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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 Parents,

As we continue our journey through this unprecedented school year, together, may we remember that our actions and decisions really do matter and can have a significant impact on others. Your random acts of kindness and encouragement have lifted our spirits. We are grateful for your cooperation and compliance with new protocols, procedures, expectations and decisions related to COVID19. Every day presents new cases, quarantines, questions, scenarios and updated information.

While we remain committed to keeping students and staff safe and healthy, and maintaining in-person instruction, it is important to note that things can change quickly. Most recently we have had 4 positive cases and 55 individuals having to quarantine. While no one plans to get sick or exposed, it creates a ripple effect in the building.

- Some of our students have had to quarantine 3 times for no other reason than being in the wrong place at the wrong time.
- Several of our 8th grade students were not able to receive the sacrament of Confirmation with their classmates because they were quarantined.

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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

(2/1 – 2/4) – Catholic Schools Week

2/3 - School Liturgy (Gr. 5-8) @ 8:15 am
11:30 Early Dismissal

2/4 - School Liturgy (Gr. 2-4) @ 8:15 am

2/5 – PTS Conferences

2/8 – Winter Break – No School

2/17 – Ash Wednesday

2/19 – End of 2nd Trimester

2/20 – Beginning of 3rd Trimester



Please Sign Up For P-T-S Conferences

Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences for all students will take place via zoom on Friday, February 5th from 8am – 6pm.

Student participation is mandatory. School will not be in session for any of our students on conference day.



INCLEMENT WEATHER INFORMATION

When SMA is cancelled, an announcement will be sent via Sycamore and local radio/tv news.

When SMA is delayed, school will begin at 9:55 am with doors opening at 9:30 am.



Bus Registration

In order to reserve a spot on the bus for your child(ren) for the 2021-2022 school year, please remember to register by February 15th. Only (K-8) students are eligible to ride the bus.

NEEDED

We are in need of hand sanitizer and Clorox Wipes

If anyone has extra and would like to donate. Thank you!





We would like to congratulate our SMA 8th graders who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday.



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- Faculty, staff, administrative assistants and administrators are covering classes and have taken on additional responsibilities to keep the kids in the building.

The choices we make do have an impact. In order to remain in-person, we must all recommit to making decisions for the greater good of our students, faculty and staff and school community.

Winter Break - Due to the current travel advisory in place and local community spread, we are asking all families traveling over the long weekend to quarantine for the remainder of the week (2/9 - 2/12) upon your return and show proof of a negative COVID test before students return to school on 2/15. Students are permitted to attend school virtually during this time. Please let Mrs. McConnell know of your plans.

Spring Break - There is a strong possibility that families traveling out of the state or country will have to quarantine upon their return. School leaders in the Archdiocese are in conversation about having a week of NTI following spring break. It is too early to make a decision. A lot will depend on the guidance we receive from the local health department and travel advisories and restrictions in place at the time.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs. Kelly

Catholic Schools Week 2021



February 1 - February 4, 2021

Thank you, Lord, for the gift of time for growing and learning, and for the gift of a Catholic education. We thank you for our faith and for those who offer themselves at the service of our Catholic faith with their very lives.

(Daily Information)

On Monday, Feb. 1, in **Celebration of Vocations**, students may dress like what they want to be when they grow up. Teachers will share with students how they felt called to their vocations. Students will be encouraged to pray about their own vocations by listening for ways God is calling them.

On Tuesday, Feb. 2, in **Celebration of Our Community**, each classroom performs their own random act of kindness and contributes to the creation of our school kindness quilt. There will be a special delivery to nearby healthcare workers and first responders in the area to show our gratitude.

On Wednesday, Feb. 3, in **Celebration of Our Parents**, expect a special note from your child(ren) in appreciation for their Catholic education. There will be a blessing of teachers, staff and homemade blankets for the needy at our morning school liturgy.

On Thursday, Feb. 4, in **Celebrating Faculty, Staff and Students**, there will be a free dress day for students with \$ donations for the Diaper Bank.

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FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR
Grades Preschool 3 through 8th Grade

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Call for a Tour Today!

Just a reminder to complete your current student pre-registration online form for the 2021-2022 school year.

If you have a child who will be new to Saint Mary Academy next year, please contact Admissions at admissions@saintmaryacademy.com or call 502-315-2552 for a new student application.

