

Mission Statement: We partner with parents providing a Catholic school rooted in the gospel teachings of Jesus Christ, modeled by Mary our mother, encouraging a virtuous life following the Catholic faith and pursuing academic excellence.



MARIAN MESSENGER

October 11, 2018

Week –At – A - Glance

Friday, October 12, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 7:30 Band ❖ 8:30 All School Mass; gr. 3
Monday, October 15, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Morning Prayer; gr. 8 ❖ 5:30 4-5 Wildbots Robotics
Tuesday, October 16, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 7:30 Band ❖ DRESS DOWN DAY \$1 ❖ 4:30 Girls' Volleyball at AA Christian
Wednesday, October 17, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 8:30 Primary Mass; gr. 5 ❖ Salsarita Day; pre-ordered ❖ 5:00 Wildbots Robotics ❖ 7:00 6-8 Master Builders Robotics ❖ 7:00 Finance Meeting
Thursday, October 18, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 8:00 am PTC Meeting ❖ 5th gr. Field Trip/Dewey School ❖ 3:15-4:15 Chess Scholars ❖ 3:15-4:15 Children's Choir ❖ 8:00 Auction Meeting
Friday, October 19, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 7:30 Band ❖ 8:30 All School Mass; gr. 8

LUNCH INFORMATION

Grades 6-8 Lunch 11:30-12:00

Grades K-5 Lunch 12:05-12:45

Please provide your students with everything they need to eat their lunch; plate, eating utensil, napkin, drink, condiments

Principal Notes

Hamburg Library Chili Fundraiser: Thank you to everyone who helped out by either donating items for the lunch or giving of your time. It was greatly appreciated.

RAFFLE TICKETS: Raffle tickets are here and ready for pick up. If you have not picked up your tickets yet, please do so today or tomorrow.

Ticket stubs and money are due back to the school office by Friday, November 30 so they can be processed and accounted for before the raffle takes place on December 18th.

November Salsarita: The order form for November is included at the bottom of the Messenger. November orders are due Friday, October 26th by 9:00 am.

Dress Down Day: Tuesday is the scheduled October Dress Down Day. The cost is \$1.00.

Picture Retakes: Tuesday, October 23 will be the next opportunity to get your child's picture taken or re-taken. If you need an order form for a first time picture, please stop by the school office to pick one up or call and we can send one home with your student. If you are having pictures re-taken, please return the entire packet to the school office and we will get the student's name on the list to get their picture taken.

8th Grade Retreat: Thank you to Dexter Orthodontics for sponsoring lunch for the students!

Thank you for all that you do to make St. Mary School a great place to be!
Peace, Veronica Kinsey

CLASSROOM NEWS

ART

All the art classes have been creating beautiful pieces of work. The students' artwork will often come at the end of each marking period. Each class began the year with the element of art-color or line. The Kindergarten began the year creating a color wheel using a mouse shape. They are currently working on a scarecrow drawing. The First grade began the year with a watercolor painting color wheel of birds. They are currently working on an apple basket collage. The Second grade began the year with a warm/cool color line design. They are currently finishing a watercolor leaf painting collage. The Third grade began the year with a primary/secondary color name design. The class is currently working on a Pablo Picasso inspired Frankenstein. The Fourth grade began the year with a watercolor and sharpie radial design. They are currently working on a grid fall tree design.

The Fifth grade has Art Appreciation and Art "studio" class this year. In Art Appreciation the students began the year with learning the principles and elements of art terms. The students need these terms to be able to be an art critic. Throughout the year we will have "positive" art critiques of class work and famous paintings. In studio class the fifth graders began an Vincent Van Gogh inspired Starry Night. Currently in Art appreciation and studio art they have learned about the artist Edvard Munch. They are creating their own version of "The Scream".

In Middle school Art Appreciation class, the students began the year with learning the principles and elements of art terms. The students need these terms and skills in order to be an art critic. Throughout the school year the class will have "positive" art critiques of class work and famous paintings. Currently in Art Appreciation, the students are learning the connections of

STEAM in the art world. They will learn the thinking process of how to create their own brand of shoe.

The Sixth grade Art class began the year with a Vincent Van Gogh inspired oil pastel sunflower/vase drawing. They are currently finishing a Zentangle line design. The Seventh and Eighth grade classes began the year learning to draw a one-point perspective bedroom, inspired by Vincent Van Gogh. ~Mrs. Hamer, Art Teacher mrshamer@stmarypinckney.org

COMPUTER

I hope the new school year is off and running well for you and your family!

All grades from 3rd through 8th have www.typing.com usernames and passwords (Google Accounts) to practice typing skills. Please allow your child or children to work on typing at home. Normally the classes start up with 5 to 10 minutes of keyboarding, but this is not enough time to gain the proper skills and speed in which they will need as they eventually enter high school. Also, as I recognize students need a change of pace, students are also encouraged to find a typing game to break up the monotony of our normal typing program while they practice at home.

