

SAINT MARY ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER

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September 6, 2011



CATHOLIC IDENTITY SCHOOL LITURGY

Please join us each Thursday at 8:15 a.m. in the gym for our all-school liturgy. This week's liturgy is being planned by 6D. Parents, grandparents, and parishioners are invited to join us at mass each week.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT For Parents Only Pre-School - 3rd grade

TONIGHT

Back-to-School Night will be held tonight, September 6th, for parents of students Pre-school - 3rd grade. We will begin in the cafeteria at 6:30 p.m. then dismiss to the classrooms for informational sessions with your child's teachers. The evening will conclude promptly at 8:00 p.m. We look forward to seeing you at our Back-to-School Nights!

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING FOR COACHES AND VOLUNTEERS

If you wish to be a volunteer who has regular contact with the children in our school, coach a sport's team, go on class field trips, or attend classroom parties, and you have not attended the Safe Environment Training, you must participate in the mandatory "Honor Thy Children Safe Environment Training Program". Saint Mary Academy will be hosting a session at our school on Wednesday, September 7th, from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

If you are interested in seeing dates and times for these sessions, please visit www.archlou.org and enter the search words Honor Thy Children.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY

Attention all Grandparents: You are very special people in the lives of our students! We want to celebrate all you do for them!

Mark your calendar for Grandparents' Day at SMA on Friday, Sept. 9th. Please join us at 9:00 a.m. Grandparents will be treated to donuts and coffee in the cafeteria. Following our

'mini' breakfast, the grandparents will be invited to visit the classrooms of their grandchildren to see all the wonderful things going on in our school. The morning will end around 10:30 with a short presentation from grade levels in the school gym. Hope to see you at Grandparents' Day!

Parents: please RSVP to let us know, via e-mail at julie.tobbe@saintmaryacademy.com if your child's grandparents will be attending. We want to make sure we have plenty of goodies for them.

SMA CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT

Our Second Annual Campus Beautification Project will be held on Sept. 10th from 9am to 12 noon. It's time to tidy up and prepare the campus for fall.

Bring your gloves and rakes for grass seeding and mulch spreading. Please email number of volunteers to Monica Boone at monica.boone@insightbb.com or <mailto:monica.boone@insightbb.com>



INFORMATION SESSION AND TOUR FOR INTERESTED FAMILIES Tuesday, September 20 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Our first Information Session for Interested Families will be conducted on Tuesday, September 20th, in our Media Center from 5:30-7:00 p.m. This Information Session is for parents who may be interested in sending their son or daughter to Saint Mary Academy. We will provide an information packet, a question and answer session, and a tour of our wonderful school. Come find out about all the wonderful educational and formational opportunities offered at Saint Mary Academy.

School Parents, if you know someone who would like to attend this Information session, please ask them to call the school office at 315-2555 to register.



PTO MAGAZINE DRIVE

Quack Quack Quack

The PTO's Annual Magazine Drive is underway! Students will be awarded a "duck" (something new this year) for each magazine or music order. There will be other exciting incentives offered to the students as well. This is one of the PTO's major fundraisers. Let's make this year's Magazine Drive the best yet!!! Let's sell, sell, sell! Magazine monies are going towards laptops for our mobile carts.

Come meet the NEW mascot for our QSP Magazine Drive! YOU could be one of the lucky parents to become close friends with our new, ducky mascot. We need volunteers to help process the magazine orders on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays beginning September 7th. This is a great way to meet other SMA parents, share a few laughs, and help out our school. The process starts at 8am (after carpool) over in the Parish Center in the John Paul II Room. You may stay as long as you are able, but we normally wrap up by 10:30 or so. Copy/paste the following link to your web browser to sign up: <http://www.volunteerspot.com/login/entry/782345638963894081> or email Terri Keller at keller2k@me.com



7TH GRADE DUKE TIP

The following students qualified to participate in the 2011-2012 Talent Identification Program sponsored by Duke University. It is an honor to be selected for this program. A student must have achieved at the 95th percentile on a qualifying standardized test or have scored at or above 125 on an IQ test that was taken in 5th or 6th grade.

Fernando Abril	Kate Anderson
Seth Andrew	Evan Ashby
Austin Bond	Colin Cagata
Dalton Chadwick	Angela Creeley
Isabella Dunn	Kyle Farnsworth
Jacob Horlander	Megan Husted
Ryan Hynes	Owen Johnson
Michael Kerr	John Lage
Patrick Letterle	Cameron Luker
Michael Lyle	Alec McGuire
Natalie McKenney	Joey Minatel
Hans Olsen	Joshua Schmidt
Kimberly Schweinhart	Austin Trefes

S.E.E.K.

