

SAINT MARY ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER

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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 5B. Parents, grandparents, and parishioners are invited to join us at mass each week.



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

Our first Information Session and Tour 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 fantastic 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.

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.



GRANDPARENTS' DAY

What a wonderful turnout for our third annual Grandparents' Day at SMA! We had over 350 grandparents visiting their grandchildren on Friday, sharing donuts and coffee with us, and enjoying songs, poems, and stories shared by the students.

If you are a grandparent and would like to receive our weekly school newsletter so that you can know firsthand all the wonderful things going on at Saint Mary Academy, please send a quick email to Mary Alice Zettel, Director of Admissions and Recruitment, mazettel@saintmaryacademy.com, and we will add you to our email distribution list.

We thank all the grandparents of our students for their support, and we ask them to keep us in their prayers.





PTO MAGAZINE DRIVE

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.

We need your help! We need volunteers to help process the magazine orders on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. 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

TASTE OF SMA

The Taste of SMA is scheduled for Saturday, February 25, 2012. The planning stage has started for next year's event. We have a meeting this Thursday, Sept. 15 at 6pm in the Media Center and would love to have new volunteers attend. Last year the Taste was held at The Seelbach. It is an adult only evening out with food, silent auction, LIVE auction, and dancing to a band was enjoyed by all. Last year the Taste of SMA fundraising was divided among 3 committees The PTO, Athletics, and Technology. This money is being put to good use in our school as we speak. We need to keep this event growing. Please contact Mary Kay Chadwick at mkchadwick@insightbb.com if you have any questions.



The SMA Sporting News

By Jeff Medley - Athletic Director

SAINT MARY ACADEMY GOLF OUTING: The date for this FUN, fundraiser has been set for Saturday, October 8th, at 5:30 p.m. at Different Strokes Golf Center on English Station Road. This is a very fun event that is open to all couples and skill level doesn't matter. Cost is \$30.00 PER PERSON or \$35.00 DAY OF OUTING and INCLUDES GOLF AND DINNER (DRINKS TO BE PROVIDED AT GOLF COURSE). It is a great evening out, followed by another EXCELLENT meal from Karem's. For more information contact Jeff Brown 296-6909 or Sherry Porter 777-5524.

Saint Mary Academy teams played hard this weekend and did very well in many sports. I would like to send a special thanks to our cheerleaders who continue to inspire great spirit from the Saint Mary Academy fans. I would like to thank all of our coaches who give a lot of time to teach our children how to play the sports that they play. We are blessed at Saint Mary Academy to have many individuals with advanced backgrounds in the sports that they coach.

The Homecoming pep rally at the end of the parade will take place in the lot across from Karem's. Due to new construction, Norton Commons has allocated that lot for our pep rally. During the pep rally the streets around the lot will **not** be closed to thru traffic. This would include Meeting Street and Norton Commons Boulevard, so please be mindful of your children's whereabouts and watch out for each other.

*** Preparation for Basketball Season Begins ***

Those individuals wishing to coach basketball either as head or an assistant coach need to contact the appropriate basketball coordinator prior to October 7th. To coach boys' basketball, contact John Langford at jhn_langford@yahoo.com. To coach girls' basketball, contact Adam Clark at aclark@haverstockkoenig.com. Those wishing to coach will need to fill out a brief application which will be provided after contacting the basketball coordinators. If there is more than one candidate for a specific team, interviews will be conducted and a candidate will be selected.

Volleyball

The 1/2 teams made their grand debut this weekend. All three teams played Friday and Saturday night and won both games. Clean sweep for SMA 1/2. The 6th grade A team got a Win going 14-25, 25-17, 15-12 against Sacred Heart Model. The 6th grade C1 team lost. The 3/4 A Lost to St. Edward. The 3/4B played St. Patrick and lost (Lost 18-25, Won 25-23, Lost 5-15).

Football

1st/2nd grade flag teams: Green team won 25-6 over St. Margaret Mary, Blue team lost a hard fought battle, and Silver team won 6-0. The 3rd/4th grade team beat Holy Trinity 21-7. The 5th/6th team lost 26-12 to St. Bernard, and the 7th/8th team lost 22-8 to St. Nicholas.

*scores not listed were not received prior to submitting this week's newsletter.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 308

Have you ever thought about becoming a Boy Scout? Did you know that St. Bernadette Troop 308 has had twelve boys earn the rank of Eagle Scout in the last two years? Boy Scouts of America is a youth leadership program for boys in grades 6-12 (or ages 11-17). Camping, hiking, archery, rifles, climbing, repelling, sailing, fishing, geocaching . . . and the list goes on. Come join in the fun. Bring a friend. This is a boy led program guided by the principles of the BSA: Duty to God, Duty to

Country, and Duty to Self. Your scout will develop his character, grow in his spirituality, and learn good citizenship. We go on monthly outings and meet on Mondays 7:00pm to 8:30pm upstairs in the Parish Center. For more information contact Scoutmaster Ken Dickerson at (502)412-4204 or 2kDickerson@insightbb.com. It's not just leadership, it's an adventure.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept. 12-14: Domino Dough Nights
- Sept. 15 - School Liturgy at 8:15
- Sept. 15 - 4th Grade Field Trip to Fort Harrod
- Sept. 16- All House Sorting Ceremony (Middle School)
- Sept. 16 - SMA Homecoming & Parade at 6:00
- Sept. 19- Pinwheels for Peace
- Sept. 20 - SEEK classes begin
- Sept. 20 - Information Session and Tour 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- Sept. 23 - Magazine Drive Ends
- Sept. 26 - Picture Day



PRINCIPAL POINTS

Dear Parents,

This past Friday, we celebrated in a variety of ways the people we call grandparents in our lives. We treated them to coffee, juice, and donuts. They listened as the book The Gift of Being Grand, written by Marianne Richmond, was read. Over 300 grandparents visited classrooms, listened to poems and paragraphs written by our fourth and fifth graders, as well as adorable songs and poems by students in preschool thru third grade. Our hope is that when each grandparent left our building that they knew they were a gift.

A few years ago, my grandmother passed away. I was very close to her. We would shop together, go to church together, and spend time cooking/baking together. She taught me about faith, hope, and most of all, she taught me about love. She was a gift from God for me.

We don't often think about people being gifts. They are! The relationships we have in our lives help us develop our own blueprint, plan for life. They help us to construct our minds, hearts, and bodies. We are built up into the gifts that God created us to be.

This weekend, we celebrated grandparents. For many of us, this weekend also reminded us to remember the gifts that so many unselfishly offered on that destructive day ten years ago. These men and women were true gifts that day and remain a foundation for us to build on. As Christians, we are taught to live the paschal mystery. To be willing to die so another may live is the message of Jesus. We may never be asked to give our life in the same manner as these heroes, but we are called to give unselfishly each day. To be a gift to another, without wanting anything in return.

Whether a grandparent or a remembered hero, we have been blessed with many different kinds of gifts. May these grandparents be our inspiration for living as Christ Jesus calls us to live.

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