

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 22, 2021

### Week –At – A - Glance

Friday, April 23, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ 8:30 All School Mass; gr. 6</li> <li>❖ <b>Spring Pictures; \$ or prepaid only</b></li> <li>❖ <b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade GRADUATION picture</b></li> <li>❖ 3:15 Tour; Mallie Family</li> </ul>
Monday, April 26, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Morning Prayer; Mrs. Kinsey with 1<sup>st</sup> grade helpers</li> <li>❖ 7:30 Band grs. 6-8</li> <li>❖ NWEA TESTING BEGINS GR. 2-8</li> </ul>
Tuesday, April 27, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Spirit Wear Day</b></li> <li>❖ 7:30 Band grs. 6-8</li> <li>❖ NWEA Testing continues gr. 2-8</li> <li>❖ 6:00 Education Team Meeting via Zoom</li> <li>❖ 4:30 and 5:30 Girls' Basketball away</li> </ul>
Wednesday, April 28, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ 7:30 Middle School Mass; gr. 8</li> <li>❖ 6:30-8:00 2<sup>nd</sup> Gr. First Holy Communion Practice</li> </ul>
Thursday, April 29, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>FREE HOT DOG LUNCH</b></li> <li>❖ 7:30 Band grs. 6-8</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ NWEA Make-up Testing</li> <li>❖ Tour; Shinavier family</li> <li>❖ 4:30 and 5:30 Girls' Basketball game Home</li> </ul>
Friday, April 30, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ 8:30 All School Mass; gr. 3</li> <li>❖ NWEA Make-up Testing</li> </ul>

## **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*



St. Mary Catholic School is hosting a Spring Book Fair online! This is a great opportunity to buy books for children and young adults to read over the summer. Profits made by the book fair will benefit the St. Mary Catholic School Library! The fair runs from April 19th to May 2nd. Join the book fair online at

**<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/stmaryschool2021>**

**Thank you for supporting our Library!**

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## *SPRING PICTURES TIME IS HERE*

**SPRING PICTURES WILL TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY, APRIL 23. ONLY THOSE WHO ORDER ONLINE OR HAVE AN ORDER FORM WILL GET THEIR PICTURES TAKEN. THEY ONLY SENT ABOUT 25 ORDER FORMS. PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO GO ONLINE TO ORDER AT [WWW.SCHOOLPICTUES.COM](http://WWW.SCHOOLPICTUES.COM) AND USE THE CODE 3926. A COMPLETED LIST OF BACKGROUNDS AND ALL OPTIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE THERE.**



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## Order Online:

using your school ID at  
SCHOOLPICTURES.COM

**AA3926**



Print and enclose receipt in order envelope and bring to Picture Day.

Online ordering will close at midnight the evening before scheduled picture day.

or

## Order at Picture Day:

Enclose check or money order for the exact amount and return envelope on Picture Day.

Please make checks payable to:  
SCHOOLPICTURES.COM

**APRIL 23, 2021** St. Mary School (Pinckney)  
Online access key: 3CZB245H

**FREE! Digital download with purchase of \$30 or more**  
\*Please Note: A download link will be sent to the email provided\*

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- 1 - 8x10
- 2 - 5x7
- 4 - 3.5x5
- 1 - **PERSONALIZED** Fun Pack 10
- 1 - **PERSONALIZED** 11oz. Ceramic Mug

**\$45**

2

- 1 - 8x10
- 2 - 5x7
- 16 - Wallets w/
- 1 - **PERSONALIZED** Fun Pack 1

3

- 2 - 5x7
- 4 - 3.5x5
- 8 - Wallets w/
- 1 - **PERSONALIZED** Fun Pack 1

4

- 2 - 5x7
- 8 - Wallets w/year (2.5x3.5)
- 1 - Fun Pack 8

**\$29**

5

- 1 - 8x10

**\$12**

6

- 2 - 5x7

**\$12**

7

8 -



- Fun Pack 8**
- Flexible Magnets
- 2 - 5x7
- 1 - 2.5x2.5
- 4 - 2.5x3.5

**\$15**



- Fun Pack 9**
- 1 - **PERSONALIZED** 11oz. Ceramic Mug
- Customized to your choice of background

**\$13**



### Fun Pack 10

- 1 - 5x7
- 4 - Wallets (2.5x3.5)
- 3 - Exchanges (1.75x2.5)
- 2 - Bookmarks
- 1 - 3.5x5
- 1 - ID Card

**\$15**



### Fun Pack 11

- 1 - 5x7 Photo Slate
- 1 - Phone Grip
- 1 - Photo Keychain
- Choice of: Swirl, Rectangle, or Heart

**\$29**



### 6x8 Glass Print with Metal Stand

Photo printed directly on glass with included metal stand!

