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 3, 2019
Week –At – A - Glance

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<td>❖ 8:30 All School Mass; gr. 8&lt;br&gt;❖ First Friday Food Drive&lt;br&gt;❖ Popcorn Day $.50/bag&lt;br&gt;❖ 3:15 Children’s Choir practice</td>
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<td>Saturday, October 5, 2019</td>
<td>❖ 10:30 Hamburg Library Chili Fundraiser</td>
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<td>Monday, October 7, 2019</td>
<td>❖ Morning Prayer; gr. 4&lt;br&gt;❖ 3:30-5:00 Wildbot Robotics&lt;br&gt;❖ 4:30 Girls’ Volleyball home</td>
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<td>Tuesday, October 8, 2019</td>
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<td>Wednesday, October 9, 2019</td>
<td>❖ 8:30 <strong>No MASS TODAY</strong>&lt;br&gt;❖ 3:30-5:00 Wildbot Robotics&lt;br&gt;❖ <strong>3:15-3:45 PTC Meeting</strong>&lt;br&gt;❖ 4:00 Cross Country Meet at St. Paul&lt;br&gt;❖ 6:30 <strong>KNOW</strong> class for grs. 6-8&lt;br&gt;❖ 7:00 Finance Meeting</td>
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<td>Friday, Oct 11, 2019</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**

**Welcome to the Rolling family.** Aiden will be joining our 2nd grade class on Monday. Please introduce yourself when you see them in the school.

**Sunday, October 20th:** The school will be taking on the 11:30 Sunday Mass on Sunday, October 20. If your student would like to help in any way, please email Mrs. Kinsey, mrskinsey@stmarypinckney.org. We will practice on the Friday before so students know what to do. Students will need to be at church at 11:10 that morning.

**Hamburg Library Art Show Chili Lunch:** Saturday, October 5 Thank you to all who have signed up to help! All of the slots have been filled! Wow! This will
be a great opportunity for us to do a service for the community and get our name out there at the same time! Please have all items to the school by Friday morning, October 4th so that Mrs. Kinsey can put the chili together.

Walk-a-thon: We still have money coming into the office, but I would like to thank everyone who was able to help with sponsors for our Walk-a-thon. We were able to raise $4467.00 for our technology fund!

Raffle Tickets: The school raffle tickets are available for pick up. They are located in the school Gathering Space. Please be sure to pick them up so that you have the full opportunity to sell your tickets. Ticket stubs and money will be due back to the office by Monday, December 2nd. Good luck to all who purchase tickets. May the luck of the Irish be with you!

Month of October: The month of October is the month of the Rosary. We will be saying a decade of the rosary each week during this month. If your child has a rosary, please send it with them for the month. If they already know how to use a rosary, great. If not, we will be happy to teach them. After all, that is what we do! 🙂
Relax Alternatives to Anger for Parents and Caregivers: RELAX for parents and caregivers looks at anger and strong emotion in infants, toddlers and preschoolers. Parents gain a better understanding of the developmental stages in children’s self-control. They learn how they can assist children at each stage by using RELAX concepts in daily interactions. This class will take place on Wednesday, October 23 from 6:30-8:00. This is a FREE class, but it will be greatly appreciated if you could call ahead so that materials can be printed and ready to go before hand. This class is open to all families of the school and parish. Feel free to invite your friends. We all need as many tools as we can get in our toolbox! (Unfortunately, I do not have the man-power to provide child care during this time.)

PTC MEETING: *Complete Survey Monkey

*Any Agenda Items for PTC Meeting please submit by Tuesday, October 8th at 9pm

*Children welcome and encouraged to come on in when they are dismissed

-Feel free to bring them a healthy snack and have something for them to do quietly - read a book, draw/color or start homework.

*IF your child has a "buddy" encourage them to sit with their buddies so the younger ones have a helper.

*We will run the meeting in 30 minutes so we can all get out the door!

*Drawing for a $10 gift card for attending!