Students in 3rd through 8th have been focusing on getting back to basics... getting into Google Accounts and using the different apps (Docs, Slides) within G Suite. We continue to be diligent about learning about online safety as well as cyberbullying. For the younger grades we will continue to work on different projects that surround basic computer skills and safety within the classroom and online. We use a variety of websites and programs that focus on keyboarding, mouse skills, and learning that computers can be fun too!

Enjoy the fall colors and weather! Scott Hayes mrhayes@stmarypinckney.org

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

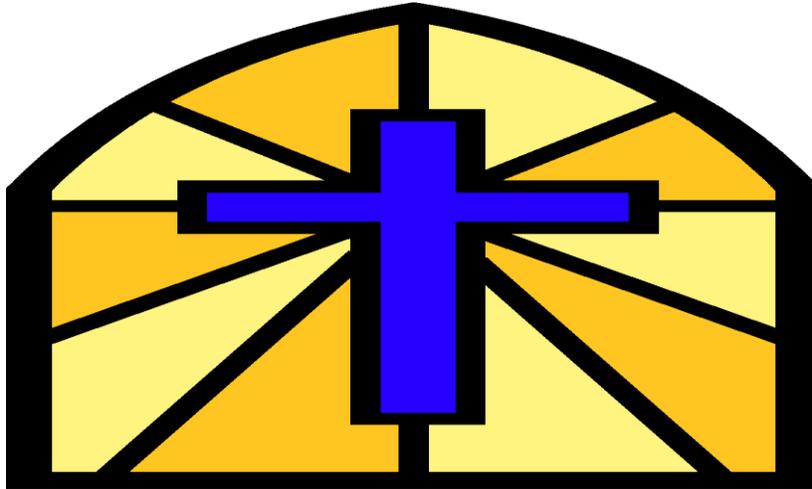
The start of the year in physical education class has been filled with many activities, games, practice, learning and challenges. I enjoy watching the students play and see their excitement when they learn a new skill. Further, I get great gratification when I see and hear the students working together in a positive way; the social aspect is a huge piece of our classroom. In physical education there are three domains I teach to, the cognitive, the affective, and the psychomotor and I try to hit on each of these on a daily basis. I have three core rules in my classroom; work hard, be kind, and tell the truth. Both personally and professionally these are traits I strive to uphold and on as the leader of the classroom I demonstrate these qualities day in and day out.

I encourage you to stay up with checking power school as grades are up to date and I do my best to enter them on a bi-weekly basis. I would also like to give a reminder to students who get changed for PE class to remember their clothes and get changed for PE class. Students are given two free no dress days each quarter but ones following that will start to hurt their grade.

Currently in class the K-2nd grade students finished up a unit on playground ball skills. From there we will move to hula hoop manipulation activities. Near the end of October I look to teach our Halloween themed dance again. Locomotor skills and strength based activities are included in daily lessons.

The 3rd-5th grade is in the middle of a Frisbee unit where they are learning how properly throw and catch a disc. Following that, we will participate in some group challenges focusing on cooperation and teamwork. We will finish October with our themed dance as well as running the timed ½ mile which we are hoping to see an improvement from the first time they ran it.

The 6th-8th grade students are in the middle of their Frisbee unit as well. We just spent time practicing the basics of throwing and catching in several different ways. Next, we will move towards small group games using a Frisbee and finally work towards playing Ultimate Frisbee. We will finish October with another timed run of the mile; this is graded and are again hoping to see faster times than their first test. ~ Mr. Dinkel P.E. Teacher



FYI:

Virtue of the Week

SELF-CONTROL meaning: Joyful mastery over one's passions and desires

LOOKS LIKE: Raising your hand before talking in class, Walking in a straight line. Keeping your hands to yourself, Not taking an extra cookie, Listening to others while they speak; not interrupting them

SOUNDS LIKE: I will raise my hand before I speak. Silence I will keep my hands to myself. I will only take one cookie even if I want more than one. Silence. I will listen while you are speaking.

2 TIMOTHY 1:6-7

Hence I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power and love and self-control.

Dress Down Day – Tuesday, October 16. The 7th grade class is sponsoring a dress-down day on Tuesday, October 16. Any student who wishes to

participate should bring in \$1 and give it to their homeroom teacher. Thank you for your participation in this dress down day, as well as our other ones throughout the school year. The funds raised will help the seventh graders pay for their BaySail trip in May.

October 26th School Special Lunch: School lunch for October 26th is Sloppy Joe, Tatertots, Corn, Sliced apple. (If your child would like an extra sloppy Joe, please order an extra meal.) The cost for one meal is \$2.00. Please order by October 22. Money in an envelope with student's name on the envelope marked school lunch would be fantastic.

Save the date! Save the date! Save the date!

The annual **Tricia T. Berger Music Scholarship fundraiser dinner will be on Friday November 9th. Dinner will be available from 3:15pm to 7:00pm.**

Take out will also be available during that time. The menu will include a pasta bar with 3 different noodles and 2 or 3 homemade sauces. There will also be a salad bar with many wonderful toppings, plus coffee, lemonade, water, and dessert!

A sign-up genius will be coming out soon! It will include the food items we are looking for and time slots for workers. We hope to see you there!

