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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.

**We are so proud of our 2018 Graduates!
Remember that you all are called and loved.
SMA will always be a place that
you can call home.**



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

- 5/18 – Blood Drive @7:30 in SMA Cafeteria
- 5/19 – Father/Daughter Camp Hi Ho @ 1:00 pm
- 5/20 – 7th Grade Confirmation Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- 5/21 – Kindergarten Celebration @ 1:00 pm
- 5/22 – Field Day (K-5)
- 5/23 – School Liturgy @ 8:15 am
Talent Show @ 1:15 pm
- 5/24 – Last Day of School/11:30 Dismissal

Confirmation Parent & Child
Information Meeting
Mon., May 20th @ 7:00 pm
Saint Bernadette Catholic Church



If your child is in 7th grade and will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next school year (2019 – 2020), make plans to attend this meeting!

If you have any questions prior to the meeting, please contact Elizabeth Auffrey, Director of Children's Formation at 502-425-2210 or elizabeth@stb2008.org



You can make your purchase right now by clicking the link:

[1st Day School Supplies](http://www.1stDaySchoolSupplies.com)



Dress Rehearsal will be on Mon., May 20th at 3:00 PM in the gym.

The Talent Show will be on Thurs., May 23rd at 1:15 PM in the gym.



Wed., Mar. 22nd

Please help our (K-5) kids have a fun-filled day. Sign up to work a station at Field Day!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094ea4a82ca0fa7-smafield1>

**SMA Father Daughter Camp HiHo Event
THIS SUNDAY!**

We are looking forward to the Father Daughter event this Sunday at Camp HiHo (5915 Aiken Road) from 1-5pm. **The full flyer with all details is attached at the end of the newsletter (pg. 7).** Please remember to bring something for your daughter to tie-dye, a towel, getting dirty clothes (may want swimsuit underneath) and water shoes of some type. You *may* also want to bring snacks and a water gun.

Please reach out to Nicole Cooper with any questions at 502.608.1458.

SMA is pleased to announce that Ms. Valerie Thomas has been hired as Curriculum Coordinator of Saint Mary Academy for the 2019 - 2020 school year. Ms. Thomas has a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics from Bellarmine University and a Master of Arts in Teaching from the University of Indianapolis, where she was a Woodrow Wilson Indiana Teaching Fellow. She is certified to teach math in grades 5 - 12 in Kentucky and Indiana and has experience teaching middle school and high school math. She is currently teaching 6th grade math at East Jessamine Middle school in Nicholasville, KY. Ms. Thomas was involved in several research projects at Purdue University and has presented at state and national math conferences.

Welcome Ms. Thomas to SMA!

American Red Cross Blood Drive
Saturday, May 18 (7:30 am – 11:30 am)
in SMA's cafeteria
Please consider donating a pint of blood.

The annual Spirit Wear Sidewalk Sale will be Friday, 5/17 and Monday, 5/20 during afternoon carpool.

Only cash or checks will be accepted.



Enjoy some photos from our Preschool/Pre-K Field Day



Shaheen's Back to School Uniform Sale



Get a head start on next year's homework!

Saturday, June 1 - Monday, July 1



**10% Off Entire
School Uniforms
Purchase**

Call us at (502) 899-1550

Online Code: save10



[Buy One, Get One Free Book Fair - Monday, May 20 - Friday, May 24](#)

Buy One, Get One Free Book Fair - Monday, May 20 - Friday, May 24! Students will have an opportunity to shop during their library class time and after school, Monday-Thursday until 3:30.



The PTO will be holding a used uniform sale in August during Meet the Teacher. If you have any items you would like to donate to the sale, you may leave them in the office at any time between now and the sale. If you would like to sell items at the sale, more details will follow as we near the sale date but please note the following guidelines.

We **will not** accept (1) polo shirts or PE shorts without the SMA logo (2) navy blue or khaki pants and shorts, (3) the old Green PE sweatshirts and sweatpants and (4) non-dress code items.

If you have any questions regarding the sale you can contact Amy Merryweather at amerryweather5511@gmail.com or 502-291-7269.

The results are in for the Knights of Columbus Pull-Tab Competition that benefits the Kids Cancer Alliance. Once again, perennial pull tab powerhouse St. Agnes, has won the much coveted Pull-Tab Trophy. Overall, everyone had a great year. We collected 588 pounds, that is nearly 900,000 tabs. Because of your efforts, a child with cancer will have the opportunity to attend camp this summer. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

John McCarthy

SUMMER MATH REQUIREMENT

Students entering Grades 7 and 8 for the 2019-2020 school year will be required to complete 3 pages a week of the Summer Solutions workbook and log. **Please order your workbook early!!!** (See purchasing information below). Students will be required to turn in their Summer Solutions on the first day back to school. We will expect students to show their work when solving problems.

www.SummerSolutions.net

School Code: **H40059MAR**

Incoming 7th will need Summer Solutions Original Mathematics: Intermediate B

Incoming 8th will need Summer Solutions Original Mathematics: Pre-Algebra

***Students entering Grades 3, 4, 5, and 6 do NOT need to purchase a new workbook.

Those students will complete 3 pages a week of their current Simple Solutions workbook and log.

Available PTO Positions for 2019/2020 School Year

Plenty of research shows that parent involvement increases student achievement. Come get involved...we have the following positions and events open for next school year and several come with a very minimal time commitment.

Mother/Son Event - Plan an outing or event that is for SMA moms & their sons. The options are wide open on what you plan (past events have included a movie, Bats game, Mighty Titans obstacle course & Camp Hi-Ho). The event can take place on or off SMA's campus.

Father/Daughter Dance - Plan the annual dance for SMA dads & their daughters.

