



St. Mary School

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UPCOMING EVENTS

JAN. 8
Adoration
1:30 PM

JAN. 13
MASS 1:30 PM

JAN. 18
Prof. Learning
Day—No School

JAN. 20
MASS 1:30 PM

JAN. 22
End of 2nd
Quarter

JAN. 25
Spirit Day

JAN. 27
MASS 1:30 PM

JAN. 29
Report Cards
Home



Dear St. Mary Families,

Happy New Year! What a busy week back to school. It was so good to see everyone again and hear about all the wonderful memories made over Christmas break.

Prior to Christmas break I had mentioned that the school was changing over to fiber optic internet with Baldwin Telecom. We have been experiencing some issues with the change and are working diligently to get the “bugs” worked out. We are hoping to be up and running at 100% by the middle of next week. The teachers and students have been so patient with all of the changes.

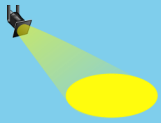
MAP testing was scheduled to start on Monday however with the change to fiber optic testing will be delayed by one week and will begin on Tuesday, January 19th. Please make sure that your child is getting a good nights sleep and eating a hearty breakfast. It is hard to take a test when sleepy or hungry.

The end of the 2nd Quarter will be on Friday, January 22nd. Report cards will go home in the family folders on Friday, January 28th. I would like to thank everyone for their hard work and cooperation in following all mitigation practices so we could keep the students in the building with face-to-face learning model so far into the school year. I hope and pray that our good luck will continue, and we can keep learning face-to-face through the end of the school year.

As with many things, due to COVID-19, it is with sadness that our annual gala, Mardi Gras, has been postponed to February, 2022. The Committee is currently working on an alternative to this fundraiser and information will be coming out in the weeks ahead. Although I am sad that we will not be having this fun event, it is in the interest and safety of all that this difficult decision was made. Looking forward to its return next year!

Blessings,

Mrs. J.

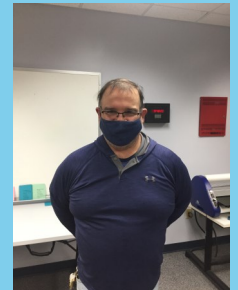


STAFF SPOTLIGHT

This is a new feature of the newsletter in celebration of the **NEW YEAR!** Each newsletter we will put the “spotlight” on a staff member—hopefully we will learn some new things about everyone!

This week’s Staff Spotlight is on Mr. Bill Lucas, Custodian Extraordinaire! Bill has worked at St. Mary School for exactly 1 year today!! You will always find him with a smile on his face, taking care of everything we need right when we need it. He is also a **HUGE** part in keeping our school healthy—his multiple times daily of sanitizing everything in our school has undoubtedly helped to keep us with face-to-face learning this long!

- If you could learn how to do anything, what would you pick? To play an instrument, either guitar or piano.
- What is your favorite flavor of ice cream? Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough
- Where is your favorite place you’ve ever traveled to? Montego Bay, Jamaica
- What’s a fun fact about you? I have coached Softball for 20 years.



St. Mary School was recently featured on the Diocese of Superior’s Catholic School Week Poster!

****UPDATED**FREE LUNCH BENEFIT**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the US Dept. of Agriculture announced that all students will be eligible for free meals regardless of family income through **the end of the 2020-21 school year** (or federal funding is depleted).

Details:

- All students receive free meals starting 9/1/20
- All students will receive free meals **through the 2020-21 school year** or until funding is depleted
- Students will still pay for anything outside of a meal purchase
- Students will still use their meal accounts when receiving meals. This process is needed for proper counting and claiming of meals.
- It is very important families still complete free/reduced price meal benefit applications if needed.

These cost you nothing extra and St. Mary School funding is supported by your participation:

Shop on AmazonSmile, *smile.amazon.com* choose *Immaculate Conception Parish

***Recycle aluminum cans** at our center near Snap Fitness on N. Knowles Ave.

***Recycle printer cartridges.** Drop off at school.

***Save Family Fresh receipts.** Drop off at **school**.

***NEW* Shutterfly.** Log into our storefront at **saintmaryschool.ShutterflyStorefront.com** and we receive **8% of your net order.**

Scrip shopping/gift cards are available at the school and church offices and after masses.

