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 6, 2021

## Week -At - A - Glance

Friday, May 7, 2021	<ul><li>8:30 All School Mass; gr. 6</li></ul>
	First Friday Food Drive
Monday, May 10, 2021	Morning Prayer; Mrs. Kinsey with
	8th grade helpers; Rosaries needed
	❖ 7:30 Band grs. 6-8
	<ul><li>Dress Down Day \$1.00</li></ul>
	Last week to check out Library bks
Tuesday, May 11, 2021	Spirit Wear Day
	❖ 7:30 Band grs. 6-8
	<ul><li>7:00 PTC Meeting via Zoom</li></ul>
Wednesday, May 12, 2021	<ul><li>8:30 Middle School Mass; gr. 7</li></ul>
Thursday, May 13, 2021	4:30 and 5:30 Girls' Basketball
	game Home
Friday, May 14, 2021	* 8:30 All School Mass; gr. 4
Saturday, May 15, 2021	❖ Off to the Races Derby Gala
	<ul> <li>8:00 Golf Registration</li> </ul>
	❖ 4:00 Gala Dinner

## **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!!!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfgqHHEE5eFaofbOujSR4Wj 3xSgigu5jLCmbPeR8rdpC4uBhg/viewform?gxids=7628



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



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## MRS. GOLM'S M. S. SCIENCE CLASSES

The 8th graders have been learning about Newton's laws of motion. We are concerned about cell phones and want to understand the forces that crack the phone when it is dropped or crushed by books in their backpacks. We have conducted several investigations. We built towers using only 5 pieces of paper and 20 cm of tape and testing to see how many books it could hold. Eight textbooks was the record!! Try to see if you can do it!

In another investigation we used rubber bands to make a simple slingshot to shoot pennies and measure the distance traveled.

Next we will build something to protect an egg from cracking when dropped from a height of one meter.

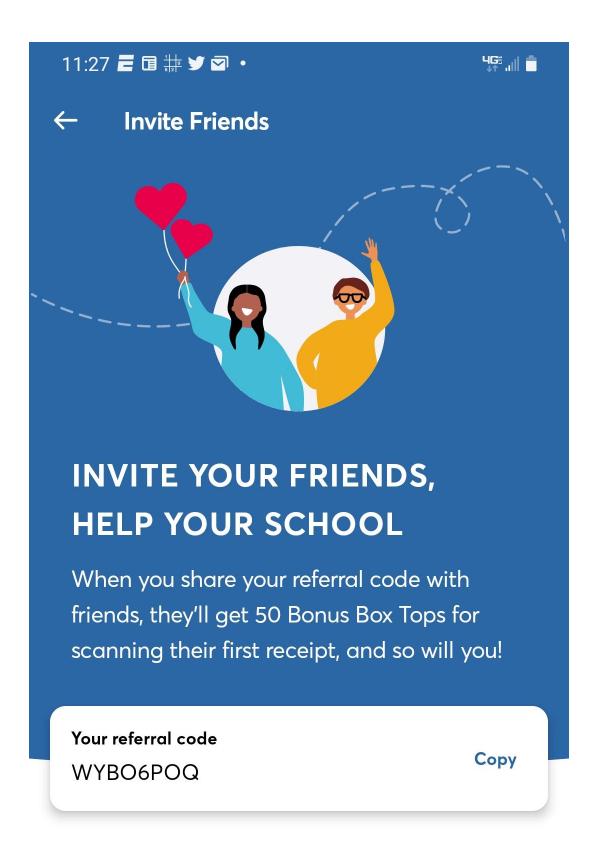
Save those packaging materials for your child to bring to school to use in their project!







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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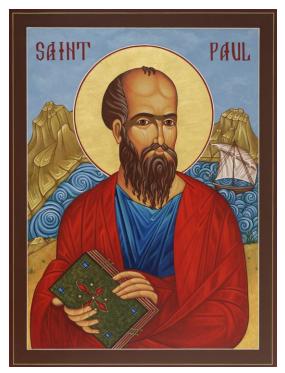
#### Virtue of the Month:

**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.

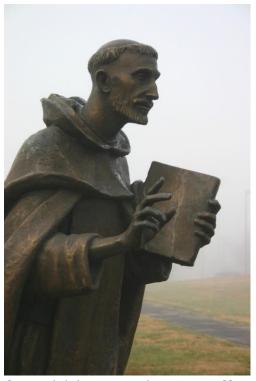
Saint of the Month for Preschool to grade 2: Saint

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.

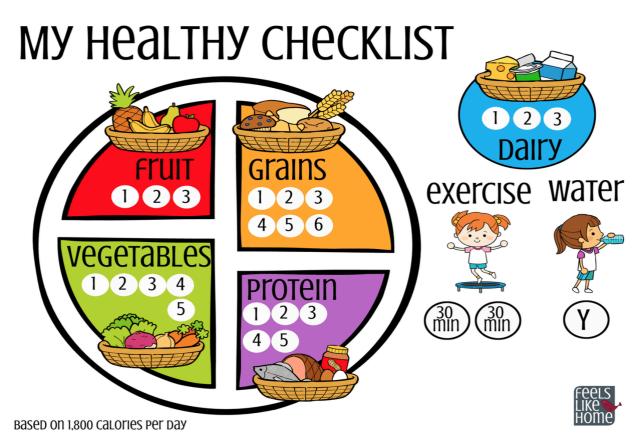
**Saint of the Month** for Middle School: Saint Francis Zavier; Feast day: December 3



"[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 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 John 15:9-17

The first reading from Acts of the Apostles points out that God shows no favoritism when it comes to love. God loves all people equally. In the passage the disciples are doing what Jesus asked of them. They are going out and spreading the Good News. While Peter is preaching to the Gentiles, the Holy Spirit comes upon them. The gift of the Spirit is freely given not only to Jews, but to Gentiles as well. This event demonstrates how God's unconditional love is for every human being. Love is the heart and soul of the Church's apostolic mission.



In this gospel Jesus invites his listeners to an even deeper friendship with him, with his Father, and with one another in the Church. By proclaiming that, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you," Jesus makes clear that love is at the core of this friendship. Jesus tells his friends that they have been chosen to bear fruit in the world. They are called to go out and love one another. Christians continue the mission of Jesus in the world because of love, the love they have received from God, the love they have received from Jesus, and the love they share with others in the Christian community.



- Why does God love all people equally?
- What does it mean to be a true friend?
- ❖ How can friendship with Jesus help you to be a good friend?

### Love, the Soul of an Apostolate

Catholics understand that the entire Church is apostolic. The original apostles have inspired us to continue Christ's saving work and spread Christ's message of love. Through Baptism we share in the life of the Body of Christ, the Church. All members of the Church, through the grace of God, carry out the apostolate of the Church. We each have an important role to play in continuing Christ's mission on earth. God's gift of grace and love must be shared with others. By our acts of love and service toward others we work for the glory of God. The Eucharist draws us closer to Christ and in him we are made closer to one another. United as one Body in Christ, we are a sign for the world of a people formed by the Spirit into a community of faith, hope and love.



#### **Sacrament Connection**

Sharing in the Eucharist nourishes our communion with God and with one another. In this Sacrament we celebrate our unity as members of the one Body of Christ. Communion with Christ strengthens our ability to love God and others.

## The Gospel in Life

What act of loving service can you take part in this week?