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

April 4, 2019

Week –At – A - Glance

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Saturday, April 13, 2019

- 2:00 6th gr. returns from Camp and go home
- 2:50 Stations of the Cross; gr. 5
- 9:00 Bunny Run on Lakeland Trail

**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**

**Monkey Survey:** Please fill out the survey below to let us know your thoughts about volunteering. It will take less than five minutes to complete. You will need to cut and paste it into your browser.

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BXBK78X](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BXBK78X)

**Schoolbelles:** Thank you! Schoolbelles is having its’ annual Customer Appreciation Sale! Save 20% on pants, 25% off monogram items, 30% off hosiery & socks and 50% off backpacks and lunch bags. Also receive FREE shipping on all orders over $100. This sale runs from Sunday, April 7, 2019 through Monday, April 8, 2019 at 11:59 EST. See flyer attached to email.

**Original Works Art Fundraiser**  Dear Parents, In the next few days the students will be bringing home their Original Works Art order form. The online orders are due Wednesday, April 17th. The money raised from the Original Works Art Fundraiser will be used for Art class supplies. Thank you in advance. Mrs. Hamer, Art Teacher mrshamer@stmarypinckney.org

**T.R.I.P.:** Do you have older kids that are gone a lot? Are they constantly asking you for money so they can eat? TRIP has a lot of $10 cards with rebates ranging from 4% up to 8%. Order are being placed Monday morning!!

**Help Needed:** We are in desperate need of volunteers for the parish Fish Fry (next three Fridays) and the Country Style Breakfast (4/7). Even if your child is
not at an age of "needed" service ministry hours, their help is still needed. If you, your child, or your whole family is interested, please see the details below:

**Fish Fry:** Set up starts at noon on Friday and goes until cleanup is done (normally around 9) - help is appreciated for any amount of time between 12-9 (no need to sign up)

**Breakfast:** Setup begins at 7:30am and goes through 11:30am Mass.

Any help you can give during these days/times would be greatly appreciated even if it is just an hour.

**Our next school Mass** will be at the **5:00 Mass time on Saturday, May 11th.** Our 8th grade class will be taking this on as one of their last leadership roles before they graduate on May 30th. It will be wonderful if their Kindergarten buddies could come and be a part of the processional at the beginning of Mass.

**NWEA Spring Testing:** As you see below, spring testing will begin on Monday, April 15 for grades 2-8. It is very important that your students will be in school on Monday and Tuesday, April 15 and 16, so that we can get all of the testing completed before Easter break.

**Looking Ahead:**

**April 5th** Parent Contracts for 2019-2020 school year due.

**April 13th** Bunny Run/Walk 9:00 On Saturday, April 13, we will be having our third annual Bunny Run non-competitive fun run/walk. We will meet at the Lakeland Trail parking lot across from Captain Frosty, and at 9 A.M. we will walk or run for 1 or 2 miles. Snacks will be provided; bring your own refillable water bottle – we are a Green School! Dress for the weather, and be prepared to have fun and be fit! Cost is $1 cash per person; please fill in and return the registration form and your entry fee by Wednesday, April 10. Money raised will be used for school wellness initiatives. Parents who are not participating in the Bunny Run must stay and wait for their children to finish. See you there!

**April 15th and 16th** Spring NWEA Testing for grades 2-8. It is very important that all students be in school on the 15th and 16th for testing to be completed!

**April 15th (if you chose this date)** 2019-2020 School Registration Due

**April 16th** Spring School Pictures (Voluntary) and 2:00 Sports/Club Pictures

**April 17th** 11:00 Living Stations of the Cross performed in the gym

**April 17th** half day of school; Easter break begins at 12:00; April 18-28
May 3rd  Eighth Grade Graduation Pictures taken after Mass

May 10th  Special school lunch Hotdogs!

May 10th  Application for the Tricia T. Berger Music Scholarship Due. See below for more information

May 11th  5:00 Saturday night School Mass; 8th graders and kindergarten buddies!

MAY 17th  7:30 am Donuts w/Grandparents, Mass, Candle and Ribbon Ceremony, 9:45 Spring Music and Band Concert; 2:00 Living Bible History Museum

Enjoy the day today as the weather continues to get warmer each day. Perhaps on Saturday, you can get out and go for a walk or a bike ride as the weather is supposed to get into the 60’s. It will be great to get outside and feel the sunshine on our faces and soak up that wonderful vitamin D we so need.

Peace, Veronica Kinsey

CLASSROOM NEWS

4TH GRADE

Time flies when you’re having fun! And we are having a blast in 4th Grade! It’s hard to believe we only have two more months left of school! We have been so busy.

