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

May 13, 2021

Week –At – A - Glance

Friday, May 14, 2021	❖ 8:30 All School Mass; gr. 4
Saturday, May 15, 2021	❖ Off to the Races Derby Gala
	❖ 8:00 Golf Registration
	❖ 4:00 Gala Dinner
Monday, May 17, 2021	Morning Prayer; Mrs. Kinsey with
	7th grade helpers; Rosaries needed
	❖ 7:30 Band grs. 6-8
	4:30 Girls' Basketball Tournament
	home
	❖ ALL BOOKS RETURNED TO
	LIBRARY THIS WEEK
Tuesday, May 18, 2021	❖ 7:30 Band grs. 6-8
	4:30 Girls' Basketball Tournament
	continues home
Wednesday, May 19, 2021	❖ 8:30 Middle School Mass; gr. 7
Thursday, May 20, 2021	*
Friday, May 21, 2021	❖ 8:30 All School Mass; gr. 4

LUNCH INFORMATION

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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



As some of you know, we moved to a new report card format this school year. We would like your feedback. If you can **respond by Friday, May 21st** to this quick survey that would be great! Please just click or cut and paste the link below into the browser! It will only take 1 minute!!!

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Make a difference this Mother's Day. Shop for gifts at smile.amazon.com/ch/38-1359738 to generate donations for St Mary Parish Pinckney and check out our AmazonSmile Charity Lists to donate items we need most.

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Derby Golf & Gala!!!

Please sign up to volunteer on May 15th!! This SignUp link is:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FA8A92 EABF58-derby



Music Scholarship Applications Now Available!

The applications for the Tricia T. Berger Music Scholarship are now available! You can get a copy of the application online at the school/parish website or you can pick it

up outside the school or parish office.

Who can apply? In order to be eligible to receive a scholarship, you must meet four conditions. First, you must already be taking music lessons. Second, you must have attended St. Mary School in Pinckney for at least one year. (Last year, the covid "year" counts!) Third, you must currently be in Kindergarten

thru 11th grade. Finally, your application must be complete and submitted to the school office by June 4th. The winners will be notified by June 11.



Thank you for your years of dedication to the St. Mary School children especially those in the preschool room. After twenty-three years as a preschool aid, Mrs. Pam Prosniewski has decided to retire and begin some new adventures with her husband Paul. We will miss you and wish you luck!



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WE WILL MISS YOU: As the year comes to a close for our preschoolers in the next two weeks, we want to say a huge thank you to Mrs. Beth Stodart our Preschool Director. After twenty-three years, four of which were here at St. Mary, Mrs. Stodart has decided that she would like to try her hand working with students who are a little bit older. We will miss her greatly and wish her well on her journey. We know she will be awesome and her students will love her no matter the grade.

MRS. ROBINSON'S SECOND GRADE

Congratulations to our Second Graders on receiving their First Holy Communion!



MRS. MABLE'S M. S. CLASSES

RELIGION

The 8th grade is winding down the year with many activities. We have finished our study of Church history have completed Theology of the Body, a course inspired by the writings of Saint John Paul II. It covers the Church's teachings on marriage. The class took the Diocesan Religion test and did quite

well. They are now preparing for the final in Religion which covers this year's coursework as well as preparing their graduation Mass.



In Social Studies, the class is learning about The Great Depression and will end the year studying World War II. In Literature, the research papers are finished and the last few stories are being read as well as the play, "The Diary of Anne Frank". The students are

working on their autobiographies which is part of their Literature final. We are looking forward to the Chicago trip and the Father Solanus Casey trip.



As our 8th grade graduates on Wednesday, June 2nd, please join me in praying for our 8th graders as Let us pray they set a faith-filled example wherever they go.



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Box Tops are a great way to help the school earn easy money. Instead of cutting out those little boxes, the company has changed to make it so easy for you. All you need to do is download the app to your phone and scan your receipt as soon as you get home. I am not a techy person and I did it easily! It really takes less than one minute of your time. Box Tops sends out 2 checks a year to the school. It is so easy. Not sure if you bought something that qualifies, scan your receipt and it will let you know if you had any items! Easy!!



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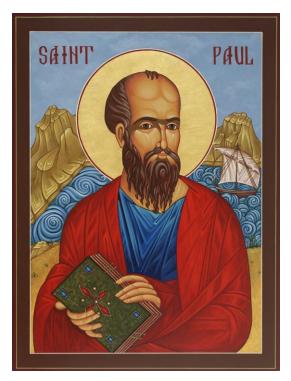
Virtue of the Month:

Zeal: meaning: being driven by an intense love for God

When we hear the word "intense," we think of people or things that are strong and forceful. The weather can be intense: think of wind and storms, especially lightening! When athletes are focused on winning, they can also be intense, straining their bodies with rigorous practice to make sure they achieve their goal. When we have this kind of energy for God, we are zealous. The writer of Psalm 69 said of God, "Zeal for Your house consumes me." Let us all be zealous for Dog and His truth so that we can share His love with others.

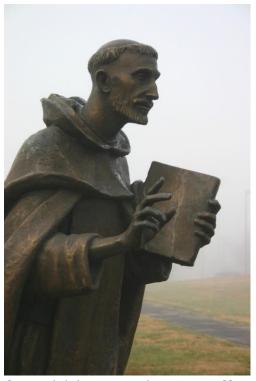
Saint of the Month for Preschool to grade 2: Saint

Paul. Feast days: January 25 and June 29



St. Paul loved God so much that he traveled to many countries to tell people about Jesus. He wrote letters to tell people about God's love. We can read these letters in the Bible.