KNOW: The next class will be Wednesday, October 9 beginning at 6:30. It will be geared for grades 6-8, but feel free to attend for any grade if you need to. After the presentation, parents who attended will be sent the same information that was presented. IF YOU DECIDE TO OPT OUT OF THE PROGRAM YOU MUST SIGN AN OPT OUT FORM AND SUBMIT IT! OPT OUT FORMS CAN BE FOUND AT THE PARISH WEBSITE here:

http://stmarypinckney.org/know-child-safety-program/

Or one has been included at the bottom of this Messenger.
ALL-New Box Tops: Skip the scissors and use the APP! The NEW and improved Box Tops mobile app scans your store receipt, finds participating products and instantly adds Box Tops to your school’s earnings online. No clipping required!

Box Tops is changing to fit today’s families. We are modernizing the Box Tops program for the next generation of participants. Using mobile technology, we can show families how their contributions affects their school in real time.

- More convenient: redeem anywhere, anytime within **14 DAYS OF PURCHASE**
- Easy to use: no more clipping of sending Box Tops to school
- Real time: your school’s earnings are automatically updated online
- Extra Cash: access special bonus offers on top of your everyday Box Tops earnings

HERE’S HOW IT WORKS: Download the APP, Buy Box Top products, SCAN your receipt, EARN cash for your school!

****If you purchase a product that has the cut out version of Box Tops, please cut it out and send it along to the school as we can still sent them in until the Box Top expires.****

**Water Filling Station:** Update: It’s on the way! Thank you to all who helped to make this possible for our school!

Peace, Veronica Kinsey

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**CLASSROOM NEWS**

**FOURTH GRADE**

The start of fourth grade has been a busy and exciting one! We have had so many opportunities to learn and experience many new things!

In Religion, our focus this year will be learning what it means to live like a friend of Jesus, with an emphasis on the Ten Commandments. We have also
started making rosaries with Mrs. Wack. We have learned the correct way to make a knot. We will begin learning how to Altar Serve soon too! We have already had the opportunity to lead Morning Prayer, as well as, a Primary Mass. The students did such a wonderful job! They practiced their parts very hard, and took pride in their roles! It was very impressive to see them step out of their comfort zone, and speak in front of fellow students and parishioners.

In Reading, students participated in their first Book “Tasting.” Our classroom was transformed into a bistro with the main course being different books. The students had five minutes to “taste” their book before they moved on to the next one. In that time they looked at the front cover, read a few pages, and answered questions about the book. Then they rated whether or not they would want to continue reading it. This gave the students the chance to be introduced to a variety of books that they might not normally choose for themselves. The restaurant atmosphere and the chance to try out new books made for a very unique and enjoyable experience for the students! We will also be continuing our study of different genres, and we are working on our first book report!

In Social Studies, we have been learning about what makes a region. Now that the students have background information we will be begin learning about our first region of the United States: the Northeast.

In Language Arts, we have been focusing on grammar, vocabulary, and spelling. In Math, we have been reviewing key concepts, such as, place value, estimation, and rounding. We are working our way up to long division. In Science, we learned about the rock cycle and the Earth’s processes.

Finally, we are pleased to have the opportunity to work with the older Preschool students on Wednesday mornings. We have been helping them with their numbers, alphabet, and other concepts. This has been a great opportunity for the class to help the younger students, and be good role models.

We are looking forward to all the upcoming learning experiences, events, and activities the rest of the school year has to offer!
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;

Dexter Apple Daze Volunteers Needed!

We have an opportunity to create visibility for our school at Apple Daze in Dexter on October 5th. St. Mary is sponsoring a kids tent with games, crafts, and other fun fall activities like an apple toss, pumpkin bowling and more. Apple Daze is in downtown Dexter on Saturday October 5th from 10-5 and features live entertainment, hay rides to the Dexter Cider Mill and even a pie
eating contest!!

