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
August 29, 2019
Week –At – A - Glance

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<td>Monday, September 2, 2019</td>
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<td>Wednesday, September 4, 2019</td>
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<td>7:00 Parent Back to School Night K-8 begins in the gym</td>
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Saturday, September 7, 2019
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

Office Forms/Paperwork: On the first day of school a family packet came home with all the forms that need to be filled out and returned to the school ASAP. Those forms include Emergency Card, Concussion Form, Photo Release, and Disclosure of Immunization. It is very important that these forms are returned no later than, Tuesday, September 3, 2019. Students are not allowed to participate in ANY physical activity until the concussion form is turned in. (This include recess; state ruling.) If your student has any allergies, the office needs to have a written plan for proper procedures to follow in case of an emergency. Please see Mrs. Smith for the forms.

St. Mary Handbook: Attached to this messenger, you will find a copy of the 2019-2020 St. Mary Handbook. Please take some time to read through and sign the final page indicating that you have done so. Please return signature page by Friday, September 13.

Athletes: If your Athlete is participating in a Fall sport, Volleyball or Cross Country, ALL FORMS AND FEE NEED TO BE TURNED IN TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD for them to be able to participate in practice. (Cross Country parents, please check with Mrs. Stuk about CC fees.)

Buddy Families: If you have been assigned a buddy family, please reach out to them as soon as you are able to touch base and see if they have any questions.

First Day of School Picnic: What a great day for a picnic! Lots of families and students were able to connect and enjoy a fun lunch together. Thanks to all who participated.

Special Lunch: Mrs. Phipps and her team will be back at it again this year providing a special lunch for the kids each month except during Lent when the fish dinners take over. For the month of September, we will have a special lunch on Friday, September 20. The cost is $2.00. The lunch will be a chicken oriental salad with cut snow peas, mandarin oranges, and crispy rice noodles with a poppy seed dressing. Please send in your order with your child’s name and $2.00 in an envelope by Tuesday, September 17.
**Popcorn Person:** Thank you to Mrs. Sample for volunteering to be our Popcorn person!

**Band Class:** For the time being, Mr. Hartman will see only 6-8 graders for the 7:30 band classes. He is working with Mrs. Haberl regarding 5th grade band students. More information will be available to parents and students regarding rental/purchasing instruments.

**Looking Ahead: September 12** is Fall Picture Day. This will be a dress up day; NO JEANS or SWEATPANTS. Students will need to have an order form with money to purchase pictures. **YOU MUST PURCHASE PICTURES TO GET A YEARBOOK.** All Students will get their picture taken regardless of purchase.

**Water Filling Station:** Coming soon to St. Mary School! The filling station has been ordered and we are just waiting for it to be delivered. Thank you to all who helped to make this possible for our school!

Peace, Veronica Kinsey

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**CLASSROOM NEWS**

**UNDER CONSTRUCTION**

**COMING SOON!**
**Virtue of the Week**

**COURTESY** meaning: Treating other people with respect, recognizing that all are made in God’s image and likeness.

**LOOKS LIKE:** Letting others go first, Letting others speak first, Making eye contact, Holding the door for another, Picking up a dropped item for someone

**SOUNDS LIKE:** You can go ahead of me. You can ask your question first. Silence. Let me hold the door for you. Let me get this for you.

**JOHN 20:2–6**

So she ran, and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Peter then came out with the other disciple, and they went toward the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first; and stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in.

**After School Questions:** Asking “How was school today?” might not get you far. Instead, ask questions like these for a better picture of your youngster’s day:

- “What’s the coolest thing that happened? What wasn’t so cool?”
- “Pretend you’re the teacher. How would you describe the day?”
- “What made you laugh?”
• “What was the most creative thing you did?”
• “How were you kind or helpful today? Was anyone kind or helpful to you?”

**Kroger News:** Dear ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL (RC113),
The Kroger Co. Family of Stores is committed to bringing hope and help to the local neighborhoods we call home. Our stores are on a mission to go beyond being a part of the community to also helping create a stronger community. We appreciate your participation in our Community Rewards program to help accomplish that mission!

Please reference our school number, RC113, when contacting Kroger for assistance. New members can enroll by searching for either the **number** or the **name of your organization**. If you have any questions, please email [kcr18@kroger.com](mailto:kcr18@kroger.com) or visit our website at [http://www.kroger.com](http://www.kroger.com).

**Project Healthy Schools Wellness Tip:** More than 70% of your body’s weight is water. Make sure you drink lots of water throughout the day to keep that healthy balance. You can even make your water more exciting. Try adding a slice or lemon, lime, cucumber or watermelon to your water.

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

Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29    Luke 14:1, 7-14

This reading was written at a time when Israel was searching for wisdom and truth. The author writes about God’s ways in the world in order to help the people rely on the wisdom of God over any other source of guidance.

