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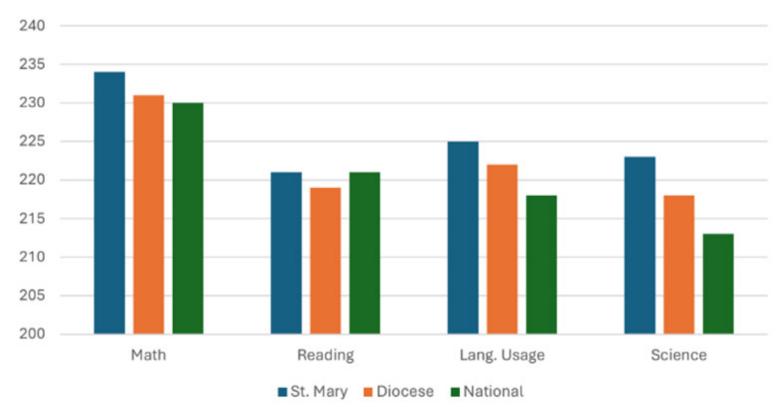
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New Teachers **Building Upgrades** First Day of School and more!

8th Grade Mean RIT Scores



All students in grades K-8 take the NWEA Measure of Academic Progress test, SMS is pleased to announce the results of last year's 8th-grader's standardized test scores. These scores indicate that we have dedicated teachers, staff, and parents who have high expectations for our students.



We had some exciting staff changes over the summer for the 24/25 school year. Ms. Carlson, a recent graduate from the University of Wisconsin-River Falls, is joining us as the new Kindergarten teacher. We are thrilled to announce the transition of Mrs. Jerry from Connect-On teacher to Preschool teacher, with Mrs. Schauer as our new preschool aide. Additionally, Mrs. Heintz has taken on the role of Connect-On teacher, and Mr. Bailey, who has been a valuable member of our After School Program for a few years, has now taken on the role of aide for 2nd-grade students.

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 4

Pet Blessing

OCTOBER 12

Marathon-It

OCTOBER 17 & 18

Parent/Teacher Conferences

OCTOBER 23

Grandparent's Day

OCTOBER 25

Diocese Fall Conference No School

NOVEMBER 1

End of 1st Quarter

NOVEMBER 25-29

Thanksgiving Break No School

DECEMBER 20

Christmas Program

DECEMBER 23-31

Christmas Break No School







On August 29, teachers and staff welcomed students back to school to begin the 24/25 school year!

UPGRADES

This summer, St. Mary School underwent some amazing renovations to enhance the learning environment for its students. The gymnasium now features two new basketball hoops, bringing excitement and energy to physical education classes and student recreational activities. On the playground, a new gate has been installed at the south end to prioritize the safety and security of the outdoor space. Then, the success of the Gala fundraiser has allowed the school to install six cutting-edge Newline Smartboards in the classrooms. These interactive smartboard tools promise to revolutionize the teaching and learning experience, providing an engaging and dynamic platform for both students and teachers. Looking ahead, St. Mary School aims to outfit all classrooms with these Smartboards by the summer of 2025, ensuring that every student has access to this innovative learning technology. The ongoing support, donations, and time given by the community are greatly appreciated, as they contribute to the school's commitment to providing the best possible education and resources for its students.

Our school library is getting closer to completion. We are organizing books onto the shelves and hope to have the library up and running soon!











NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As I enter my second year as principal of St. Mary School, I am writing to you in hopes that this quarterly newsletter finds you well and that you enjoyed your summer with friends and family. As we embrace the beginning of another academic year, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on some of the recent summer changes that have set the stage for an enriching year ahead.

This summer, we worked on several initiatives to improve our current students' educational experience, like the installation of our NewLine Smartboards and the continued progress of the SMS library project. The library project requires a lot of effort and dedication from our school community, and we are excited to see how it will positively impact our students' academics. I'm also happy to announce that we now have a middle school girls' volleyball team! You're welcome to join us for a game; the schedule is posted on Facebook or please call the school's office for game time and dates.

Thank you for being a valued member of our school community. Here's to a fantastic new school year filled with growth, achievement, and memorable moments and please remember that my door is always open.

Joyfully serving, Mrs. Engelhart





St. Mary School would like to shout a huge **THANK YOU** to all the sponsors, participants, and committee members of the 2024 Golf Tournament. We are delighted with the turnuot, especially after having to reschedule from a rainy June day. Special thanks to our incredible golf committee members for their hard work and dedication. Set your calendars for next year's tournament on June 16th, 2025!



UPCOMING EVENT

Get ready for an unforgettable evening at the Saint Mary School's Gala on Saturday, February 8, 2025. This year, we're bringing the exciting atmosphere of the Kentucky Derby to our event. So, dust off your most dazzling hat and get ready for a night filled with the spirit of horse racing, all in support of our wonderful St. Mary School!





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