(Student Enrichment and Exploration of Knowledge)

S.E.E.K. is a program which offers challenging educational opportunities for academically gifted students. Students from four area Catholic schools, St. Aloysius, St. Margaret Mary, St. Patrick, and Saint Mary Academy, come together for three (3) days in the fall (Grades 6-8) and three days in the spring (Grades 5-7) to explore unique areas of study. To qualify, a student must achieve at least a 93 NP Core Total on the most recent Standardized Testing. Congratulations to the following students who qualified for Fall S.E.E.K.

6TH Grade

Allie Clements	Julia Dailey
Madison Dailey	Gabriella Floro
Clay Foye	Emily Guernsey
Kaelin Harris	Chris Keller
Lauren Lemonds	Emily Nolan
Eli Noltemeyer	Emma VonBehren
Lauren Whyte	

7th Grade

Kate Anderson	Seth Andrew
Austin Bond	Megan Husted
Patrick Letterle	Cameron Luker
Joey Minatel	Joshua Schmidt

8th Grade

Madeline Abell	Mary Boss
Stephanie Keller	Ben Kopriva
Andy Letterle	Julia Mathes
Michael Morris	Conor Mullaney
Kerry Mullaney	Jake Randolph
Jillian Sauer	Brad Stephenson
Paul Zoeller	



SKATING PARTY

It's Time to SKATE!

When- Thursday, September 8th from 6:00-8:00

Where- Champs Rollerdrome 9851 Lagrange Rd.

Who- Our SMA family and any friends, family member or neighbors who want to join us!

Cost- \$5.00 admission and \$1 skate rental.

****Parents skate FREE!**

Fun! Fun! Fun! Door prizes too!



CAFETERIA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

VOLUNTEER AND HELP THE SMA CAFETERIA!
IT'S FUN AND THE KIDS LOVE TO SEE YOU!

SIGN UP THROUGH THE SMA WEBSITE, GO TO THE
SCHOOL LIFE SECTION. THE CALENDAR ON THE
WEBSITE WILL BE UPDATED AS NEEDED.

ANY QUESTIONS OR TROUBLE
PLEASE CALL OR E-MAIL.

502-741-5888 OR
SHARALEA.BOLLINGER@INSIGHTBB.COM

LAST CALL FOR CHESS CLUB

Any students in grades K-8 interested in learning about the game of chess? Coaches from CTPELLC (*Chess Teaching and Performance Evaluation*) will come to our school each Tuesday for 15 weeks to teach the rules of the game and assess play. The cost of the program is \$95.00 a child. Please contact Ms. Tobbe at Julie.tobbe@saintmaryacademy.com **no later than September 9th**, if you are interested in being a part of this club. There must be a minimum of 10 students interested for this to be offered.

TARDIES

We will begin counting tardies today, Tuesday, Sept. 6th. Students **MUST** be in their classrooms by 7:55 a.m. or they will be marked Tardy.

Please help your children have a great day by getting them to school in plenty of time for them to get their supplies together and get prepared for the day. Our doors open at 7:20 a.m. and that there is supervision in the cafeteria by teachers beginning at that time. (See the Policies and Procedures Manual for our Tardy Policy – it is on our webpage.)

LOST AND FOUND

Already, there are pieces of clothing and lunch boxes in our Lost and Found. If your child is missing a uniform, sweater, sweatshirt, lunch box, etc., please take some time when you pick up your child or on the weekends to check out the Lost and Found cabinet located in the cafeteria.

PICTURE DAY!

Mark your calendar! Picture Day is coming Monday, September 26. Look for more information on your child's Picture Day flyer/order form. Visit Lifetouch.com for clothing suggestions, online payment details, and more.

THANK YOU

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the girls Field Hockey team and to all of the families that graciously contributed to the "Winstel Wellness Fund." Because of your overwhelming kindness and generosity we were able to pay all of my medical expenses.....such a huge burden lifted. I can't thank you enough for that. A big thank you goes out to all of the families that brought us delicious dinners throughout my recovery. You were life savers! And thank you to everyone who kept my family in their prayers. Thankfully, the prayers were answered and I have not felt this well in years. We are very blessed to be a part of the SMA family! Again, we are so grateful and thanks to all of you from the bottom of our hearts!
Love, The Winstel Family

The SMA Sporting News

By Jeff Medley - Athletic Director

Saint Mary Academy teams continued to practice hard through this past week even though most teams had the weekend off due to the holiday. As we look forward, more specifics have come into focus for the homecoming parade.

