18	8th Grade Class Trip
05/24	8th Grade Graduation – 6 p.m.
05/25	Kindergarten End of Year Celebration – 1 p.m.
05/29	Last Student Day - Student mass at 8:30 a.m. - Awards Ceremony at 1 p.m.

## Next Year!

Monday, 07/30

PTO Open House

- 5:30 p.m. – Activity Center doors open
- 6:00 p.m. – PTO Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. – Classrooms open to drop off supplies

## Attachments:

- Yearbook Order Form
- Young Rembrandt Summer Workshops
- NKU Volleyball Camps

## Safe and Sacred

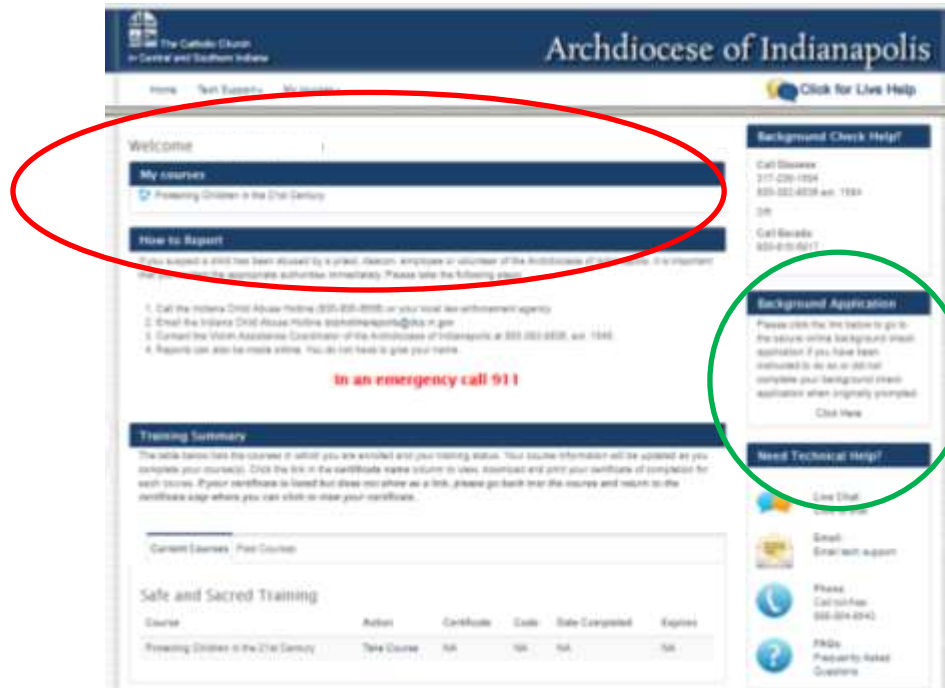
The Archdiocese of Indianapolis is sending out reminders to people that need to take or update training and/or their background check. Your certification will expire every three (3) years. You can either click on the link in the email you receive or you can go to [www.safeandsacred-archindy.org](http://www.safeandsacred-archindy.org). Please see below for a screen shot of what your screen will look like.

### Steps:

Log into your Safe and Sacred account. If you need any assistance with logging in, please contact tech support as directed on the site. You may be asked to update your profile.

1. You will need to take the course (or courses) that are listed under the “My Courses” on the left side of the screen.
2. You will also need to request a background check. You can do this by selecting the “Click Here” under “Background Application”

1. Take the class or classes that are at the top of the page.
2. Go to the right side of the screen and click on the “Click Here” under the Background Application



St. Mary’s will receive notification that you have completed the training and in about 1 week, we will receive your background check.