We are looking for volunteers to help work the St. Mary kids tent on Saturday. We need 4 -6 parents or older students. Please consider volunteering, you pick the time! Contact Carissa Poroko at 202-369-0699 (text or call) or carissa@tricompr.com if you are interested in helping spread the word about our awesome school!

Last but not least, make sure to take a stroll down “Scarecrow Row” at Apple Daze and cast your vote for Scary Mary, our very own St. Mary scarecrow who will be displayed in the 2nd Annual Scarecrow Decorating Contest!

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**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 or visit our website at [http://www.kroger.com](http://www.kroger.com).
**ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL BY THE NUMBERS**

**Enrollment Week of Sept. 30-Oct. 4, 2019**

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

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4  Luke 17:5-10

In this Old Testament reading the prophet Habakkuk questions God. The prophet asks why God allows evil to flourish in the world while good people suffer. It is clear that the violence and destruction that surrounds Habakkuk troubles him. Out of desperation the prophet cries out to God for help. God answers Habakkuk and tells him to write down the vision he receives and to trust that his prayers will be answered in their own time. The prophet is encouraged to have faith and to press forward trusting in God.

In the Gospel Jesus teaches his disciples about faith. Using the example of a tiny mustard seed, Jesus makes the point that even the smallest amount of faith can enable one to do amazing things. The Gospel passage goes on to compare the disciples with servants or slaves. Jesus challenges his disciples to reach beyond just following rules and doing what is expected of them. Jesus makes it clear that if the disciples do only what is required of them, they have only done the minimum. Faith enables those who follow Jesus to go beyond doing the minimum and to actively spread peace, justice, and love throughout the world.

- Do you have faith that God will answer your prayers?
- How is your faith like a mustard seed?
- What does faith in God help you to do?

The Sacrament of Holy Orders

Through Baptism and Confirmation all believers are anointed in the common priesthood to share in Christ’s work as priest, prophet, and king. The common priesthood empowers the faithful to spread God’s love, peace, and justice throughout the world.

In the Catholic Church there is a difference between the common priesthood of all believers and the ordained priesthood. The ordained priesthood is conferred by the sacrament of Holy Orders. In the sacrament of Holy Orders bishops, priests, and deacons are ordained to serve the whole Church.
The Gospel in Life

This week share your sentence of encouragement (from the opening activity) with someone who needs it.

COME STAND FOR LIFE

Sunday
October 6, 2019
2–3 PM
Pinckney Town Square along M-36

LIFE CHAIN is a peaceful, prayerful, legal, family friendly, nationwide PRO-LIFE demonstration! Members of communities throughout the nation will be forming a virtual life chain across the country on this day in support of life.

Take a stand for life with hundreds of others in this visual statement against abortion. We will line the sidewalks of Main Street in Pinckney. Friendly signs will be available at the Gazebo in the town square. Feel free to bring folding chairs. Come rain or shine and bring a friend.

Donations are welcome to Pregnancy Help Clinic in Brighton.
Contact for more information:
* Debby Dugan, Trinity Lutheran Church, 734.255.7264
* Dale Pepper, St. Mary Catholic Church, 734.878.9454
Please DO NOT park your car on Main St. in downtown Pinckney.

“Do not be afraid.” MT 14:27
Together with Christ, we can make a difference!
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SAINT MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL
10601 Dexter-Pinckney RD
Pinckney, MI 48169
734-878-5616  Fax: 734-878-2383

mrskinsey@stmarypinckney.org

kNOw Opt-out Form

Family Name: ______________________________________________________________

Please Print

Student Name: ____________________________________________________________

Grade: __________________________________________

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Parent Signature
St. Mary Parish
Men’s Club Presents

Euchre

Saturday, October 19, 2019

Registration begins at 6:00pm
$10 per person
Fee covers food and beverages
Players must be least 18 year of age

Play starts at 7:00pm
Top Prize $100

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

Men’s Club Presents

COUNTRY STYLE BREAKFAST

Sunday October 6, 2019
From 8:30am to 11:00am
FREE WILL DONATION

Proceeds to be used for Parish Kitchen Remodel

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!

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