In Religion we continue to learn about the Ten Commandments, and how we can follow them in our daily lives, especially during this season of Lent. We completed our Social Justice Project, and are preparing for the Living Bible History Museum on May 17th. We are still making rosaries, and will be learning the final step, the Cross Knot, before break!
In Math we are finishing up learning about Long Division. It has been challenging, but once the students got the hang of it they really seemed to enjoy it! We will be working on Fractions next!

In Science, we have learning about different forms of energy. We have been busy making many different experiments, such as, roller cars, chain reaction machines, and flashlights.

In Social Studies we continue to learn about the different regions of the United States. We are finishing up the Western Region, and will be moving on to our final region, the Midwest. The students are very excited to make their State Floats at the end year!

In Language Arts, we continue to work on identifying and using different parts of speech correctly, in our writing, through our study of grammar, vocabulary, and spelling.

In Reading, we are working on our Poetry Unit. We have been learning about different types of poems, reading examples, and writing our own! We’re poets and we didn’t even know it!

We are looking forward to all the upcoming learning experiences, events, and activities the last two months of 4th Grade have to offer!
Virtue of the Week

HUMILITY meaning: Awareness that all our gifts come from God and appreciation for the gifts of others

LOOKS LIKE: Smiling when someone else gets a good grade, Shaking someone’s hand who did a good job, Thinking of others before yourself, Allowing others to go ahead of you in line; taking the last place, Taking time for prayer; particularly a prayer of gratitude

SOUNDS LIKE: You are really good at that! Great job! You did a really good job. Would you like this seat? You can go ahead of me. Jesus, thank you for all the blessings you have given me.

LUKE 9:47–48

But when Jesus perceived the thought of their hearts, he took a child and put him by his side, and said to them, "Whoever receives this child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me; for he who is least among you all is the one who is great."

Project Healthy Schools Wellness Tip: Add more fruit to your diet! At breakfast, top your cereal with bananas, peaches, or strawberries. Add blueberries to pancakes. Drink 100% orange or grapefruit juice. Or, try a fruit mixed with low-fat yogurt. You can also blend yogurt or milk with fruit pieces and crushed ice. Use fresh, frozen, canned, and even overripe fruits. Try bananas, berries, peaches, and/or pineapple. If you freeze the fruit first, you can even skip the ice.

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

Isaiah 43:16-21   John 8:1-11

In this reading from the Old Testament the Israelites are given hope and encouragement during their exile in Babylon. They are told to let go of the things of old because the Lord is giving them a new beginning. God forgives the past transgressions of the Chosen People and offers them new life.
This reading from the book of Isaiah reassures the Israelites that God has not given up on them. They can look forward to what God is about to do on their behalf. After all, they remain God’s Chosen People.

In the Gospel reading, we hear a story about a woman whom the scribes and Pharisees bring before Jesus because she has been accused of adultery. We get the idea that the religious leaders are trying to trick Jesus so that they will have something to accuse him of. They are quick to point out that the Law of Moses says that the woman should be stoned. Jesus’ reaction is brilliant. After writing in the dirt on the ground he stands up and tells them that whoever is without sin can throw the first stone.

Jesus is left standing alone with the woman. He asks her if anyone has condemned her. Then he tells her to go and sin no more. Jesus gives the woman the gift of a new start. She leaves her encounter with Jesus reconciled to God, to her community and to herself.

This Gospel story reveals that God forgives our past sins and loves us unconditionally. This frees us to let go of the past so that we may lead a new life of grace.

- How does the season of Lent help you to start new?
- When have you been given a new start?
- How can you ask for forgiveness during Lent?

Reconciliation

God forgives our sins and loves us unconditionally. In Jesus, this divine love is shown fully. Jesus ate and drank with sinners offering them healing and a new start.

For those who have sinned after Baptism, the Sacrament of Reconciliation offers forgiveness and a new start. The healing brought about by the sacrament helps a person to change. Catholics celebrate repentance and conversion in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

- Why is it important to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation?
- How does celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation help us to become forgiving people?
- Why is the season of Lent a good time to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation?
St. Mary School
Bunny Run
Family Fun Run/Walk

When: Saturday, April 13 at 9:00 AM

Where: Lakeland Trail – park at the trailhead across from Captain Frosty’s Ice Creamery

What: a non-competitive fun run for St. Mary School families; run 1 or 2 miles; dress for the weather!

Cost: $1 cash per person; money raised will go toward school wellness initiatives

We are a Green School – Bring your own refillable water bottle; snack will be provided
St. Mary School Bunny Run

Yes, I want to do the Bunny Run Family Fun Run!

Meet at the Lakeland Trail at the trailhead across from Captain Frosty’s Ice Creamery

Saturday, April 13, 2019 at 9:00 AM

Run 1 or 2 miles for fun and fitness!

Cost: $1 cash per person

We are a Green School – please bring your refillable water bottle.

Snack will be provided. Dress for the weather!

