

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

March 11, 2021

Week –At – A - Glance

Friday, March 12, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 8:30 All School Mass; gr. 4 ❖ Used book Sale \$.25 ea. Or 5/\$1 ❖ School Reconciliation grs. 2, 4, 6, 7 ❖ Vision and Hearing Screening ❖ 2:45 Stations of the Cross; gr.5 ❖ 4:30 JV Boys' Basketball tournament begins ❖ Fish Dinner Carry out only \$10
Monday, March 15, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Morning Prayer; Mrs. Kinsey ❖ 7:30 Band grs. 6-8 ❖ Used book Sale \$.25 ea. Or 5/\$1
Tuesday, March 16, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Dress Down Day \$1.00 ❖ 7:30 Band grs. 6-8 ❖ Used book Sale \$.25 ea. Or 5/\$1 ❖ 6:00 Education Team Meeting
Wednesday, March 17, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 8:30 Primary Mass; gr. 3 ❖ Used book Sale \$.25 ea. Or 5/\$1 ❖ 6:00 Youth Group Meeting
Thursday, March 18, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 7:30 Band grs. 6-8 ❖ 9:00 Fish Dinner Preorders w/\$ due

	❖ Used book Sale \$.25 ea. Or 5/\$1 ❖ 3 rd Gr. Reconciliation
Friday, March 19, 2021	❖ 8:30 All School Mass; gr. 4 ❖ St. Mary School Scholarship Due ❖ Used book Sale \$.25 ea. Or 5/\$1 ❖ End of the 3 rd Marking Period ❖ ½ Day of School; Noon dismissal ❖ Fish Dinner Carry out only \$10

LUNCH INFORMATION

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

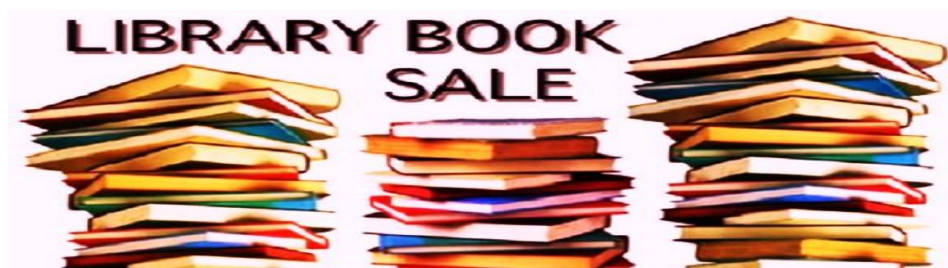
Grades 3-5 Lunch 12:05

Grades K-2 Lunch 12:25

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

Principal Notes

Fish Fry Update: Thank you to EVERYONE who has been able to help out these past three Fridays! It has been a lot of team work, learning, adjusting, and adjusting again to get things moving! The students have been doing a great job taking dinner orders and getting the dinners out to the cars in a timely manner! The first week of tips was \$380.30, the second week was \$497.00, and the third week was \$581.90!



The Fifth Grade Used Book Sale begins this Monday, March 1st. This year the sale will take place in the school library. Students are welcome to purchase books during their weekly scheduled library time. The sale will run throughout

Take it to Christ Encourage in Faith Speak the Truth

the month of March. **The cost of each book is just 25 cents or 5 for \$1.00.** All proceeds will be used to purchase new library books. Thank you!

Don't forget to sign up to help at the Fish Fry Dinners!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4caeaf2baaf4c07-fish>



Fish Dinners: Thank you to all who have already signed up to help. The February sign up looks great, but we need more hands to help in March! Please consider helping our school earn this much need scholarship money. Bring a friend and have fun while helping out!

Please see the sign up genius today below to see where you can help!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4caeaf2baaf4c07-fish>

IF we can get 75% of our school families to volunteer, the school students will have a most coveted PJ Day!

St. Mary School Scholarship is now available. If you are in need of financial assistance, please email Mrs. Kinsey, mrskinsey@stmarypinckney.org, for an application. Please note that all applications will be

Take it to Christ Encourage in Faith Speak the Truth

kept in strict confidence. The deadline for this application is Friday, March 19, 2021. You will need a copy of your latest W2 along with the application. All paperwork must be turned in for the application to be considered.



CLASSROOM NEWS

MRS. HOUK'S THIRD GRADE

Greetings from Third Grade!