Saint of the Month for grades 3-5: Saint Dominic de Guzman; Feast day: August 8



St. Dominic was so energetic about spreading the faith that he is sometimes called the "athlete of Christ"! Saint Dominic wanted to make sure everyone knew the truth about God. To do this, he started the Dominican Order to teach everyone about Tod and His good news of salvation. St. Dominic and his Dominican brothers travelled to many places in Europe on foot, spreading their days and nights teaching and preaching about God to the people, some of whom were spreading confusion and error about God and His Church. At one point these people tried to kill St. Dominic, but his only response was to rejoice that God

found him worthy to suffer for the truth in imitation of Jesus. Because of St. Dominic's zeal, his brothers and sisters continue to teach about God throughout the world.

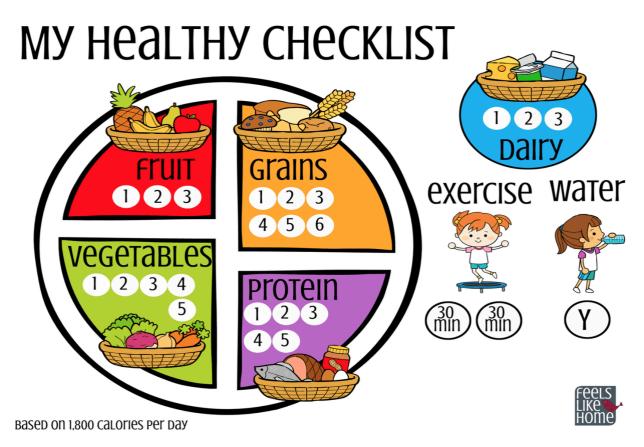
Saint of the Month for Middle School: Saint Francis Zavier; Feast day: December 3



"[The thought of thanking God for His goodness] would certainly stir most [university students] to meditate on spiritual realities, to listen actively to what God is saying to them. They would forget their won desires, their human affairs, and give themselves over entirely to God's will and his choice. They would cry out with all their heart: 'Lord, I am here! What do you want me to do?' Send me anywhere you like-even to India!" These words of St. Francis Xavier sum up his whole life as one of the greatest missionaries the Church has ever known, a man on fire with the love of God. Raised in a wealthy family from the Basque of the Jesuit Order found a ready recruit in the energetic young nobleman. One of the first missionary priests in his community, the life of St. Francis

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Xavier reads like an action-adventure story: Sent to the shores of India and the Far East, he dined with head hunters, bathed the sores of lepers, and taught the faith to Indian children, baptizing 10,000 in a single month. He endured extreme weather conditions on long, primitive sea voyages, much like St. Paul. During less than 20 years as a priest, he traveled thousands of miles, most of it on his bare feet. God granted him the gift of tongues (speaking in the multitude of languages of those whom he served) as well as the ability to raise people from the dead, calm storms, prophesy, and heal. Completely spent in body from his labors in the service, St. Francis Xavier died on the shores of China at the age of 46.

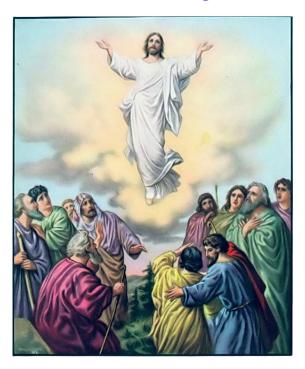


Project Healthy Schools Tip: To create a healthier family, turn mealtime into family time! During mealtime, children learn about foods and their parents' food likes/dislikes. Parents and older siblings can be great role models for forming healthy eating habits. Set a time for family meals and eat together at the table. During the meal, turn off all electronics and focus on one another's stories from their individual days. Try to introduce one new healthy food item at least three times per week.

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

Acts 1:1-11 Mark 16:15-20

On the feast of the Ascension we celebrate the ascension of Jesus into heaven. According to the first reading from Acts, Jesus is taken up into heaven forty days after the resurrection. It is hard to imagine what Jesus' friends were feeling when he was taken from them. In this passage, when Jesus ascends into heaven the disciples are given a message of hope. God sends two messengers to tell them that Jesus is not gone forever, he will come again.



In this gospel Jesus tells his followers that they have work to do. They are challenged to go out and proclaim the good news to all. Those who believe will have the power to preach, heal, and cast out demons in Jesus' name. After Jesus speaks to his friends, he is taken up into heaven to sit at the right hand of God. The disciples take Jesus' message to heart. They go out and spread the good news everywhere.



- How does it feel when someone close to you moves away?
- How can Jesus help you get through tough times?
- What work are Jesus' followers called to do?

The Ascension of the Lord is professed in both the Apostles' and the Constantinopolitan-Nicene Creeds.

On the Ascension the Church prays: "Father...today the Lord Jesus, the king of glory, the conqueror of sin and death, ascended to heaven while the angels sang his praises. Christ, the mediator between God and [humanity], judge of the world and Lord of all, has passed beyond our sight, not to abandon us but to be our hope. Christ is the beginning, the head of the Church; where he has gone, we hope to follow."

The feast of the Ascension of the Lord is celebrated forty days after Easter. This feast reminds us to direct our attention to Christ, who ascended into heaven and is now seated at the right hand of the Father.

Sacrament Connection

One way that Jesus' healing work continues in the Church today is through the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. This sacrament strengthens our faith when we are seriously ill or dying.

The Gospel in Life

How can you help someone who is feeling alone this week?