Project Healthy Schools Wellness Tip: Apples are in season starting in September. Michigan is the third largest producer of apples in the United States. The most popular variety of apple in Michigan is the Red Delicious. According to the Guinness Book of Records, the largest apple ever plucked from a tree weighed 3 pounds, 2 ounces, and was picked in Caro, Michigan. What is your favorite kind of apple? Enjoy some Michigan apples this fall!

Life Skills Everyone should know: by Karen Weese, freelance writer:

“Until recently my smart and accomplished 17-year-old neighbor did not know how to use a can opener, and a bright 15-year-old relative recently tried to microwave a plate of spaghetti with a metal fork in it. Another friend's teenage sister tried to mail a letter without a stamp. It's fun to giggle at these life-skills lapses, but let's be fair: We used to mess stuff up, too. When I was in my 20's, I decided it was too much trouble to drag out the ironing board for just one pair of pants and instead ironed them on my new couch, which subsequently melted. My friend's mother singed her eye-brows off when a baked potato exploded (she'd thought the fork holes her own mom put in potatoes had just

been for decoration). As a teenager, my friend Pete used the dining room table as a makeshift bench to cut a piece of wood, forgetting that in cutting the board he would also slice off a giant piece of the table. Another friend's grandmother, who went to college in Arizona, was so stymied by laundry that she sent all of it home. By train. To Minnesota. "My sister once called my dad to ask how she would know when the water on the stove was boiling," another friend tells me. "He hung up on her." These stories made me realize that my kids, ages 10 and 13, won't know this stuff if I don't teach them. So I'm declaring this the Summer of Life Skills, and have created a list of things to cover, with input from other parents." STAY TUNED FOR LIFE SKILLS!

Carry this thought in your heart as a guide for your faith journey this week.

Wisdom 7:7-11 Mark 10:17-30

This Old Testament reading begins with a prayer. It is a prayer answered by God. We hear that God was called upon and wisdom was given. In this reading the author shows us that

God offered to give Solomon whatever he wished for, and the king asked only for the gift of wisdom. Wisdom was understood to be a gift from God. In this story Solomon does not pray for material things. We realize that to him nothing compares to the radiance of wisdom. This gospel reading gives us an account of a young man who chooses material things over God's offering. The rich man comes to Jesus seeking the ultimate good, but when Jesus answers him with what he must do to be a disciple, the man goes away sad. His riches will never give him the fullness of life here on earth and after death that Jesus has to offer. After witnessing the young man's refusal to follow Jesus, the disciples begin to wonder who can be saved. Jesus responds to their question with the hopeful news that all things are possible with God.

Salvation is a work of grace and a gift from God. This reading points out that we can choose to accept the gift or walk away. Jesus offers saving words to those who seek eternal life, and the gospels pass on that same offer to all that hear God's sacred Word in every age.

- Where do you find your treasure?
- How does Jesus want you to get to know him better?
- What does Jesus have to offer you?

Word of God/Revelation

The way in which God reveals things and what God reveals, forms the basis of Catholic belief. Everything focuses around Jesus Christ who is the ultimate revelation of God and God's love for us. We believe that Jesus is the eternal Word of God who by his earthly life, teaching, and ministry and by his death and resurrection has shown us the way to God and brought us salvation. Jesus is the eternal Word, the self-communication of God to humanity.

We believe that God's invitation demands a response. We have the freedom to turn toward God or turn away. Because God is gracious and merciful we are given a lifetime to respond to the invitation.

While each believer makes a personal response, faith is not something we live out alone. The Church is a community that believes, and through that community faith is nourished, sustained, and expressed.

- How are you being invited to turn toward God?
- What is your response to God's invitation?
- Describe the faith community that you belong to.

Wednesday, November 7

Taco Day with Salad

Soft Ground Beef Taco

Optional Toppings:

Lettuce, Cheese, Tomato

Sides:

Garden Salad with White Corn

Chips & Mild Salsa

Orange Wedges



Small
\$4.00

Large
\$5.50

Circle Grade & Entrée Size: K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

First & Last Name _____

Wednesday, November 14

Grilled Chicken Rice Bowl

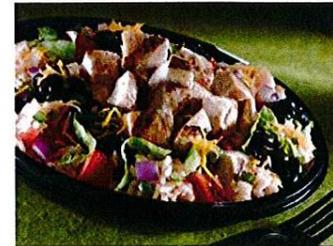
Optional Toppings:

Mexican Rice, Black Beans, Steamed Corn & Cheese

Sides:

Chips & Salsa,

Orange Wedges



Small
\$4.00

Large
\$5.50

Circle Grade & Entrée Size: K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

First & Last Name _____

Wednesday, November 28

Cheesy Chicken Roll-Up

Grilled Chicken & Mexican Rice Rolled in a Tortilla Shell

Optional Toppings:

Black Beans, Queso, Lettuce & Tomatoes

Sides:

Chips & Salsa

Orange Wedges



Small
\$4.00

Large
\$5.50

Circle Grade & Entrée Size: K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

First & Last Name _____

Any Dietary Concerns Contact:

Connie @ Salsarita's 810-227-2572

Total Meals Ordered: _____

Total \$\$ Enclosed: _____

Check #: _____