We are enjoying the warmer and sunnier weather as we progress through our Lenten journey. Third grade is in charge of a couple of Masses this month and Reconciliation is in a week. We have been trying to “fill each other’s buckets,” too. Each day we ask ourselves how this journey is helping us to love God more.



Take it to Christ

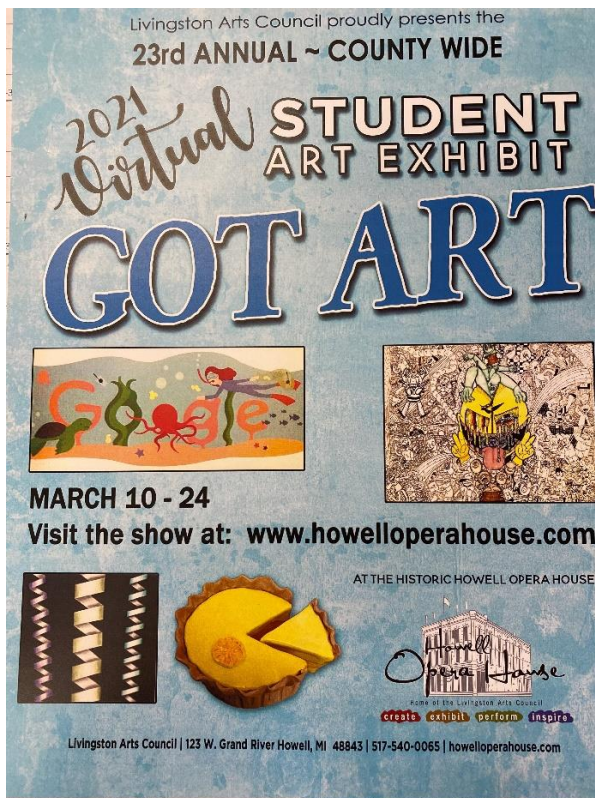
Encourage in Faith

Speak the Truth

We are getting towards the end of *The Trumpet of the Swan* book. Soon we will watch the video and write a compare/contrast paper. We will discuss and debate which medium is better: book or video. Next week we will be presenting book reports.



In Science, we have been learning about weather and climate. However, we did take a break this week and made DIY balloon stress balls. The original recipe was too thick and it was hard to get the baking soda and hair conditioner mixture into the balloon. On the next try we used more conditioner, which was easier, but also, messier. In fact, a few of the stress balls “exploded.” While figuring out what other ingredients we could possibly use, we learned a lot about teamwork and how to help each other clean up. Great fun in the third grade!



The following students have Art work in the virtual show:

K: Joey E., Vinny P.

1st grade- Hayden R., Addy J.

2nd grade- Lilliana K., Camryn S., Skylar Mc.

3rd grade- Anna A., Maggie B.

4th grade- Austin K., Brooke W.

5th grade- Charlotte H., Rylee B., Addy A.

6th grade- Olivia M.

7th grade- Aiden J., Norah S.

8th grade- Olivia D., Sean F.

Olivia Domen's artwork is on display in the Opera House window.

Take it to Christ

Encourage in Faith

Speak the Truth

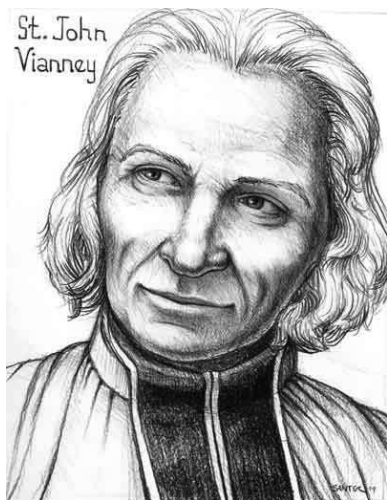
FYI

Virtue of the Month:

Mercy: meaning: caring for those who suffer.

“Blessed are the merciful, they shall obtain mercy” (Matthew 5:7). Whenever we are hurting—either through our own fault or because something bad has happened to us—we want relief...we want MERCY! Jesus has told us that we must show mercy in two ways: physically (for the body) and spiritually (for the soul). When we feed someone who is hungry, we show mercy; when we forgive someone who has hurt us, we show mercy. Jesus showed us this mercy when He forgave sins (spiritual) and cured the sick (physical). As Jesus did, so we must do. Blessed are the MERCIFUL!