**\$26**



**Engraved Mirror Frame**  
Personalized with student's name and school - 4x6 Photo Included

**\$18**



**5x7 Photo Slate**  
Includes display stand

**\$18**



**Phone Grip**  
Expandable phone grip and stand

**\$12**



**Metal Ornaments**  
Choice of: Snowflake, Star, Heart or Circle

**\$10**



**Metal Magnets**  
2x3 metal magnets

2 Magnets **\$10** 4 Magnets **\$18**



**Photo Keychain**  
Choice of: Swirl, Rectangle, or Heart

**\$10**

**DON'T FORGET...**

Only students who bring a paid order or online receipt on picture day will have their picture taken.



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... or choose from over 350 backgrounds online

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**8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GRADUATION PICTURES WILL BE TAKEN ON FRIDAY, APRIL 23. STUDENTS SHOULD COME DRESSED FOR THIS PICTURE. THEY CAN CHANGE AFTERWARDS IF NEEDED.** At this time, St. Mary School will provide one composite to 8<sup>th</sup> grade families free of charge.



**MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> WARM WEATHER DRESS CODE BEGINS. STUDENTS WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED TO WEAR UNIFORM TOPS AND BOTTOMS DURING SCHOOL. We have been relaxed with hoodies/flannel shirts etc. this school year**



because they did not have hooks or cubbies to put things in. We will totally follow the dress code for the months of May and June.



**COMING THIS WEEK SPECIAL HOT LUNCH FOR STUDENTS:** hot dog, mac n cheese, au gratin potato lunch. Thursday, April 29<sup>th</sup>!! (Students who do not wish to participate should bring their own lunch.) **PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN DRINK.**

Thank you to the Men's club and Mrs. Phipps for providing this lunch for our students! We love when you cook for us 😊



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It seems that we continue to be bombarded by challenging news and it seems that the entire world is against us (Catholics.) This article was a great reminder about a Great Saint and how he responded.

<https://www.ncregister.com/commentaries/in-a-world-gone-mad-what-would-st-john-paul-do>



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# **CLASSROOM NEWS**

## **A MESSAGE FROM MR. HAYES TO EIGHTH GRADE PARENTS & STUDENTS**

Dear 8th Grade parents,

Two weeks ago I sent home a notice for students to start to bring in photos for the 8th grade graduation presentation. We have discussed this in great length too. When we return from break the students need to have photos of their choice that span their kindergarten through 8th grade school years. The first week back, they will need to have at least 5 photographs to work on with a goal of 9 or 10 photos altogether. We will be color correcting, cropping, and editing the photos during class time. They can easily upload photos to their student Google Drive if the photos are in digital format. If the student needs to scan a print, they can bring them into school and use our scanner or if they have access to a phone there is a terrific app called PhotoScan (by Google) that allows to easily scan a photograph.

Thank you for your help.

Scott Hayes, Technology Educator, [mrhayes@stmarypinckney.org](mailto:mrhayes@stmarypinckney.org)

## **MRS. HOUK'S THIRD GRADE CLASS**

For Earth Day the third graders went outside to our Trail of Thorns and picked up garbage to help beautify the trail. Thank you Third graders for taking care of God's earth!