Professional development lunches for our teachers - Order lunch (such as pizza or sandwiches), drinks and a snack and set up the day of the event (usually around 11am since these take place on the half days). There are four PD events; you could choose one or all.

Field Day - Coordinate the purchase and distribution of popsicles at field day(s).

PTO does reimburse you for what you spend (each event carries a budgeted amount to work within). You can work alone or recruit a friend to help with any of these activities and if needed, we can help put together a committee.

Please contact Ashley Lyon (Lyon.Ashleym@gmail.com) or Misty Storm (StormFamilyEmail@gmail.com) if you are interested or would like additional information.

SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATIONS

We invite parents to consider taking a leadership role and participate on the SMA School Board. This is an advisory board that helps establish and implement policies for our school in conjunction with Fr. Jeff Nicholas and Principal Lisa Kelly. The school board meets once a month with some intermittent committee work between meetings. Board members serve as ambassadors for the school and are consulted on long range planning, public relations, technology, policy and other issues as needed.

Expectations of School Board Members:

- Are members of St. Bernadette parish and/or parents/guardians of students in the school.
- Have interest in Catholic education and the school's philosophy and mission.
- Are available to attend meetings and to participate in committee work.

If you are interested in participating on the school board, please fill out the nomination form [linked here](#). You can nominate yourself or someone else that you feel would be a good leader for Saint Mary Academy. Please return the form via email to Board Chair Aaron Miller via email at aaronmiller0@gmail.com by Fri., 5/17.



The 5/6 girls St. Aloysius/SMA softball team begins tournament play against St. Margaret Mary on Saturday at 11:30 am at St Rita. If they win, they will play again 2:00. If they win that game, the final game will be played Sunday at 4:30 also at St Rita.

Come out and cheer on these girls. **Good Luck!**



The 7/8 girls team plays against St. Aloysius in round 2 of the CSAA city soccer tournament at St. Athenasius on Saturday, May 18th at 12:45pm on field #1.

Let's cheer on the girls as they compete in the tournament!





Appalachia <http://www.myhandinhand.org/appalachia/>

*Amidst stunning mountains and deep, shaded hollows, Appalachia is home to generations of proud families, many wrestling with the despair of extreme poverty. Our **volunteers** travel to eastern Kentucky repairing homes for those most in need. Will you travel with us to make a difference?*

Who: 20 students in High School or entering 8th Grade in fall of 2019 plus about 5 adult chaperones.

What: Immersion trip to Appalachia, KY (3.5 hr drive) to **Auxier**, KY. Hand in Hand Ministries renovated an unused school and turned it into a retreat house accommodating boys and girls on separate floors.

When: Leave Saint Bernadette Parish **Sunday, August 4** and return Wednesday afternoon, **August 7**.

Where: 3.5 hr drive to **Auxier, KY** to the site of **Hand in Hand Ministry** Where will I stay? You will stay in a renovated school building that's been converted into dorm-like rooms for youth. There are a limited number of semi-private rooms available with separate sleeping quarters for men and women and nine bathrooms. All rooms are air conditioned. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ekFambUjNAA>



Why: A Mission Trip experience: <http://youtu.be/IvuvumWRz9s> What will I do? Small groups will be assigned to a work site for home repair projects, such as wheelchair ramps or interior/exterior renovations. You will work side-by-side with homeowners in Floyd, Magoffin, Johnson or Martin counties in Kentucky. You will hear stories from the family you are working with and visit some of our favorite local places. **One immersion trip will change your life!**

Cost: \$200 (Original price is \$250, however, through fundraisers, the parish will pay \$50 towards each person's cost.) tax deductible (includes meals on site & accommodations) **Make check payable to "Hand in Hand Ministries"**

Information: Contact Victoria VonBusch 502 641-0982, v.vonbusch28@gmail.com or Sharon Schuhmann, 502 815-3103 sharons@stb2008.org

Upcoming Events for Youth Ministry & SMA and GIFT Students going into 8th Grade!

Contact Victoria v.vonbusch28@gmail.com or Sharon sharons@stb2008.org

And Youth Group Meets every Thursday from 6:30 to 8:00!!

Thursday, May 9 @ 6:30 to 8:00
Pizza with the Franciscan Friars



Wednesday, July 17, Holiday World Amusement Park
Must RSVP by June 27!



Sunday through Wednesday, August 4 – 7, Mission Trip to Appalachia (Confirmation Service Hours!)



Thursday – Saturday, November 21-23
NCYC National Youth Conference, Indianapolis, IN



VBS Roar!
Saint Bernadette
June 24-28
9:30am-12:00pm

VBS registration for Participants and for Adult Volunteers
vbspro.events/p/a63639

VBS registration for Youth Volunteers:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E48ABA62EA0FC1-youth>

SMA FATHER/DAUGHTER EVENT

CAMP HI-HO

5915 AIKEN RD

MAY 19TH 1-5 PM



Please join us for this super fun, adventure filled event for all ages!

You & your daughter will make some great memories exploring all the activities planned for the day.



ACTIVITIES YOU CAN EXPECT THROUGHOUT THE DAY:

- Forts: 3 double decker tree forts, a rope swing, a tire swing, zip lining, hammocks, water guns
- Lake: kayaking, fishing, swimming and Slip-n-Slide
- Arts & Crafts: tie-dye, beads, shrinky dinks & face painting
- Horseback Riding
- Tug-o-War
- Kona Ice Truck



Be sure to apply & bring sunscreen & bug spray.

THIS EVENT IS RAIN OR SHINE

***PACK A PICNIC/SNACKS, BLANKET TO SIT ON, SOMETHING TO TIE-DYE, WATER GUNS AND TOWEL.**

***WEAR CLOTHES THAT CAN GET DIRTY (MAY WANT SWIMSUIT UNDER CLOTHES) AND WATER SHOES.**