



Wearing of the Green

Friday, March 16, students will have a Jeans Day. On this day they may add a wee bit o' green to their outfit. All the usual regulations for Jeans Day are in place—full length jeans that are blue and not holey with a uniform shirt or St. Mary's t-shirt. In honor of St. Patrick, they are welcome to add some green in the form of a tie, scarf, bow, necklace, hat or pin. Teachers may ask students to remove the greenery if it becomes a distraction.

Miss Murray will send a Scrip order tomorrow. Need gift cards for Easter??



The third nine weeks ends on Friday, March 9.

Kindergarten Conferences are this Friday, March 9

Kindergarteners do not have school that day.



ST. MARY SCHOOL FAMILY NOTES

March 5, 2018

Children's Masses
Tues., Mar. 6, Gr. 4 goes to Hickory Estates at 10:30.
Thurs., Mar. 8, Kindergarten will lead the 9:00 Mass.
Please join us!

St. Mary's Booster Club will host three more Lenten fish fries. Fish Fries are from 5-7 pm in the cafeteria. Each fish fry is covered by parents from our different grades. Those families are asked to send desserts and assist with serving & clean-up on their assigned evening. You'll receive a phone call from the work coordinator asking for your help.

Parent Helper Schedule:

- *March 9 - Grades 1 & 2
- *March 16—K & 6
- *March 23 - Grade 5
- *March 30—no fish fry.

Kids whose parents are working a Fish Fry may attend After Care for FREE, but they must sign in & STAY with the supervisors until picked up.

1st Communion Parent Meeting



Thursday, March 8,
at 7:00
in the Library

At least one parent must attend if your child will be making their First Communion this year on May 6 at 2:00.

Thank you in advance to Mrs. Olivia Waterman



who will conduct vision and hearing screenings for the required grade levels. Mrs. Waterman will screen students on Thursday, March 8.

SPRING FLING

"Spring Fling", will be held on Saturday, April 21, at the American Legion Hall in Stonington. Tickets are on sale. For \$100 you receive two dinners & select beverages as well as the chance to win \$5000 & bid on some great prizes. Tickets are coming home backpack mail next week.



Living Stations of the Cross

5th grade students will present Stations of the Cross on Wed., March 14, at 2:00 in the church. Please join us for this special interpretation of the Passion of our Lord.



Please send in any wine you'd like to donate to the Spring Fling Wall of Wine. I promise they'll make it to the Legion intact. Thank you to those who have already donated!

Uniform Note:

Shorts and skorts will be allowed beginning April 1.

St. Mary's Kindergarten Open House for 2018/19

Let us know if you're attending!

We will hold an informational meeting for parents on the evening of Thursday, March 22. On Friday, March 23, next year's kindergarten students will be invited to join the current class during the school day for some fun activities from 9:30 to 10:30. While the children enjoy activities in the kindergarten room, adults will take a tour of our school.

If you know families who might be interested in sending a kindergartener to St. Mary's next year, pass along this information and ask them to contact us.



Special Lenten

Activities for our youngest students. Mrs. Harrison and several upper grade PSR students will welcome children ages preschool through Gr. 1 to a special hour of activities based on scripture each Sunday of Lent during 11:00 Mass. Children can be dropped off at the side doors of the school at 10:45. While parents and older children attend Mass, the little ones will hear Bible stories, learn songs, and participate in activities designed especially for them!

Preschool Registration

For 2018-2019 will go out to current St. Mary's families in backpack mail on March 12. Students in this year's 3-year-old class will receive registration materials via backpack mail and may return the forms via backpack mail. After our school and preschool families have had the opportunity to register, we will have open enrollment to families in the parish with a new preschooler and then the public.



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Coming Events

- ***Iowa Assessments**—Gr. 3 & 5—March 5-9
- ***St. Mary's Night at Florinda's**—March 7
- ***1st Communion Parent Meeting**—Mar. 8, 7:00
- ***Kindergarten Conferences**—March 9
- ***End of 3rd Quarter**—March 9
- ***No p.m. bus service**—Tues., Mar. 13—public schools dismiss at 1:00
- ***Living Stations of the Cross**—Wed., March 14, 2:00 in church
- ***Report Cards go home for Gr. 1-6** - Thurs., March 15
- ***Jeans Day for Students**—Fri., March 16
- ***Parish Penance Service**—Fri., Mar. 16, 5:30 in church
- ***Kindergarten 2018-19 Parent Meeting**—Mar. 22, 7:00 in the library
- ***No Preschool**—March 23
- ***Kindergarten 2018-19 School Visit**—Mar. 23, 9:30 to 10:30
- ***All School Sing**—Sat., March 24, 6:00 Mass—2nd graders walk in Palm Procession w/ Monsignor
- ***Good Friday**—No School—March 30
- ***Easter Break**—March 30—April 8
- ***St. Mary's Trivia Night**—April 7 at K of C
- ***Spring Fling**—April 21
- ***Music Festival**—Gr. 4-6—April 27
- ***1st Communion**—May 6, 2:00 Mass
- ***Muffins for Moms**—May 10 in cafeteria before school
- ***Mothers' Day Mass**—May 10, 9:00
- ***Last Day of Preschool**—May 11
- ***Awards Assembly**—May 15, 1:30 in church
- ***6th Grade Graduation Mass**—May 23 at 7:00 p.m.