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Parent Newsletter

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MISSION STATEMENT

The St. Mary Catholic School community empowers students to grow spiritually, academically, creatively, and physically so they may experience, understand and live their responsibilities to God, family, community and self.

Bake Sale: St. Mary School Builders Club will be having a bake sale on Friday, February 4, after the Special Person Day Mass. They are raising money for community service projects they are working on.

Catholic Schools Week begins Sunday, January 30 and ends February 4. Special Person's day will be Friday, February 4. We will celebrate with Mass at 8:30am and a coffee and donut hour following. The schedule is attached. St. Mary K-7 students will be working with the American Heart Association on a Kids Heart Challenge. We are kicking off Kids Heart Challenge on January 31 and challenging all students to be a heart hero and take a healthy heart challenge online. Your whole family can learn Hands Only CPR and the warning signs of a heart attack or stroke, plus you can help other kids who were born with heart conditions! **Please help your student today by registering online or downloading the Kids Heart Challenge APP. Click [HERE](#) to register on our school KHC website! Or here is a friendly URL: <http://www2.heart.org/goto/CHARLEVOIX>**

Candlemas: On Wednesday, February 2, we celebrate the Presentation of the Lord. By Jewish law, the firstborn son would be presented at the temple forty days after his birth. This feast marks Jesus' presentation by Mary and Joseph. During the Presentation in the Temple, Simeon declared that Jesus would be a "light" and the Church developed a custom of lighting and blessing candles on this day. Catholics would customarily bring all the candles they would use in their home throughout the coming year to the Church to be blessed. The priest would also lead the congregation in a solemn procession to symbolize the light of Christ entering the temple. The flame of the Candle is a symbol of Jesus who came to enlighten our darkness. Fr. Peter will be celebrating Candlemas after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Wednesday. If you have any candles you would like blessed for your home, please bring them! Candles should be in the designated area in the church prior to Mass on that day.

Help needed: We are looking for help on Mondays and Wednesdays for lunch duty. If you are able to help on those days, please let us know.

KEEP UP TO DATE: Check out our website: at www.stmaryschoolcharlevoix.com to keep up to date on events and other news. Please join St. Mary School Families for notifications. Sign up https://www.remind.com/join/1005bridge?utm_medium=ios or on your phone: Enter the number 81010 and text this message: @1005bridge.

Week at a glance.....				
Monday, January 31	Tuesday, February 1	Wednesday, February 2	Thursday, February 3	Friday, February 4
	Hot Lunch: Breakfast	8:30am School Mass Candlemas Hot Lunch: Lasagna	Hot Lunch: Soup and Sandwich	8:30am School Mass Special Person's Day Builder's Club Bake Sale
STEM	ART	MUSIC	P.E.	COMPUTERS
Pray for Bryson	Pray for Beckett	Pray for Molly	Pray for Mr. Borths	Pray for Mr. Pischner
Crook	Browe; Anderson	Jess;	Peak; Tofil	Mailloux; Shoemaker

Upcoming Dates:

- January 30: 10am Student led Mass – Kick off to Catholic Schools Week
- January 2: 8:30am Student Mass
- January 4: 8:30am Student Mass – Special Person's Day
- February 18: Half Day of School – No Bussing
- March 2: Ash Wednesday – Lent begins
- March 24: Half Day of School – End of Marking Period
- March 25: Spring Break Begins
- April 5: School Resumes
- April 15: Half Day of School – Good Friday
- April 17: Happy Easter!