

St. Mary School NEWSLETTER

Grow in Knowledge—Follow In Faith—Serve in Harmony

New Richmond, Wiscons

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UPCOMING EVENTS

MAR. 9 Mass 1:30 PM

MAR. 16 Spring Pictures

MAR. 21 Professional Learning Day No School

MAR. 23 Mass 1:30 PM

MAR. 25 End of 3rd Quarter Spirit Day

MAR 28-Apr 1 Spring Break NO SCHOOL

APR 6 Mass 1:30 PM

APR 8 Adoration 1:30 PM

Happy **
St. Patrick's Day

Dear St. Mary School Families,

WOW! What a great time we had at Mardi Gras last Saturday! The teachers and I are so thankful for all of the support the school received that night. Thank you to the committee and all of the volunteers that made the night a success. Our school is truly blessed!

On Friday, March 11th the students have earned a non-uniform day from the food drive during Catholic School Week, and as promised, I will don the school uniform for the day! Please make sure your child's attire follows the dress code for non-uniform days.

I was a lucky principal this week, I was honored to attend the New Richmond Rotary Essay Awards Banquet this past Monday. During the month of February middle school students in New Richmond participated in the Essay Contest with writing prompts about service to others. I am happy to announce the following winners from St. Mary School:

6th Grade First Place—Ancel Peterson

6th Grade Third Place—Rohun Francis

7th Grade First Place—Allie Harrold

Congratulations!

As I have been visiting the classrooms, I have noticed how intentional the students have been about preparing and experiencing this year's Lenten season. The 8th graders led the Stations of the Cross yesterday and did an outstanding job. Each Thursday during Lent (with the exception of Spring Break week) at 9:00 a.m. a different grade will lead the school and parish in witnessing the Stations of the Cross. All are welcome to join in this Lenten experience. My Lenten hope is that we each can see Christ in those around us and also see Christ in ourselves. May each of you draw closer in your relationship to Christ during this Lenten season.

Blessings, Mrs. J.



MARDI GRAS 2022

























SPRING PICTURE DAY IS MARCH 15TH

STUDENTS MAY WEAR UNIFORMS OR DRESS ATTIRE.

School Nutrition Highlights in March:

March 15th is Try It Tuesday, serving Edamame & Corn Salad. Pronounced "Eh-Dah-Mah-May", this vegetable is considered a bean/legume and is high in protein and fiber. Try some at lunch!

SPRING BREAK MAR. 28-APR. 1 NO SCHOOL



STAFF SPOTLIGHT

This week's Staff Spotlight is on Father John Anderson. Father has been our leader and Priest of Immaculate Conception and St. Patrick for seven years providing the Sacraments for people and helping them to get to know Christ better by walking with them. He was ordained on June 4, 1993 and first served as Associate Pastor in Rice Lake and then at the Cathedral in Superior before serving as Pastor in the Ladysmith and Tomahawk area. Father John grew up in the Star Prairie area, as the youngest of five siblings with three brothers and one sister. He went to school at St. Mary School and New Richmond High School, studied at UWRF for a year and then completed a two year marketing degree from Northwood Technical College (formerly WITC). He has a degree in Religious Studies from Cardinal Stritch University, Milwaukee and MDiv from Sacred Heart Seminary in Hales Corners, Wl. During his time in school he held many jobs, from bartending to bus driving (luckily, not at the same time!), campground management and vacation shows, and also worked at a printing business and canning factory. Besides performing Mass for us each week, he also spends time in our classrooms, blesses the student's backpacks and pets, and attends our special events. We are very lucky and blessed to have him!

- 1. If you could have any superpower, what would you pick and why? To fly. I would be able to travel where I would like and not drive in traffic.
- 2. What's your favorite place you've traveled to? The Holy Land
- 3. If you could pick anyone famous to have dinner with, living or dead, who would you pick? My obvious answer would be Jesus but I share a meal with him at every Mass. The next would be Pope Francis as I learn much from him.



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