The Homecoming Parade will be Friday, September 16th. We will assemble at SMA beginning at 5:30 and around 6:00 begin parading down Highway 1694 and through Norton Commons and gather in the Town Square for a huge Pep Rally and introduction of the Fall Sport teams.

This year, we would also like to invite the archery team to celebrate their success. After the introduction of the teams and a few cheers, there will be music and food. Kareem's will again be cooking out. The cost of a meal will be a per item charge determined by Kareem's but reasonable as always. The Athletic Board will be providing free bottled water. Since the event is at Norton Common's, no personal coolers or beverages are permitted, but there will be plenty available. Please make plans to show off your SMA Spirit!!!! If you have vehicle available or would like to participate in the parade please contact either Jeff Medley (210-2596) or Andy Powell (432-2812) for details.

Continue to watch the Tuesday newsletter and website for news about winter sports sign-ups as they are right around the corner.

DOMINO DOUGH NIGHTS

The Domino's Restaurants owned by Tom Reynolds are once again offering the Domino's Dough Nights each month as a fundraiser for Saint Mary Academy. Domino's will donate to Saint Mary Academy \$2 for each order and \$1 extra for each additional side item (like cheesy breadsticks, buffalo wings, cinna-stix, etc.). It's a great chance to have a no-cooking night and earn money for our school at the same time!

The first Domino Dough Nights for this year are next week, Sept. 12, 13, and 14th. You just need to say SMA during the order or if online, there is a place to check. Choose a night for pizza next week, and help SMA at the same time!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Back to School Night:**
 - Sept. 6 – Pre-school-Grade 3 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the cafeteria
- Sept. 7 – Safe Environment Training at SMA 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- Sept. 7 - PTO Mtg at 6:30 p.m. in the library
- Sept. 8 - Skating Party - Drama Club hosting at Champs - LaGrange Road from 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- Sept. 9 - Grandparents' Day at SMA
- Sept. 10 - Beautification Day at SMA
- Sept. 12-14: Domino Dough Nights
- Sept. 16 - SMA Homecoming – Parade at 6:00
- Sept. 26 - Picture Day



PRINCIPAL POINTS

Dear Laborers (Parents),

Labor Day is not a celebrated holiday within the church year; however, how could we forget to thank God for the gifts of laborers and laboring. In the weekend liturgy, my pastor began the Eucharistic prayer with the words, “Everything from God is good.” In our country, there are many without jobs.

Our church teaching on the dignity of labor is just one aspect of the social teaching that we build into our children’s faith formation. It embraces more than a just wage and honest day’s work. While this is important, for Christians it includes the building up of the church and establishing God’s blueprint in our world.

Even the word “liturgy” means the “work of the people doing the work of God.”

“Let us pray: That we may see the ways in which we can be God’s ambassadors of reconciliation as we work both inside and outside our homes.

Lord, touch our hearts and strengthen our hands.

On this Labor Day weekend, when we rest from our usual labors, loving Father, we pray for all who shoulder the tasks of human labor-in the marketplace, in factories and offices, in the professions, and in family living. We thank you, Lord, for the gift and opportunity of work; may our efforts always be pure of heart, for the good of others and the glory of your name. We lift up to you all who long for just employment and those who work to defend the rights and needs of workers everywhere. May those of us who are now retired always remember that we still make a valuable contribution to our Church and our world by our prayers and deeds of charity. May our working and our resting all give praise to you until the day we share together in eternal rest with all our departed in your Kingdom as you live and reign Father, Son, Holy

Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.” (adapted by Robert Bender)

Thank you for all that you do for Saint Mary Academy!

God bless,
Julie Tobbe, M.Ed.



What GRADE Would Your KIDS Give Your MARRIAGE?



WANT TO PASS WITH FLYING COLORS?

All you have to do is attend a
Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!

Marriage Encounter is a weekend where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones—and focus only on each other. If you’d like greater depth, growth, and enrichment in your relationship, you’ll like the difference a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend can make!

Weekend Dates:

**Louisville Flaget Retreat Center October 7-9, 2011
Begins @ 8:00PM Friday thru 4:00PM Sunday**

Weekends fill up quickly, so a prompt response is encouraged.

For more information or to register, contact:

LOCAL CONTACT INFO

**email: kgott@insightbb.com phone: 502-895-8997
web site: section6.wwme.org**

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULES

Immaculate Conception

Saturday – 5:00

Sunday – 8:00 and 10:30

St. Bernadette

Saturday – 5:00

Sunday – 8:30 and 11:00