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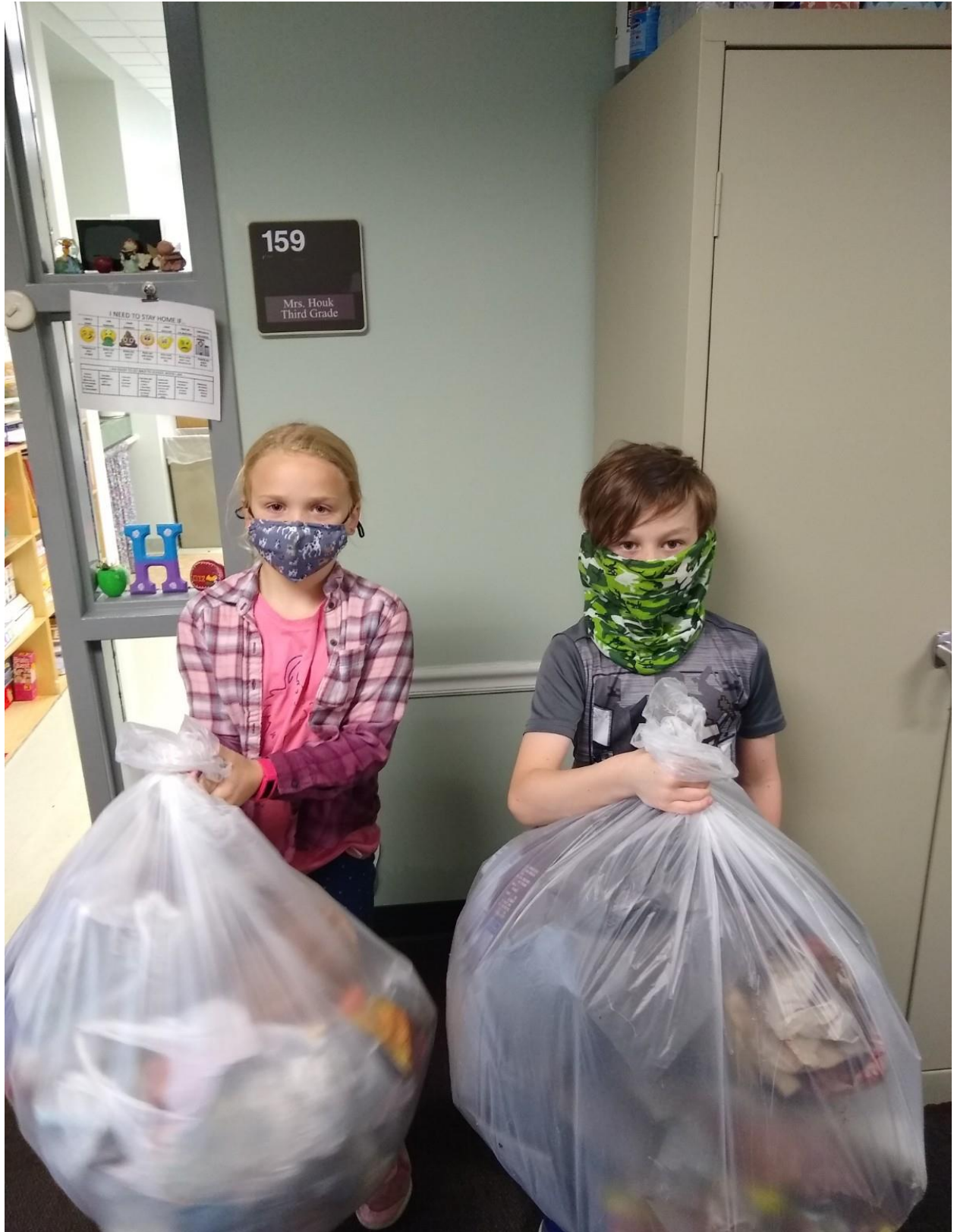
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# MR. HAYES' TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

Happy Spring! With the end of school year approaching, in technology class, we are working on a variety of projects that combine different aspects learned throughout the year.



In kindergarten, first, and second grades we will continue to use our typing skills to create a Microsoft Word document and a PowerPoint slideshow. The 3rd and 4th grade students will be working on a poem project that combines drawing on the computer and recording their voice to make a movie. The 5th grade students are working on a story-making website that allows them to create a book with illustrations to enhance their story. The 6th and 7th grade had a “research test” which they will learn today whether their skills of finding information goes beyond just skimming the surface. They will start a multimedia presentation next week.

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The 8th grade students will be using photo editing software to correct color/lighting issues, fix red-eye, and crop photos that will be used for the 8th grade graduation presentation. Please help your 8th grader select photos and have them available in class. It will be sad to have students missing from the presentation. Looking forward to a strong and healthy finish with the students!