Family participants:

Name___________________________ (Grade _____)

Name___________________________ (Grade _____)

Name___________________________ (Grade _____)

Adult Name _____________________________

If you consent to your child/ren participating in this event, please sign and return this form, with entry fees, by Wednesday, April 10.

Parent/guardian signature: ____________________________

Phone number ____________________________

Date: ____________________________
Parents who are not participating in the Bunny Run must stay and wait for their children to finish. Thanks

ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

QUARTER THREE

HIGH HONORS

John Westerberg  Zach deBeauclair
Patrick Burke   Nathaniel Garbarz

HONORS

Evan Marshke  Finnegan Beecher
Mia Hilliard   Paulina O’Donohue
Erin Stuk      Rhett Vanderwal
Zachary Anderson Connors Burke
Charles Connelly Oliva Domen
Sean Flaherty  Raphaella Gonzalez
Alex McGlade

MAY Salsarita ORDER BELOW DUE WEDNESDAY

APRIL 17, 2019

By 9:00 am
**Wednesday, May 1**
Taco Day with Salad
Soft Ground Beef Taco
**Optional Toppings:**
Lettuce, Cheese, Tomato
**Sides:**
Garden Salad with White Corn
Chips & Mild Salsa
Orange Wedges

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**Wednesday, May 8**
Grilled Chicken Rice Bowl
**Optional Toppings:**
Mexican Rice, Black Beans, Steamed Corn & Cheese
**Sides:**
Chips & Salsa,
Orange Wedges

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**Wednesday, May 15**
Taco Day with Salad
Soft Ground Beef Taco
**Optional Toppings:**
Lettuce, Cheese, Tomato
**Sides:**
Garden Salad with White Corn
Chips & Mild Salsa
Orange Wedges

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**Wednesday, May 22**
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

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**Wednesday, May 29**
Taco Day with Salad
Soft Ground Beef Taco
**Optional Toppings:**
Lettuce, Cheese, Tomato
**Sides:**
Garden Salad with White Corn
Chips & Mild Salsa
Orange Wedges

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Application for the Tricia T. Berger Music Scholarship

The application and essays may be dropped off at the school office or mailed to: St. Mary School, attention Music Scholarship Committee 10601 Dexter-Pinckney Rd. Pinckney, MI 48169. Applications need to be submitted to the committee by Friday, May 10, 2019. Recipients will be notified on or before June 1, 2019.

Name of Applicant: __________________________________________________________

Parent of Applicant: _________________________________________________________

Applicant’s Address __________________________ City _____________________________

Zip Code: __________________________ Contact Number: __________________________

Are you a current student at St. Mary School? __________________ If not, when did you attend St. Mary School? ____________________________________________________________

What grade will you be entering in the fall? ____________________________________

What type of music lessons are you taking? (Please note: You must already be taking lessons to receive a scholarship.) ____________________________________________________________

How long you have been taking lessons? _______________________________________

Please indicate the name and contact number of your current music instructor.
____________________________________________________________________________

What is the cost of each lesson? _______________________________________________

How often do you attend your lessons? ________________________________________

****VERY IMPORTANT**** Please include 2 essays with your application. One essay should be written by the applicant. The applicant should explain why he/she enjoys taking lessons and how these musical experiences have helped him/her as a person. The other essay should be written by a parent of the applicant. The parent essay should explain why they think this musical experience has helped their child and why they would like assistance paying for the experience. Essays may be typed or handwritten. Thank you.

PLEASE NOTE: Applications submitted without essays will not be considered for an award.

IF YOU ARE A PREVIOUS RECIPIENT OF THIS AWARD, please enclose a letter from your instructor along with your essays. The letter should explain how your musical talent has progressed since you received your scholarship.

Signature of Applicant: _____________________________ date: _____________________

Signature of Parent: ______________________________ date: _____________________
St. Mary Parish

Men's Club Presents

FRIDAY
FISH
DINNER

Serving From
4:00-7:00 PM

MENU

• Baked or Beer Battered Fried Fish
• Choice of Potato (French Fries, Scalloped or Baked)
• Beets, Cole Slaw
• Macaroni & Cheese
• Cut Veggies, Jell-O
• Homemade Rolls
• Homemade Desserts
• Milk, Coffee, Tea, Punch

For Our Younger Guests

Individual Size
Cheese Pizza

Join us each Friday during Lent

March 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5, 12

Adults $10.00   Seniors $9.00
Children $5.00 (Under Age 12)
Family $35.00 (Immediate Family Only)

Take-outs Available!

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St Mary Catholic Parish - 10601 Dexter Pinckney Rd - 734-878-3161
St. Mary Parish

Men's Club Presents

COUNTRY STYLE BREAKFAST

Sunday April 7, 2019
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!
Two Chances - 2nd Prize
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!

St Mary Catholic Parish  -  10601 Dexter Pinckney Rd