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 4, 2018

Week –At – A - Glance

| Friday, October 5, 2018 | ❖ **No Band today**
| | ❖ 8:30 All School Mass; gr. 4
| | ❖ First Friday Food Drive
| | ❖ Popcorn Day $.50 per bag
| | ❖ Red Wing Ticket orders/$ due

| Saturday, October 6, 2018 | ❖ 10:30 Hamburg Library Chili Fundraiser

| Monday, October 8, 2018 | ❖ Morning Prayer; gr. 2
| | ❖ Kindergarten Field Trip; Apple orchard
| | ❖ 4th grade Trip to the State Capital
| | ❖ 3:30-5:00 K-3 Super Builders Robotics
| | ❖ 5:30 4-5 Wildbots Robotics

| Tuesday, October 9, 2018 | ❖ **Spirit Wear Day**
| | ❖ 7:30 Band
| | ❖ 4:30 Girls’ Volleyball home against SSA

| Wednesday, October 10, 2018 | ❖ 8:30 Middle School Mass; gr. 8
| | ❖ **Salsarita Day**; pre-ordered
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<td>Friday, October 12, 2018</td>
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**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:**

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090849abad22ab9-hamburg1

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to help with this community event. We need people to serve. Pick a shift, it’s easy. Have your student come dressed in their uniform to help or just greet people as they walk by. He/she will learn how to work with other adults, learn leadership skills, and understand how volunteering is an important part of being a disciple of Jesus by serving others through your example. If this doesn’t get picked up Mrs. Kinsey will have to do all shifts.

**RAFFLE TICKETS:** Raffle tickets are here and ready for pick up today and tomorrow. The sooner you get them the quicker you can sell them. There are four weekend dates that are available after Masses that you can sell tickets to parishioners. Please see the letter enclosed with the tickets for dates. 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.

**WALK-A-THON:** Thank you to everyone who helped sponsor our Walk-a-thon this year. We were able to raise $4552.00! This is awesome and will totally help us purchase some iPads for the Kindergarten/First graders to use. God is Good all the Time. All the Time God is Good!

Thank you to all who were able to make the Virtus Refresher at Open House. For those whose schedules did not permit or you were home taking care of the home front, we will be offering the Virtus Refresher video after drop off at 8:15-8:45 and pick up at 2:25-3:15 next week Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. If we have a lot of people we will set up in the multi-use room if not we will just use a conference room.

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

Peace, Veronica Kinsey

**CLASSROOM NEWS**

**SPANISH**

For the first few weeks, Spanish classes have focused on recognizing cognates, counting in Spanish, colors, feelings, and on National Hispanic Heritage Month. We have learned the story of Mexico’s Independence Day in all grades and continue to learn about its culture with crafts and activities. Kindergarten, first and second graders have made finger puppets. First, second and third graders have made Mexican balero toys, and fourth and fifth graders have made ojos de Dios (eyes of god). Stay tuned for a special activity for the sixth, seventh and eighth graders—possibly a fiesta!

I am grateful for the new Sonrisas Spanish curriculum that St. Mary and Holy Spirit Schools have purchased for the students. It offers a complete package of posters, music CDs, stories, language development and craft ideas—what a blessing! We have been implementing Sonrisa’s circle time and lessons in the elementary classes.
In the next month or so, we will focus on formal and informal greetings and farewells, and on learning to carry on simple conversations.

Thank you for allowing me to come to St. Mary School and introduce your students to the second most-spoken language in the United States—Spanish.

~Mrs. Rivett, Spanish Teacher

The elementary students have been spending time exploring some basic elements of music through singing and movement. They are also being introduced to basic rhythm reading. We are paying particular attention to the pitch, rhythm, and tempo of music of various styles and time periods. Actively listening to music is also being emphasized as a method of discovering its many components. The middle schools students have been learning about basic music notation by reading, identifying and writing basic music symbols. The 5-8 Band has been meeting in the mornings on Tuesdays and Fridays, and has been working on developing their individual and ensemble skills. The Beginning band students are VERY excited about learning to play their instrument, and I know the noise level in their home has increased in the past few weeks. There have been some interesting (joyful noise!) sounds emanating from the music room this week!

"I play the notes as they are written, but it is God who makes the music."

Johann Sebastian Bach ~Mr. Hartman, Music Director
FYI:

Virtue of the Week

PATIENCE meaning: Bearing present difficulties calmly

LOOKS LIKE: Waiting without complaining, Raising your hand and waiting for Sister to call on you, Raising your hand and waiting calmly for the teacher to answer your question, Waiting in line for lunch, Bearing your own difficulties

SOUNDS LIKE: I will wait for you. I will wait for my turn. I will raise my hand and wait for my teacher to call on me. I will wait my turn. I will not push or cut ahead in line. Jesus, I trust in You! I will not complain.

1 CORINTHIANS 13:4

Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful;

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.

**Project Healthy Schools Wellness Tip:** Make physical activity a regular part of your family’s daily or weekly schedule and write it on a family activity calendar. Physical activity is a key element in living a longer, healthier, happier life. Physical activity simply means movement of the body that uses energy. Even before you see the difference, you’ll feel the difference! After just 10 minutes of brisk walking, you’re likely to feel more energy and less tension for as long as 2 hours!

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**Cross Country News**

**St. Paul meet: top 5 places got ribbons:**

Charlie Connelly: 4th place in 5th/6th grade boys race

Erin Stuk: 5th place in 7th/8th grade girls race

**Coaching Legends @ Huron Meadows:**

There were 878 athletes from 16 schools competing at this meet with up to 190 in each race!!!!

Top 75 got medals. Top 5 got an additional award @ the awards ceremony.

**5th/6th boys:**

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Isabella Wittrup 53rd medal

7th/8th girls:
Erin Stuk 1st place out of 109 medal

FYI, we/St. Mary’s has never gotten 1st place in any large meet. This was a 1st for us when Erin won the girls 7th/8th grade race!!!! Also, 8 out of our 11 runners medaled, which is a huge percentage of our team, almost 73%!!! Go Wildcats!!

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

Wisdom 7:7-11

Mark 10:17-30

The 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.

The 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. Jesus invited the rich man to follow him. However, the man chooses his treasures on earth instead of the treasure in heaven. Immediately the rich man pays the price of his decision and he 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?

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
St. Mary Parish
Men’s Club Presents

COUNTRY STYLE BREAKFAST

Sunday October 7, 2018
From 8:30am to 11:00am
FREE WILL DONATION
Proceeds to be used for New Parish Sign

50/50 Raffle
1st Prize Half the POT!
2nd Prize Gift Certificate to
PINCKNEY AUTO WASH

AREA’S BEST MENU!
Eggs - Scrambled or Fried
Hash Brown Potatoes
Homemade Biscuits
& Sausage Gravy
Quiche, Pancakes
French Toast
Raisin French Toast
Ham
Pork Sausage Links
Toast-Regular & Raisin
Coffee, Tea, Milk,
& Orange Juice
And of Course the
Waffle Station!

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