

Classroom Times

Our Studies

Religion - Lent; Wisdom books of the Bible; Ch. 8 test Tuesday. 6th graders lead the Seder Meal on Thursday. **Midterm prayers due Thurs., April 2!**

Reading - Novel study of "Frightful's Mountain." This is the third book in the trilogy written by Jean Craighead George!

Math - Coordinate Plane

English - Interjections and possessive nouns

Social Studies - Ancient Egypt

Vocabulary A - Z - No A - Z this week! We will be busy with Seder Meal and Coordinate Plane activities!

Wish list: Thin-lined Expo markers (black,) Clorox wipes, Kleenex cube style boxes

SAVE THE DATE! Thursday, May 14 - "A Wonderful Life" banquet honoring the graduating classes from St. Mary School from the years 2020 - 2026, featuring guest speaker Bob Welch, author of "52 Little Lessons from It's a Wonderful Life." Bob is traveling all the way from Oregon to meet the kids who have touched his heart through virtual meets. Be on the lookout for an invitation coming soon! Doors open at 5:30 pm; dinner begins at 6:00 pm.

Important Events Ahead

Enjoy this [video](#) showcasing the highlights of our 6th grade year so far!

"A Wonderful Life" Celebration information is listed in the calendar below. For more information on the background of this event, please read this [article](#) published on Substack and written by author, Bob Welch.

Thank you to the Bertelsen and Hempen families for sending goodies and drinks for our movie day party! We watched the movie, "Hidden Figures."

Hats off to 3rd - 6th graders for their excellent behavior at the THS musical "All Shook Up!" on Thursday! All students made a respectful and appreciative audience! What a thrill to see two St. Mary alumni in lead roles...Olivia Garren and Ella Hohenstein!

Baby bottles - 6th grade is currently in THIRD place in the Baby Bottle Race for Loving Arms! Please continue to send in your baby bottles filled with donations

Saturday, March 28 - Open House noon - 3pm at St. Mary School

Sunday, March 29 - Palm Sunday Mass with 6th graders reading parts in the Passion at 11 am Mass; All School Sing and bake sale

Monday, March 30 - Children's Mass at 9am with 5th grade leading

Tuesday, March 31 - Chrism Mass

Wednesday, April 1 - Shorts and skorts may be worn; 2:20 dismissal with bus service. Pepsi fundraiser orders and money are due.

Thursday, April 2 - Midterm prayers due today. Seder Meal at 9am in the gym; please join us! Holy Thursday Mass at 7pm.

Friday, April 3 - Sunday, April 12 - Spring break! Enjoy your time off!

Monday, April 13 - School resumes.

Tuesday, April 14 - 6th grade Mass at Hickory Estates

Wednesday, April 15 - 2:20 dismissal with bus service

Friday, April 17 - Rita Briggs will visit our classroom to teach us about her sister, Mary Beth Walden. Both Rita and Mary were St. Mary School alumni. Mother/Son Nerf Gun event.

Sunday, April 19 - All School Sing at 11 am Mass; bake sale following

Wednesday, April 22 - 2:20 dismissal with bus service

April 27 - May 1 - Dress Down Days to raise money for 6th grade graduation field trip

Thursday, April 29 - 3:00 dismissal; no bus service!

Friday, May 1 - Eucharistic Adoration; final prayers are due

Sunday, May 3 - Singing Saints at 11 am Mass

Monday, May 4 - 6th grade retreat at Corpus Christi Priory in Springfield; bring sack lunches and drinks; uniform day

May 4 - 8 - Teacher appreciation week

Wednesday, May 6 - 2:20 dismissal with bus service

Thursday, May 7 - Muffins for Moms 7:15 - 8 am

Friday, May 8 - Q & U wedding; 6th graders may dress up as a Letter Person for the day!

Monday, May 11 - Last Booster Club meeting at 6 pm followed by 6th grade reception

Wednesday, May 13 - 2:20 Dismissal with bus service

Thursday, May 14 - Kindergarten and 6th graders lead the Mass honoring our seniors; reception in the cafeteria for kindergarten, 6th graders, and seniors. Seniors will visit the classrooms. ["A Wonderful Life" banquet](#) in the evening honoring 6th grade students from 2020 - 2026, featuring Bob Welch as the speaker. Parents of these students are invited as well. Doors open at 5:30. Invitations are being sent; RSVP by Friday, April 24 by completing the QR code or calling the parish office at (217)824-8178.



Friday, May 15 - Field Day

Monday, May 18 - 6th grade field trip to St. Louis; non-uniform; dress code will be sent with permission slip; sack lunches and drinks are needed. Late arrival home.

Tuesday, May 19 - Awards Day 1:15 pm in the church

Wednesday, May 20 - Last day of school! 11:30 dismissal; no bus service. Graduation Mass for 6th graders begins at 6:30 pm. Dress code and more information about graduation will be coming home soon.

Check the weather! It fluctuates throughout the day. Please make sure your child is wearing a warm coat, gloves, & hat or hood each morning. We try to have outdoor recess as much as possible!

Coats and Outside:

1. Students need to have a crew neck, hoodie, light jacket, 1/4 zip on for outside play if the temperature is 50 or below
2. If the temperature is below 40 then students need to have a coat to play outside
3. Temperatures above 50— students can decide if they want to wear a sweatshirt/jacket etc.
4. Children without a proper coat will not be allowed to go to outdoor recess.