This Old Testament reading brings to light the importance of humility in the sight of God and it warns against being prideful. The point is made that the humble glorify God.

In the Gospel Jesus goes beyond the lesson of humility and includes a lesson in hospitality. Jesus advises his listeners, “when giving a dinner invite the poor, the crippled the lame and blind.” Those who welcome the poor and the outcast will be blessed.

• When have you been humble?
• Why does Jesus warn against being prideful?
• Why does God bless those who help the poor?
**Preferential Option for the Poor**

Christians are called to side with the poor because Scripture tells us that the poor are God’s concern. In our Catholic teaching the Preferential Option for the Poor recognizes that the Church should have a commitment to those most in need.

The Church’s social teaching relies on the notion of the “common good,” which is the understanding that all people have a right to the conditions that allow them to live healthy and fulfilled lives. Working toward the common good includes making accessible to all people basic things such as food, clothing, housing, health, work, education, culture, suitable information, the right to establish a family, privacy, and so on. (CCC 1908)

It is the obligation of all Christians to promote the common good and fight the causes of poverty. We believe that God blesses those who help the poor. When we have compassion for the poor and work for social justice we make God’s love present in the world.

**ST. MARY CHILDREN’S CHOIR**

If you would like your child to have an opportunity to grow musically, sign them up for St. Mary Children’s Choir.

We are looking for students from 3rd-8th grade to join us. Every student who would like to participate must first, have a vocal assessment and be approved for acceptance by the director. The reason for this is to assess musical skill, vocal health, the ability to follow instructions, and mature behavior for Mass. As Catholics we acknowledge the many and varied gifts given to each of us, not all are musically gifted and that is okay. There are also certain times when it is not good for the voice to undergo great strain as the voice is changing.

Children’s choir will rehearse, **Fridays from 3:15-4:00**, in collaboration with the school calendar. Drop off will be directly from St. Mary School or parents may walk them into the church. **Pick up will be at the Main Parish Entrance.**

They will then sing at the Friday all school Masses. Parents will be expected to drop the children off from 8:00-8:10 for warm up on Fridays.

**$15 printing/music purchase fee** for the semester per student (payable first or second day of class; checks should be made out to St. Mary Parish with “children’s choir” in the memo). If a
family has difficulty in paying this, please let me, Kathleen Rea, know and we will work something out.

The choir will be singing on Fridays, occasionally on weekends, and Christmas/Easter!

This choir is also open to homeschooled children. Our first day of Rehearsal will be Friday, September, 6th 2019, @ 3:15.

Please Sign Up.

Please direct any questions or enquiries to Kathleen Rea krea@stmarypinckey.org 734-878-3161
Outdoor MOVIE NIGHT

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th @ SUNDOWN

$1 concessions open at 7:00 p.m.
Pizza, Hotdogs, Popcorn, Candy & Refreshments

BRING A BLANKET, YOUR FAMILY & ENJOY THE SHOW!

Goonies, The Sandlot or E.T.?
Winning movie will be announced at Back-to-School night

Stardust Movie Rentals 20’x24’ screen!

Hosted by St. Mary Social Team

Rain or wind the show will go on...in the St. Mary gymnasium
St. Mary Parish
Men's Club Presents
COUNTRY STYLE BREAKFAST
Sunday September 8, 2019
From 8:30am to 11:00am
FREE WILL DONATION
Proceeds to be used for Parish Kitchen Maintenance

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
Waffle Station!

Introducing the NEW Breakfast Burrito!

St Mary Catholic Parish - 10601 Dexter Pinckney Rd
Costco Representatives will be here at:
St Mary Catholic School
Wednesday, September 4, 2019
From 7:00pm to 8:30pm

Offering the following promotions:

When you join as a new Executive Member at the reception, you’ll receive a

$20.00 Costco Cash Card

Plus a bag filled with our own Kirkland signature products

Our Executive Membership is $120.00 a year. Get paid to shop with an annual 2% Reward (up to $1,000) on qualified purchases as well as additional benefits on Costco Services. This also includes a free household card.

When you join as a new Gold Star Member at the reception, you’ll receive a

$10.00 Costco Cash Card

Our Gold Star Membership is $60 a year and includes a free household card.

Risk-free 100% satisfaction guarantee

On membership: We will refund your membership fee in full at any time if you are dissatisfied.
With a Costco membership you can enjoy low warehouse prices on groceries, gas, electronics, office supplies, prescriptions and more!

**Renew your existing membership during this event and receive a free gift!**

*Costco Bakery Goods will be served during this event as well!*

Costco accepts cash, checks, debit/ATM cards, EBT, Costco & Visa Credit Cards.

Questions? Call Dave Uhrin @ 810-220-8993