



The Saints Go Marching On!

**UPCOMING
EVENTS.**

- OCT. 6
Marathon It
- OCT. 9
Fire Safety
Presentation
- OCT. 10
Mass 1:45 P.M.
- OCT. 11
Early Dismissal
12:40 P/T Conf
- OCT. 15
No School
Teacher Inservice
- OCT. 17
Grandparent's Day
Mass 12:45 P.M.
- OCT. 24
Mass 1:45 P.M.
- OCT. 26
No School
Teacher Fall Conf
- OCT. 29
Spirit Day
- OCT. 31
Mass 1:45 P.M.
- NOV. 2
End of 1st Quarter
- NOV. 6
Veteran's Assem-
bly 9:30 A.M.
- NOV. 7
Mass 1:45 P.M.
- NOV. 9
1st Quarter Report
Cards

Dear Parents & Students,

With the start of October upon us, please remember to send your kiddos with coats, hats, and even a pair of gloves or mittens as each day is bringing cooler temperatures. Before we know it, winter will be here!

Marathon It: The students, faculty, and I are all excited for Marathon It this week-end. Lets all pray for sunshine and warm weather for our kiddos who are walking, running, and biking to raise money for our wonderful school. Registration begins at 9:30 A.M. and a group picture just before the start of the event at 10:00 A.M.

Volleyball: Two of our 5th grade girls are playing on the Hudson St. Patrick's School volleyball team. This has been a great opportunity for them to build new friendships, practice good sportsmanship, and increase their volleyball skills. We are very lucky to have shared this opportunity with our Hudson neighbors. If interested in watching a game there is a match in Hudson on October 8th and 16th both days beginning at 4:45 P.M. Good Luck Girls!

Conversation Starters: Having been a parent of students at St. Mary School, I remember the evenings when I would ask my kids about their day at school, and I would get the following responses: "It was fine", "Nothing exciting happened", or possibly they would give me THAT look. I quickly learned that I had to ask pointed, positive worded questions to get insight into their day. I have listed a few examples of conversation starters that might help begin a conversation:

- "What's the coolest thing that happened today?"
- "What made you laugh today?"
- "How were you kind or helpful today? Was anyone kind or helpful to you?"
- "How did you make your teacher or a classmate smile today?"
- "What was the most exciting thing you learned today?"
- "What were you most thankful for today?"

The best time to try these conversations starters is around the dinner table. A study from Columbia University states the children who ate a regular family dinner felt a greater sense of security and feeling of belonging.

Hometown Holiday Parade: The 2nd Annual Hometown Holiday Parade is scheduled for Thursday, November 29th and St. Mary School and the Immaculate Conception Catholic Formation will be in the parade. This year the Chamber has stated that

all entries must have a float—no walking entries. With that said, we are in need of a truck and flatbed trailer that can be used as a float. Please ask around to friends and neighbors to see if anyone can help us out.

October 9-12th I will be out of the building and in Hudson at St. Patrick's Catholic School co-chairing their WRISA accreditation. This is a great chance to help out our neighbor and also learn the process for our upcoming accreditation during the 2019-2020 school year. I will be available through email. If you need to reach me immediately please contact Mrs. Moore in the office and she will reach me on my cell phone.

Thank you to all the students who bring such joy to my day. I love to see when the big kids are helping the younger students, the kids are sharing high-fives and hugs, and to the wonderful smiles that are exchanged everyday. We have a GREAT school with SUPER kids!

Blessings,

Mrs. J



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Our Kindergarten, 1st grade and 2nd grade enjoyed a Field Trip to the Afton Apple Orchard last week.

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.

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

Just a friendly reminder, parents are welcome to come have lunch with their child(ren) anytime, however, due to DPI regulations, no outside food (Subway, McDonalds, etc) or soda is allowed. Thank you!