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UPCOMING EVENTS.

- NOV. 19 Spirit Day
- NOV. 21-23
 Thanksgiving Recess-No School
- NOV. 26 Teacher Inservice-No School
- NOV. 28 Mass 1:45 P.M.
- DEC. 5 Mass 1:45 P.M.
- DEC. 7 Adoration 1:30 PM
- DEC. 12 Mass 1:45 PM
- DEC. 17 Spirit Day
- DEC. 19 Mass 1:45 PM
- DEC. 21 Christmas Program 1:00 P.M.
- DEC. 24-JAN. 1 Christmas Break
- JAN. 2 School Resumes
- JAN. 2 Mass 1:45 P.M.



Dear Parents & Students,

So many exciting things are happening around the building!

Mary: As some of you may have heard, our statue of Mary has been taken to St. Paul Fabrication to be repaired and repainted. The students and staff gave her a beautiful send off with song and prayer before she started her trip. It was an interesting trip where I learned that Mary is actually over a 100 years old. At some point she had been repainted, but with the wrong kind of paint and at one time she had a halo. After visiting with Jacob & Ken at St. Paul Fabrication, they assured me that they could make all of the repairs, repaint her in the style of paint that is true to the time period in which she was made, and will order her a new halo.

Today Student Council proudly accepted at \$2,000 Grant from New Richmond Community Bank. We are so blessed to have such great community support. It will be used to purchase iPads for lower grade classrooms and to bring in a special guest activity for the whole school. More details in the weeks to come!

Did you know? Raising a confident child in today's world can be a difficult task. With the constant invasion of social media and marketing tactics, children can have a skewed view of the world. According to Parent magazine the following eight steps will help your child grow in their confidence.

- 1. Give them choices—with reasonable preselected options by you.
- 2. Don't do everything for them—be patient and let them work things out for themselves.
- 3. Let them know no one is perfect—explain no one expects them to be.
- 4. Don't over praise—praise your child often, but be specific in your compliments so your words do not ring hollow.
- 5. Assign age appropriate chores—this increases competency and boosts problem-solving skills.
- 6. Don't draw comparisons between your children –appreciate each child's individuality and gifts.
- 7. Don't use sarcasm to make a point—never belittle your child's feelings.
- 8. Spend one-on-one time with your child—this is a great way to learn what is on their mind and build your relationship with them.

Helping to build positive self-esteem in your child is one of the greatest gifts you can give your child.

Memorial: My father, Bert Krueger passed away this past September. Nineteen years ago he saw an ad in the New Richmond News for a music teacher at St. Mary School. He insisted I apply and agreed to watch my daughter if I got "the job". Look where that has led me! I am very thankful my father saw that ad. My parents were always huge supporters of the school, and when my father passed away my siblings agreed that all memorials should be referred to St.

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Mary School. It will be these memorials that will be used to refurbish the Statue of Mary and gift new Advent wreaths to each classroom. My father would be so happy to know that he was making one last gift to the school.

Happy Thanksgiving: I love this time of year when the students are talking about all the things they are thankful for. We are blessed as a school community with all that we have. I pray that everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving break that is shared with family and filled with love.

Blessings,

Mrs. J







A HONOR ROLL

From Left: Emma Humphrey, Vanessa Kizer & Mary Harrold

B HONOR ROLL

Back Row from L: Anna Fitzgerald, Victoria Anderson, Drew Effertz, Seamus Scanlan, Brady Barlow-Sager, Eva Dalton. Middle Row from L: Johnny Medini, RJ Amundson, Jack Charbonneau, Grace Mary Wicklem. Front Row from L: Reid Naser, Payton Conroy, Shawn Kampa.

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.
- *Collect Box Tops for Education labels. Drop off at school.
- *Recycle printer cartridges. Drop off at school.
- *Collect Kwik Trip Milk Moola labels. Drop off at school.
- *Save Family Fresh receipts. Drop off at school.



Hometown Holiday Parade Thursday, November 29th 5:30 (line up)

Needed:

Volunteers for the live Nativity, volunteers to help decorate the float on Thursday morning, Christmas lights, walkers alongside the float.

Contact the Church or School office if interested in helping.

Help us keep Christ in Christmas!

As you start your Holiday Shopping—don't forget to buy Scrip! We have all of your favorite retailers at the School, and many more online.

ST. MARY SCHOOL ANNUAL MONEY DRIVE

It is a tradition at St. Mary School to raise money for various charities during the month of November. This year the Student Council made a list of local charities and students in grades 2-8 voted for the charities of their choice. We will be splitting the money raised between Grace Place and Gregory's Gift of Hope. Students can bring in money and place it in the jar in their homeroom class. The money drive will end

Nov. 30, 2018. The class that brings in the most money per student will receive an extra recess.

Thank you for your support!