Scott Hayes, Technology Educator, [mrhayes@stmarypinckney.org](mailto:mrhayes@stmarypinckney.org)

## **MR. HARTMAN'S MUSIC CLASSES**

This has certainly been an interesting year regarding music classes at St. Mary. Although students have not been able to participate in a "hands on" fashion due to Covid, I believe they have learned much musically, and have hopefully enjoyed it. I am hopeful that next year will be more "normal," which will allow students more opportunities to sing and play various classroom instruments. I believe music learning is an integral part of a complete education. Nearly everyone enjoys music, whether by listening to it, singing, or playing an instrument. Read on to learn why music education is so important, and how it offers benefits even beyond itself.

1. Musical training helps develop language and reasoning: Students who have early musical training will develop the areas of the brain related to language and reasoning. The left side of the brain is better developed with music, and songs can help imprint information on young minds.
2. A mastery of memorization: Even when performing with sheet music, student musicians are constantly using their memory to perform. The skill of memorization can serve students well in education and beyond.
3. Students learn to improve their work: Learning music promotes craftsmanship, and students learn to want to create good work instead of mediocre work. This desire can be applied to all subjects of study.
4. Increased coordination: Students who practice with musical instruments can improve their hand-eye coordination. Just like playing sports, children can develop motor skills when playing music.
5. A sense of achievement: Learning to play pieces of music on a new instrument can be a challenging, but achievable goal. Students who master even the smallest goal in music will be able to feel proud of their achievement.



6. Kids stay engaged in school: An enjoyable subject like music can keep kids interested and engaged in school. Student musicians are likely to stay in school to achieve in other subjects.
7. Success in society: Music is the fabric of our society, and music can shape abilities and character. Students in band or orchestra are less likely to abuse substances over their lifetime. Musical education can greatly contribute to children's intellectual development as well.
8. Emotional development: Students of music can be more emotionally developed, with empathy towards other cultures They also tend to have higher self-esteem and are better at coping with anxiety.
9. Students learn pattern recognition: Children can develop their math and pattern-recognition skills with the help of musical education. Playing music offers repetition in a fun format.
10. Better SAT scores: Students who have experience with music performance or appreciation score higher on the SAT. One report indicates 63 points higher on verbal and 44 points higher on math for students in music appreciation courses.
11. Fine-tuned auditory skills: Musicians can better detect meaningful, information-bearing elements in sounds, like the emotional meaning in a baby's cry. Students who practice music can have better auditory attention, and pick out predictable patterns from surrounding noise.
12. Music builds imagination and intellectual curiosity: Introducing music in the early childhood years can help foster a positive attitude toward learning and curiosity. Artistic education develops the whole brain and develops a child's imagination.
13. Music can be relaxing: Students can fight stress by learning to play music. Soothing music is especially helpful in helping kids relax.
14. Musical instruments can teach discipline: Kids who learn to play an instrument can learn a valuable lesson in discipline. They will have to set time aside to practice and rise to the challenge of learning with discipline to master playing their instrument.
15. Preparation for the creative economy: Investing in creative education can prepare students for the 21st century workforce. The new economy has created more artistic careers, and these jobs may grow faster than others in the future.

16. Development in creative thinking: Kids who study the arts can learn to think creatively. This kind of education can help them solve problems by thinking outside the box and realizing that there may be more than one right answer.

17. Music can develop spatial intelligence: Students who study music can improve the development of spatial intelligence, which allows them to perceive the world accurately and form mental pictures. Spatial intelligence is helpful for advanced mathematics and more.

18. Kids can learn teamwork: Many musical education programs require teamwork as part of a band or orchestra. In these groups, students will learn how to work together and build camaraderie.

19. Responsible risk-taking: Performing a musical piece can bring fear and anxiety. Doing so teaches kids how to take risks and deal with fear, which will help them become successful and reach their potential.

20. Better self-confidence: With encouragement from teachers and parents, students playing a musical instrument can build pride and confidence. Musical education is also likely to develop better communication for students.

Thanks for all you do to support our music program at St. Mary.

