

Off to a great start with this crazy bunch as our school leaders!



Looking forward to lots of good days with our sixth graders!

ST. MARY SCHOOL

FAMILY NOTES

August 28, 2017 www.st-maryschool.com

Children's Mass on Thur., Aug. 31, at 9:00 a.m. Our 5th graders will lead the Mass. Please join us.

Students dropped off before 8:05 must go to Before Care.

If you are parking on Main St. to drop off older students, please leave lots of room at the end of the north alley for buses to drop off. The bus drivers had to let children out between parked cars last week, and this is not safe. They are not required to bring our students to our property; the drivers do this because they are considerate. Leave them room to work!

P.M. Pick Ups

Remind anyone picking up for you that they **must** go through the line to pick up children. We will not allow people to pull students out of line to get into a parked car. The car line is the safest way to dismiss.



**First mandatory Booster Club Meeting & Parent Orientation Night:
Tuesday, September 5**

Parent Orientation, a chance to visit your child's classroom and hear from the teacher, will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the school. Parents will attend 15-minute sessions in each of their children's classrooms. Teachers will present information on classroom rules, curriculum, and other items of interest. The teachers will repeat the session 3 times (at 6:00, 6:15, and 6:30) so that families with more than one child can visit all the appropriate classrooms. If you have only one room to visit, I suggest attending the 6:30 session, then moving directly to the **Booster Club** meeting at 7:00 in the cafeteria. If you have 2 rooms to visit, start at 6:15 and so on. (Four kids? You'll have to divide and conquer!)

St. Mary's Fiesta Sept. 15, 16, and 17

Monsignor has asked that all school families work a shift or donate in some way to the success of the Fiesta. If you haven't already signed up, use form that came home in backpack mail to indicate how you can help.



This Friday, Sept. 1, our students will receive a treat! Mr. Ernie Dorchinecz and Mr. Gary Decourcy have purchased bomb pops for everyone. Last May our stu-

dents wrote "mail call" letters to these veterans as part of their Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. They were so touched (and tickled!) by the letters that they are providing a treat for the whole school! The red, white, and blue popsicles were the perfect snack.

These treats may not work for some of our students with identified allergies. Please contact the school if you have a concern.

SCHOOL FORMS

Make sure you turn in all of the required forms from the packet handed out on Day 1. The handbook is on the website under Principal's Page.

Remember:

- **Kindergarteners need eye, dental & physical exams on file at school**
- **2nd graders need dental exams on file at school.**
- **6th graders need a physical and dental exam on file.**
- **Make sure you've *signed* the physical form.**
- **Many of you signed the opt out for pictures that identify your child for newspaper articles, and posts on our school Facebook page. Your child will still be in pictures—just not identified by name.**

Before/After Care

Fill out Before &/or After Care registration forms if your child will attend either program even if they will only attend occasionally. The forms give supervisors information needed in emergencies. Supervisors do not have access to the files in the school office, so the contact numbers and medical information you supply them are a necessity.

You may pay for these programs daily or monthly. Mrs. Chance handles billing. Please send payments to the school office.

Students at After Care may wear shorts, but they must be at least fingertip length. Shoes cannot be changed.

Protecting God's Children

This program, required for all new volunteers, will be presented at St. Mary's on Thurs., Sept. 7, at 6:00 in the Cafeteria. Call or send a message to school if you will attend. Completing this program is mandatory for anyone teaching, chaperoning field trips, coaching, or supervising students on the playground or at lunch, whether alone or as an assistant. All schools require criminal background checks for their volunteers. This program educates adults about signs exhibited by abused children & concludes with completion of documents needed for a background check. If you completed the program in a previous year, you don't need to attend. again.

Medications at School

St. Mary School personnel will keep and/or dispense any type of medication to children ONLY when the appropriate form, signed by a doctor, is on file in our office. Parents, or a person designated by a parent, may come to the school to give medication to a child as needed.

Lunch Schedule

K—1	11:25 to 12:15
2—3	11:50 to 12:35
4—5	12:15 to 1:00

Student lunches are \$2.80.

Extra milk is \$.30

If you plan to join your child for lunch, send a note or call before 9:00 a.m. so that a meal will be prepared for you. Cost of adult lunch is \$3.50. Please do not combine lunch money with any other payments as it must go to a separate account.



Coming Events...

- *Scrip Orders due—Aug. 30
- *Children's Mass—Thurs., Aug. 31, 9:00—Gr. 5 leads
- *Eucharistic Adoration—Sept. 1
- *Labor Day—No School— Sept. 4
- *4 Year Old Preschool begins—Sept. 5
- *Parent Orientation—Sept. 5, 6:00—6:45
- *Booster Club Meeting—Sept. 5, 7:00, cafeteria
- *3 Year Old Preschool begins—Sept. 6
- *St. Mary's Night at Florinda's—Sept. 6
- *Children's Mass—Thurs. Sept. 7, 9:00—Gr. 4 leads
- *Board of Education Meeting - Thurs., Sept. 7, 6:00 in library
- *Protecting God's Children - Thurs. Sept. 7, 6:00, cafeteria
- *Blessed Virgin Mary's B'day—Fri., Sept. 8— food collection
- *PSR begins—Sunday, Sept. 10
- *Children's Mass—Thurs., Sept. 14—Gr. 3 leads
- *11:30 dismissal—Friday, Sept. 15—Faculty Retreat
- *St. Mary's Fiesta—Sept. 15-17!

SCHOOL DIRECTORY

The School Directory will be out soon. Notify us of any changes in address or phone number.