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Monarch News

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Our Mission:

The mission of Saint Mary Academy is to educate students spiritually, academically, emotionally, and socially through a curriculum rooted in the Roman Catholic faith. Students are educated in a manner that fosters academic excellence, provides a supportive atmosphere and develops students to be morally responsible members of their church and community.

Dear SMA Families,

Today's Gospel story is about four men who carried a paralyzed man to Jesus. Because of the crowd that had gathered around his home, they had to remove the roof of the house in order to get the man to Him. Moved by the faith of his friends, Jesus healed the paralytic.

Although there are many lessons to be learned from this story, the one that stands out to me is the importance of community and supporting one another in our faith through prayer. When we pray for others, or ask them to pray for us, we are helping or enlisting help similar to what the men in the story did for their friend. It may seem easy enough, but often it is difficult to ask for assistance or allow ourselves to be vulnerable. Some of the most powerful experiences I've been blessed to be a part of at SMA involve joining with students and staff to pray for someone within our school family. However, there have also been times in my life when I didn't know how to pray, what to ask for or what I needed. These were the times when I asked others to pray for me and support my faith with theirs. May we always be connected to one another as members of a community of faith and brothers and sisters in Christ.

Have a great weekend!

Mrs. Kelly



CORE VALUES

**Building a foundation
for lifelong learning by:**

- Opening hearts to faith
- Opening minds to knowledge
- Opening hands to service
- Opening eyes to the world
- Achieving extraordinary lives

Important Dates

- 1/21 – MLK Day/No School
- 1/24 – School Liturgy @ 8:15 am
- (1/28 – 2/1) – Catholic Schools Week
- 1/31 – School Liturgy @ 8:15 am
- 2/6 – 4th Gr. Parent Lunch @ 11:45 am
- 2/7 – School Liturgy @ 8:15 am
Science Fair
- 2/9 – Evening of Excellence
- 2/11 – School Liturgy @ 8:15 am
- 2/13 – Class Valentine Parties @ 1:45
- 2/14 – (P-T-S) Conferences
- 2/15-2/18 – Winter Break
- 2/26 – Confirmation @ 7 pm
- 2/28 – School Liturgy @ 8:15/Monarch Awards
End of 2nd Trimester



LAST CALL for Evening of Excellence Tickets

Evening Under the Stars at the
2019 Evening of Excellence
Dinner, Auction, Dancing!
February 9, 2019 at 6:00pm



BUY TICKETS HERE!

<https://stmaryacademy.ticket.qtego.net/tickets/list>
Proceeds from this event fund SMA's
technology department!

Join us on the SMA Facebook page for sneak peeks on our
Auction items, a look into what the event has already done for
the school, and what we hope to fund this year!

<https://www.facebook.com/SMALouisvilleKY/>

If you still have an auction item
contact Tennille Hicks tennille@jhagancapital.com
we need them ASAP!

Thank you so much to our Sponsors!

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Dress Code Reminders and Clarification

Per the SMA handbook, students may wear a religious cross or medal to school, along with a watch. Accessories that allow internet access are not permitted. No other jewelry should be worn to school, including bracelets.

Therefore, students are not permitted to wear apple watches, fitbits or any other accessories that count steps. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

In an effort to keep everyone healthy during these winter months, we offer the following reminder.

I NEED TO STAY HOME IF...

I HAVE A FEVER	I AM VOMITING	I HAVE DIARRHEA	I HAVE A RASH	I HAVE HEAD LICE	I HAVE AN EYE INFECTION	I HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL
						
Temperature of 100 degrees F or higher	Within the past 24 hours	Within the past 24 hours	Body rash with itching or fever	Itchy head, active head lice	Redness, itching, and/or pus draining from eye	Hospital stay and/or emergency room visit

I AM READY TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL WHEN I AM...

Fever free without the assistance of medication for 24 hours (i.e., Tylenol, Motrin, Advil)	Free from vomiting for 24 hours.	Free from diarrhea for 24 hours.	Free from rash, itching or fever. I have been evaluated by my doctor if needed.	Treated with appropriate lice treatment at home.	Free from drainage and/or have been evaluated by my doctor if needed.	Released by my medical provider to return to school.
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If your child has strep throat or another bacterial infection, he/she should stay home until the antibiotic has been given for at least 24 hours and your health care provider has given permission for your child to return to school. We encourage you to seek medical attention when your child is sick and to follow your health care provider's recommendations about returning to school and other activities.



Our next Parent-Teacher-Student Conference Day for Pre-School-8th grade students is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 14th. Students are expected to attend their scheduled conference with a parent, otherwise they will be counted absent. Students in Pre-School-5th grade will meet with homeroom teachers. Middle school students should meet with 1 teacher of their choice.

Sign-Ups for conferences via Sycamore went live on Wednesday, January 16th @ 12 pm.



First time Pre-K went to Mass with 6th grade buddies.

Tuition Assistance Information

CEF is preparing for the launch of the 2019/2020 tuition assistance application period. Beginning December 15, 2018, families can apply for tuition assistance for the 2019/2020 school year. Parents will access the online application via our website www.ceflou.org. Applications will be accepted through February 28, 2019.

If you plan to apply, please pay close attention to the February 28th deadline. This will allow you to participate in the first round of funding. Monies for the second and third round of funding will be considerably less.

A few notes:

1. Families must upload their 2017 Federal tax return and 2017 W-2's to their application. ****Failure to submit these items by the February 28 deadline will cause these families to be placed in the second or third round of funding.****
2. If a family is encountering difficulty with their application, please have them reach out to the FACTS parents help line at 1-866-315-9262

SMA Athletics



**Wow, two more trophies came to SMA this week.
4th Grade Boys – 1st Place Christmas Tournament
4th Grade Girls – 2nd Place Christmas Tournament**



Boys volleyball season is upon us and registration is open for the Spring CSAA season.

Boys of all skill levels are encouraged to register to play. Tryouts are February 19 and 20. The season runs through the month of March and ends by spring break. It is a fun, laid back spring sport for boys. Registration is:

\$75 for grades 5-8

\$65 for grades 3-4

Registration closes February 4 and absolutely no extensions will be offered. So sign up now! To register, go to the SMA Athletics website at <http://saintmaryacademyathletics.com>, click on the big Register Now banner at the top of the page, login and register your son.

Coaches are needed for all grade levels. Please register yourself as a Volunteer/Coach the same way you register your son (just choose you instead of him when doing so).

Email Melissa Bakken, melissabakken@hotmail.com for general questions about boys volleyball.