



Happy Birthday Mary! The students enjoyed birthday cake today at lunch in honor of Mary's birthday.

ST. MARY SCHOOL FAMILY NOTES September 8, 2025

Children's Mass on Thurs., Sept 11, 2025 3rd grade will lead

Family members and parishioners may attend. It's been our custom for family members to have a quick visit with their students after Mass, this is once again permitted.



Gym Signs: If you would like to purchase gym sign or renew an existing gym sign please turn in paperwork and money to the office in an envelope marked GYM SIGNS. If you have questions, please contact the school office (217) 824-6501

Gift Card Order:
Please find the order form for gift cards attached.

Miss Murray will send in an order on Tuesday, Sept. 16. If you want to order, please have money and order turned in by Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. Please send in an envelope marked "Gift Card Order"

Band is on Tuesday & Thursday. Students need to get into the habit of bringing their band instruments back on those days.

Students dropped off before 8:05 must go to BeforeCare.

Kids need to be ready to get out! Let's keep those lines moving!

Dismissal: *Remind anyone picking up for you not to get in line more than 15 minutes before dismissal.* For safety all drivers picking up students must go through the car line.

Mega Moolah Fundraiser Packets will be sent home Tues. Sept 16. Please return tickets, money and tracking sheet. 1st drawing is Friday Oct 3rd. Families earn \$ for \$ toward fundraising quota

Reminder that part of the parent contract is to work a shift at Fiesta, donate a basket, or donate \$50.00.

We really need the help to make this a success!

Please label all money that you send in. We're collecting for Festival Raffle and Meat Raffle, Before and After Care, lunch tickets etc. Help us keep it all straight!



A Friendly reminder:

When picking up students and waiting to get in the alley, Please do not block the driveways of the neighbors. Please be respectful of the neighbors

Picture Day!

Interstate Studio will be here on Wednesday, October 15 to take individual pictures of our students, preschool thru Gr. 6. This is be a non-uniform day.. Athletic shoes are still required even though it is a non uniform day.



Mark your calendars— All School Sings are Back!! Our 1st All School Sing is Sept 14th at 11:00 a.m. Mass. Be in the Choir loft by 10:50

I hope everyone can join us! The Parishoners LOVE to hear the kids sing!

Bake Sale will be after Mass

*** Students will also sing under the Main Tent at 12:45 p.m. Look for Mrs Coady and Mrs Harrison

Important Date and Time Change

Due to Festival set up this week, the School Advisory Board Meeting has been moved to Thurs., Sept. 18 @ 5:30 p.m.—school library

Reminders:

- If you haven't already, turn in 1st day packet information
- Turn in Athletic Interest Forms
- If you plan to chaperone, volunteer etc., you must complete Protecting God's Children and background Check paperwork. Ask the office to send home paperwork if you need another copy
- If you haven't sent in items for Birthday Bags, please do that this week



Lunch Schedule	
4, 5 & 6	11:00 to 11:45
Pre K & K	11:30 to 12:15
1,2,3	12:00 to 12:45

Cost is \$3.50, \$0.40 reduced Extra milk is \$.35

- *Your child may bring a lunch from home, but restaurant food is not allowed in accordance with our lunch program agreements.
- *Please do not combine lunch money with any other payments as it must go to a separate account.
- * Family Members may eat lunch with students, Please call th office by 9:00 am for lunch count . The cost

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.



The Catholic Church celebrates the birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary each year on September 8. Since we are a "Mary" school, we honor the Blessed Mother on her birthday. This year we will be making birthday bags to donate to the Local Food Pantry. You may start bringing items to school week of Sept 2nd

- Pre- K : Birthday Bags
- K: Cake Mix (1)
- 1st: Can of Icing (1)
- 2nd: Package of candles (1)
- 3rd: (2) packs of small colored napkins
- 4th: (2) packs of colored forks
- 5th: (2) packs of small colored plates
- 6th: (1) Birthday Banner & (1) pack of birthday hats

Coming Events...

- *Blessed Virgin Mary's Birthday Monday, , **Sept 8 Birthday Bag items collected all week**
- *Sept 9 Taylorville Estates Mass Gr 5 9:30 am
- * Singing Saints practice Sept 9
- *2:20 Dismissal—Wed., Sept. 10, bus service
- *Children's Mass—Thurs., Sept. 11—Gr. 3 Midterm grades posted for Gr. 3-6, Sept. 12
- * **Friday, Sept 12 11:30 Dismissal Pre-K gr. 6 NO Aftercare NO BUS Service**
- ***Fall Festiveal Fri Sept 12= Sun Sept 14**
- * **Sunday, Sept 14 All School Sing 11:00 Mass Bake Sale Following Mass**
- * **Children Sing under the tent 12:45 pm**
- ***MONDAY SEPT 15- NO SCHOOL- tear down Festival tents**
- * **MEGA MOOLAH TICKET SALES BEGIN Tues Sept 16**
- * Singing Saints choir practice Sept 16
- *Wed. Sept 17 2:20 Dismissal w/ Bus service
- * **THURS Sept 18 NO MASS TODAY**
- * Thurs. Sept 18- School Advisory Board Meeting 5:30 p.m. School Library
- * Friday, Sept 19 Children's Mass 9:00 Gr 2
- * Tuesday, Sept 23 Singing Saints Choir Practice 3:00- 3:45
- * Wednesday Sept. 24 **3:00 dismissal no Bus Service**
- * **Wed Sept 24- Parent Meeting for Reconciliation 6:30 p.m. Library (2nd Grade parents**

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Glory Be

Glory Be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen

Grade Book to check your child's progress, get teacher emails etc

www.digitalacademy.com

School website address

www.st-maryschool.com

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 *sign* the physical form.**



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.

