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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.

Hot Lunch: Sign up here to help with lunch: **April:** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CA8AB2BA7FFC16-62465140-lunch> **May** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CA8AB2BA7FFC16-63048514-lunch> **We have many opens spots – great way to finish up those parent hours!**

Scholarship: Scholarship forms are available and due May 1. Please contact Mrs. Dvoracek if you would like an application.

Spring Music Program: Our Spring Music Program will be at **6:00pm on Wednesday, April 29th**. Student should wear red, white and blue clothing or their Sunday best. We are looking for some help with the social after the program. Please sign up here if you are interested in helping: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CA8AB2BA7FFC16-63411788-spring>

Spring Art Show: The St. Mary School Art show begins April 29th and ends May 1st. Stop by and check out the wonderful artwork created by our students. Thank you to Mrs. Baldwin for all the work she did in preparing the art show and all she does to bring out the best in each one of our students.

Crooked Tree Art Show: Congratulations to the following students for earning an award at the Petoskey Crooked Tree Youth Art Show on April 16th: Michael Davison, Ensley O'Neal and Fletcher Spears. Well done!

Track and Field: Congratulations to the following athletes for setting new School Track & Field Records during the Mancelona MS Open on April 15th: Beck Stewart - Long Jump 13' 6.5"; Beck Stewart - 100M Dash 13.67; Lillian Anderson - 100M Dash 15.74; August Nordman - 400M Dash 1:21; Beck Stewart - 800M Run 2:47; and August Nordman - 200M Dash 38.1. Way to Go Guardians!

Bookfair: St. Mary School will have a Book Fair beginning April 24 and ending May 1st. Please sign up here if you are interested in helping out: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CA8AB2BA7FFC16-63411749-spring>

Shadow Day: Know someone looking for the right school fit? We are hosting a Shadow Day on Friday, May 1st. Potential students in K-8 can spend time at our school, meet our teachers, and see what makes St. Mary School special. Please contact the school office to make arrangements. Visitors need to have a signed permission slip which can be obtained from Mrs. Joy.

Spring Plant Sale: Order forms were sent home with your child today for a Spring Plant Sale. The order forms and payments are due on Monday May 4th and plant pick up day is Wednesday, May 20th between 3-5pm. All proceeds from this fundraiser help fund our school!

Week at a glance.....				
Monday, April 20	Tuesday, April 21	Wednesday, April 22	Thursday, April 23	Friday, April 24
	P.E. Hot Lunch: Chicken Nuggets 12-2:30 4/5 grade Swim Safety	Hot Lunch: Muffin Cup Beef Cheddar Pies	Music Hot Lunch: Pizza Track@Inland Lakes	Art Book Fair Begins
Pray for Lilly G	Pray for our School	Pray for Elouise	Pray for Evangeline	Pray for Luka
Willett	Oboza; Brief	O'Neal	Kolka	Help needed!

Upcoming Dates:

- April 21: 12-2:30pm 4/5 Grade Swimming Safety
- April 23: Track @Inland Lakes
- April 24: 3-7 grade/Great Lakes Center for the Arts – Artists in Residency @St. Mary
- April 24-May 1 Book Fair
- April 27: Track@Central Lake
- April 29: 6pm Spring Music Program/Art Show
- May 1 3:15pm Parent Meeting