Saint of the Month for Preschool to grade 2: Saint John Vianney. Feast day is August 4th



Saint John Vianney spent hours and hours hearing peoples' Confessions so they could receive the mercy of Jesus and be happy.

Saint of the Month for grades 3-5: Saint Faustina. Feast Day is October 5th



Saint Faustina grew up in a big family in Poland and joined the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy when she was a young woman. She was always mindful of how others suffered and wanted to help them. She offered many sacrifices, sufferings, and prayers for souls who needed God's mercy. Many times she did not know the souls for whom she was suffering. On February 22, 1931, Our Lord appeared to

St. Faustina in a vision and instructed her to paint Him as He appeared to her and include the motto, "Jesus, I trust in you." He wanted her to proclaim the message of His mercy—Divine Mercy—to the whole world, which she faithfully did until her death.

Saint of the Month for Middle School: Saint Teresa of Calcutta. Feast Day is September 5th.

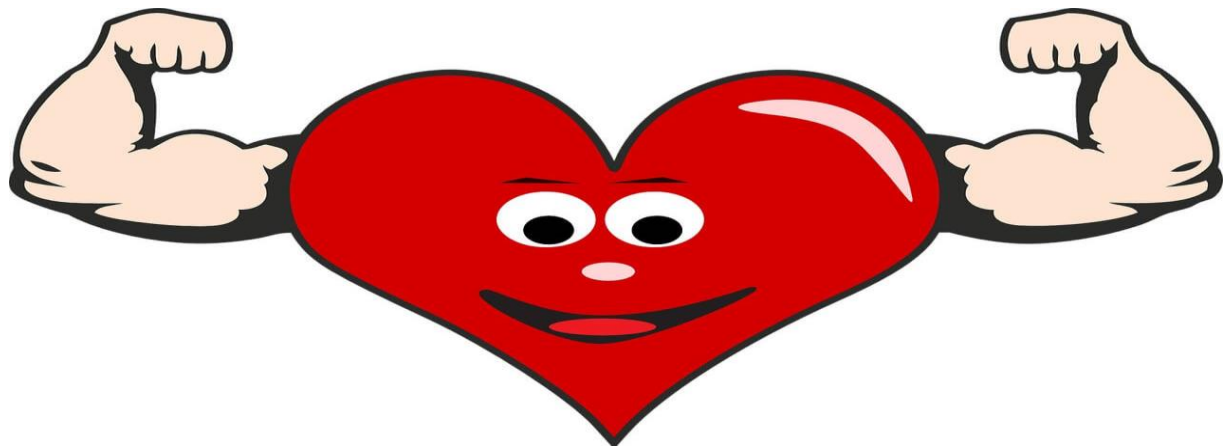


"At the end of our lives, we will not be judged by...how many great things we have done. We will be judged by 'I was hungry and you gave me to eat. I was naked and you clothed me. I was homeless and you took me in.'" Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu was born in the country of Albania and left home at the age of 18 to join the Sisters of Loreto as a missionary. By 1929, she was assigned to a girls' school in Calcutta, India, where she spent many happy years teaching. It was in 1946 that she experienced an encounter with Christ that led her to dedicate her life to serving the poorest of the poor in imitation of the mercy of Jesus. With permission, she left her religious community, trading the habit of the Sisters of Loreto for a plain white sari

bordered with blue. Very soon, young Indian women came to join her—including some of her former students—and her new community became

Take it to Christ Encourage in Faith Speak the Truth

known as the Missionaries of Charity. Throughout the remainder of her life, Mother Teresa and her Missionaries of Charity would spread the mercy of Christ throughout the world, attending to the needs of the most abandoned and neglected of our brothers and sisters.



Project Healthy Schools: Making sure your heart is in tip top shape is essential for living a healthy life. Get 30-60 minutes of physical activity most days of the week! This fills you with energy and makes your heart healthier.

Jesus was
in a small group.
I'm just sayin'...
(Life change happens in small groups)

Small Groups:

St. Mary is launching Lenten Communities as a way to prepare for Easter and Pentecost by reading and discussing the Sunday Gospel. We have a couple of groups running in the school that have room for more participants. Or you can start your own! You will read the readings, pray with the Gospel using *lectio divina* (we will provide instructions), and then discuss the provided questions for the Gospel. All you need to do is find a partner to help you lead (optional), ask three or four more friends to join you, pick a day/time/location, and

Take it to Christ Encourage in Faith Speak the Truth

submit the information to Sarah Salow at ssalow@stmarypinckney.org. The Spirit will guide your prayer and discussion, and we provide the format and questions! The entire time commitment should be about an hour a week with minimal to no preparation.