Mr. Hartman, Music Director [mrhartman@stmarypinckney.org](mailto:mrhartman@stmarypinckney.org)





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Contact Name

Contact Number

Email

Company Name - (Optional)

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- ☐ Par Sponsorship \$150
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- ☐ Eagle Sponsorship \$400
- ☐ Ace Sponsorship \$550

- ☐ Check Enclosed to: St Mary's School
- ☐ Please Email Invoice for Payment



## GOLF SPONSORSHIP TIERS

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2'x2' Sign with Name/ Logo

**Birdie • \$300**

Golf Event Area  
Sponsorship & Sign

**Eagle • \$400**

Hole Sponsorship  
w/ Foursome of Golfers

**Ace • \$550**

Golf Event Area Sponsorship  
w/ Foursome of Golfers

*Register by April 30th!*



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# DERBY GOLF OUTING & *Gala*

**MAY 13, 2021**



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St. Mary Pinckney is

# Off to the Races!

at the

## Derby Golf & Gala

Saturday, May 15, 2021



**Whispering Pines Golf Club**

2500 Whispering Pines Drive • Pinckney

### Charity Golf Outing \$65

4-person scramble

\$65 includes: 18 holes, cart, lunch, games

Derby theme cart decorating contest!

8AM Registration / 9AM Shotgun Start



**Derby  
Hat  
Contest!**

### Gala Dinner \$100

\$100 includes dinner & open bar

Run for the Rosary & other games

Putting green & derby dance party!

5:30-11:30PM



*Combo ticket for both events: \$150*

*Register for one or both at:*

[stmarypinckney.org/derbygalagolf](http://stmarypinckney.org/derbygalagolf)

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Proceeds benefit St. Mary School

Don't wait to register! Spacing is limited at both outdoor events.

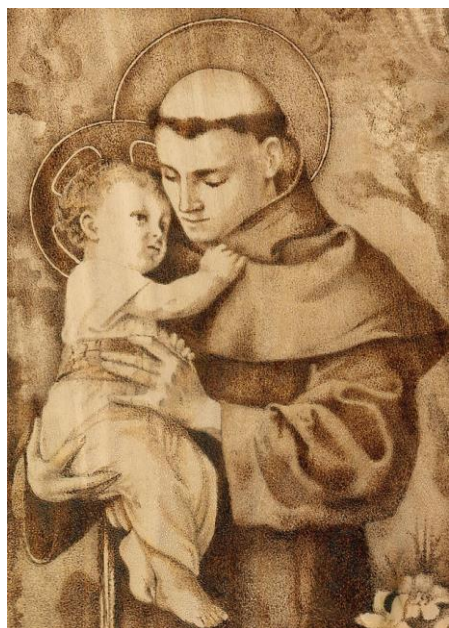
# FYI

## Virtue of the Month:

**Justice:** meaning: being fair and giving each his due

“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 Anthony of Padua Feast day June 13.



Saint Anthony joined the brother who followed the example of Saint Francis of Assisi, the Franciscans. He became very famous for his preaching. After his death, St. Anthony became well-known for his justice, because when a book of his was lost, he prayed that he would find it. The truth was, it had been stolen—and when St. Anthony prayed, the thief brought it back!

**Saint of the Month** for grades 3-5: Saint Katharine Drexel. Feast day is March 3





Even though Saint Katharine was born into a very wealthy family, she was always taught to love and help the poor. When she grew up, when inherited a large portion of her family's fortune. Moved by her deep faith in God and the injustice suffered by many people in this country, she started the Sisters of Blessed Sacrament to help teach the Native Americans and African Americans, who were denied a good education because of their race. She helped start many schools for Native Americans and African Americans in 13 different states including Xavier University in New Orleans.

**Saint of the Month** for Middle School: Saint Thomas More; feast day is June 22.



Louis Lalor St. Thomas More 2006 Parliament House NSW 16 size bronze

Scholar. Lawyer. Writer. Lord Chancellor of England. Husband. Father. Martyr. As one who laid down his life rather than support an unjust law that would have him deny his faith, St. Thomas More exemplified the words of Psalm 19, "The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart...the statutes of the Lord are true, all of them just." The son of a well-known lawyer, Thomas More was given an excellent education as a young man and served as an assistant to the Archbishop of Canterbury while he was still a teen. Married, widowed, and remarried, he was the father of three daughter and a son. At a time when education was generally denied to women, Thomas broke with custom and ensured that all of his children were well versed in the classics and fluent in Greek and Latin. As a public servant with a great reputation for honesty and fairness and considered one of the most brilliant men of his day, St. Thomas rose through the ranks to eventually become one of King Henry