Eucharistic Miracle Exhibition

Coming Soon to Holy Spirit Parish Brighton - March 13-21: Vatican International Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles

The Vatican International Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles is an extensive collection of photographs and historical records presenting a sampling of ancient and modern Eucharistic Miracles which have occurred in various parts of the world. All these miracles have been approved by the Catholic Church as legitimate miracles. But what is a Eucharistic Miracle? A Eucharistic miracle is some extraordinary event or phenomenon which manifests the Real Presence of Jesus in the consecrated bread and wine in a way that we can discern with our ordinary senses. The manifestation may be as simple as a host floating on air, or as astonishing as a host becoming visible human flesh! Please plan to attend with your family and friends. *Saturday, March 13 through Sunday, March 21. Saturdays' 9a-6p, Sundays 10:00a-4p, Weekdays 9a-4p. Holy Spirit Parish, 9565 Musch Rd, Brighton, MI. 810-231-9199.*

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

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 John 3:14-21

In the Old Testament reading God shows mercy and compassion for the people of Israel. By God's grace, Israel's return from exile is made possible. Because the people of Israel chose to turn away from their relationship with God, they suffered disasters and misfortunes. This passage shows that God does not forget the chosen people. Permission to return to the land and to rebuild the temple is a sign of God's grace and reconciliation.



The gospel reveals why God sent Jesus into the world. The world is in need of healing so God sent his only Son, so that the world might be saved through him. God sent Jesus to give eternal life to all those who believe in him. This gospel makes clear that it is our choice to either believe in or reject Jesus. We bring judgment upon ourselves by choosing darkness rather than light. Both Old and New Testament readings remind us that God is merciful and kind. God's grace makes living in the light possible for all believers.

- Why doesn't God forget the people of Israel?
- How did God show love for the world?
- How can we show that we believe in Jesus?

Grace

We believe that grace is God's gift to us. It is undeserved and freely given. Grace helps us to respond to God who calls us to live as his children. As children of God, God's own divine nature and eternal life are part of us. Grace is our participation in the life of God. God's gift of grace helps us live as children of God.

God's tremendous love for us and the many graces we have received, cannot be measured. We are led by grace to praise God and offer thanks.



Sacrament Connection

Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we become members of Christ's body, the Church. We are joined to Jesus Christ and to God the Father. By grace we are gifted with the life of the Spirit. The grace we are given in baptism makes us holy, and heals us of sin.

The Gospel in Life

How can you bring the light of Christ to others this week?

Take it to Christ Encourage in Faith Speak the Truth



**Drive thru and carry out a sensational,
fish dinner any Friday during Lent!**

Two Menu Options:

1. Bated & Baked

Baked fish,
au gratin potatoes (GF),
mac & cheese,
coleslaw, dessert

2. Fried on Friday

Fried fish,
french fries,
mac & cheese,
coleslaw, dessert

**4-7pm Fridays
During Lent
February 19 & 26
March 5, 12, 19, 26**



**10601 Dexter Pinckney Road
734-878-3161**

Cash, check or credit card accepted – Visa, MasterCard, American Express

Fish Fry 2021 Order Form

After School Pick UP

Family Name _____

_____ **Baked Fish** Includes Au Gratin potatoes (Gluten Free), Mac n'Cheese,
Coleslaw and Snickerdoodle

_____ **Fried Fish** Includes French fries, Mac n'Cheese, Coleslaw and
Snickerdoodle

_____ X \$10.00 = _____

Please have Order and Payment turned into office NO LATER than THURSDAY (9:00 a.m.)

No Substitutions/Deletions are permitted as meals will be packaged according to the latest health and safety standards.

Pick-Up will be at the gym door at 3:30 p.m. You will pick your children up in usual fashion and then pull around to the gym entrance. There you will be greeted and handed your order; without having to get out of your car.

Take it to Christ Encourage in Faith Speak the Truth

Irish Youth Football Camp



Details:

- When: July 19th, 20th, and 21st from 11am-1pm @ the FGR football field
- Includes: Offense, Defense, and Special Teams. Coaching from FGR coaching staff/varsity players plus a free t-shirt
- What to Bring: cleats, water bottle, and a great attitude!
- Cost: \$45

Register Today!

@<https://fgrirish.com/football-summer-camp-registration/>