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VIII's most trusted advisors. However, when Henry VIII declared himself the head of the Catholic Church in England (instead of the Pope) he demanded that all the subjects of the realm swear an oath of submission to this law or face execution. St. Thomas More, an ardent defender of the Catholic Church, refused to take this Oath of Supremacy and so forfeited his life. Having served his king and his country in position of great responsibility and authority—including as Lord Chancellor (the equivalent of Prime Minister)—St. Thomas nevertheless did not hesitate to choose the higher law of God over the laws of men. According to eyewitness accounts at the time, St. Thomas' final words as he was about to be beheaded paid tribute to his defense of this higher law: "I die the King's good servant—but God's first."



**Project Healthy Schools:** Broccoli, strawberries, pineapples, and bell peppers are all great sources of vitamin C. Try grabbing one of these vitamin C packed foods next time you want a snack.

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

Acts 4:8-12     John 10:11-18

In the reading from Acts, Peter is described as being "filled with the Holy Spirit." He proclaims that God raised Jesus from the dead. The Jewish leaders question Peter because of his preaching and healing in Jesus' name. He announces that Jesus is the stone that the Jewish leaders rejected, who now

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has become the cornerstone. According to Peter, only through Jesus can people be saved.



This gospel describes the loving relationship that Jesus has with those who belong to him. Jesus compares himself to a good shepherd who cares for his sheep. Jesus lays down his life for his sheep. Jesus' followers are like sheep that listen to Jesus' voice and live as one flock.



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- What does the Holy Spirit help us to do?
- What does it mean to belong to Jesus?
- How do followers of Jesus live?

## Trinity

We believe that the Holy Trinity is one God in three divine persons, the Father who creates us, the Son who saves us, and the Holy Spirit who gives us life. Belief in the Trinity is central to our Christian faith and we profess this belief in the Nicene Creed. We could not understand the Holy Trinity on our own. This is something that God has revealed to us. God freely shows us that God is love: Father, Son and Spirit.

Jesus knows the Father and the Father knows him. Father and Son share a relationship of love. Through Jesus, God's love is made known to us.

The Holy Spirit is the giver of life. Through the Spirit we experience the love of God the Father and the Son. The Blessed Trinity fills us with faith, hope, and love and forms us into one body, the Church.



## Sacrament Connection

We are baptized in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. The sacrament of Baptism celebrates our response to the Holy Spirit's invitation to believe in Christ and live as children of God.

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This is the poster sign on Baker Road that is advertising our school. Please let your family and friends know about our school. You are the best advertisement for our school. If you recommend someone to our school and they stay for one year, you will receive \$500 off your tuition! *Thank you to our sponsor, Deacon Dan Hall, Pinckney Chrysler Dodge Jeep!*



# ***Pray, Hope & Don't Worry***

**ST. PADRE PIO  
IS COMING TO  
ST. MARY  
PINCKNEY  
MAY 4-9**

**JOIN US  
TUESDAY, MAY 4<sup>TH</sup>  
FOR MUSIC, PRAYER  
& PRESENTATION**

**10601 DEXTER-PINCKNEY RD • 6-9PM**

**ALL ARE INVITED TO PRAY AND LEARN ABOUT  
PADRE PIO AT 6PM AND CELEBRATE MASS AT 7PM**

**FOLLOWED BY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION  
& CONFESSION IN THE SPIRIT OF PADRE PIO  
(MAIN CHURCH)**

***PRAISE & WORSHIP  
DURING EXPOSITION AND MASSES:***

**WED. 5/5 - 11AM MASS, ADORATION 11:30AM-9PM**

**THURS. 5/6 - 8:30AM MASS, ADORATION 9AM- 9PM**

THIS LIFE-SIZED BRONZE STATUE OF PADRE PIO WILL VISIT MAY 4-9 AS PART OF A ONE-TIME TOUR BEFORE HE IS INSTALLED IN THE NEW CASA USA CAMPUS IN HOWELL, MI WHERE HE WILL REMAIN PERMANENTLY TO GREET DEVOTED PILGRIMS AND HIS SPIRITUAL CHILDREN.



**FOR MORE INFORMATION: [WWW.CHI-USA.COM](http://WWW.CHI-USA.COM)**