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Monarch News

May 2, 2019

*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,

On behalf of all the staff at Saint Mary Academy, we wish you and your families a fun and safe Derby weekend!



## 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

5/7 – PTO Meeting @ 6:30 pm

5/8 – 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Parent Lunch @ 12:25 pm

5/9 – School Liturgy @ 8:15 am  
Monarch Awards

5/10 – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat @ Mt. St. Francis

5/14 – School Liturgy @ 8:15 am  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Clapout  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Awards @ 7:00 pm

5/15 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Kings Island Trip @ 7:30 am

5/16 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation @ 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



Auditions will be held on Mon., May 6th at 3 PM in the gym.

1st Rehearsal will be on Mon., May 13th at 3:00 PM in the gym.

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.

Please click on the following link to sign up for the Talent Show.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfhgJGWeV4uwBtyGeUv9jzkMMfCfQDtdGI8GVjf7cUaOfPd4A/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfhgJGWeV4uwBtyGeUv9jzkMMfCfQDtdGI8GVjf7cUaOfPd4A/viewform?usp=sf_link)



**Tuesday, May 7th @ 6:30pm**



SMA would like to recognize Matthew Whalen, a Class of 2016 graduate, who was accepted into the Governor's Scholar Program this summer. GSP is a competitive summer residential program for outstanding high school students in Kentucky who are rising seniors. We are so proud of his accomplishment!

**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.**

SMA wishes the Geroux Family  
and the Van Berg Family  
the Best of Luck this Week in the  
Kentucky Derby and Oaks!





SMA would like to recognize Mrs. Cardosi's and Mrs. Cunningham's 2<sup>nd</sup> graders who received the Sacrament of Holy First Communion.



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

VBS registration for Participants and for Adult Volunteers  
[vbspro.events/p/a63639](https://vbspro.events/p/a63639)

VBS registration for Youth Volunteers:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30EOE48ABA62EA0FC1-youth>

We would like to recognize the students who participated in **the 2019 Duke University Talent Identification Program** 7th grade talent search. Duke TIP is a nonprofit organization dedicated to serving academically gifted and talented students. Duke TIP works with students, their families, and educators to identify, recognize, challenge, engage, and help students reach their highest potential. The 7th Grade Talent Search identifies bright seventh graders based on standardized test scores. Candidates are invited to take the ACT or the SAT college entrance exams as seventh graders, which allows them greater insight into their academic abilities. In addition, they gain valuable benefits and have access to unique resources for gifted students.

The following students participated this year: **Gabriel Argotte, Brady Davis, and Erin Hynes.**

Congratulations to these students on this honorable achievement!

Saint Mary Academy  
 Monday, May 13th

**Come to the**  
*First Ever*  
**Band Club Concert**

**When** | Monday, May 13th, at 7:00pm  
 The Holy Name Band of Louisville will be performing with us!

**Where** | The concert will be held in the SMA gym

**Reserve your spot for the SMA Father Daughter Event!**

This year's SMA Father Daughter event is at Camp HiHo on May 19<sup>th</sup> from 1-5pm. Don't miss the fun! There will be horseback riding, Slip 'n Slide, crafts, fishing, KONA Ice and MUCH more! Tickets are \$25 per family and registration closes on May 10<sup>th</sup>! To join, please fill out BOTH links below. All girls attending must have a registration and waiver form completed.

[Please click here for the Father-Daughter Event Registration form.](#)

[Please click here for the waiver to Camp Hi-Ho.](#)

## 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.

**Communications Chair** - What better way to know what's going on than to be the one who holds the information? This role is part of the PTO executive board. You would share PTO communication with our school community via Sycamore, SMA website & PTO facebook group/page. You would also reserve space and take minutes at the meetings; currently there are 4-5 meetings per year.

**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 campus. Monarch

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

**Box Tops Program** - This is a fundraising program for SMA. You would gather and submit the Box Tops that the students send in throughout the year. There are two submissions dates (October & March) when you would mail the collected Box Tops to the company in order for the school to be paid.

**Kroger Program** - This is a fundraising program for SMA. You would promote the program working to get SMA and St. Bernadette families to assign their Kroger rewards to SMA.

**Field Day** - Coordinate the purchase and distribution of popcicles 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](mailto:Lyon.Ashleym@gmail.com)) or Misty Storm ([StormFamilyEmail@gmail](mailto:StormFamilyEmail@gmail.com)) if you are interested or would like additional information.

### **ATTENTION CURRENT 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> GRADE PARENTS!!!** **SUMMER MATH REQUIRMENT**

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](http://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.

## 2019 May Crowning



### 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](mailto:aaronmiller0@gmail.com) by Friday May 17th.

The SMA K-4 track team participated in the St. Gabriel Invitational on April 29<sup>th</sup>. There were over 270 kids registered for this meet from 12 schools. Here are some of the most notable finishes from the meet:

- Tyus Boston—1<sup>st</sup> in 400m, 2<sup>nd</sup> in 800m for second grade boys
- Toryn O’Kuma—3<sup>rd</sup> in 200m for 1<sup>st</sup> grade girls
- Sarah Braun—1<sup>st</sup> in 100m, 2<sup>nd</sup> in 400m, 3<sup>rd</sup> in 100m for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade girls
- George Butterworth—2<sup>nd</sup> in 400m, 3<sup>rd</sup> in 100m for 1<sup>st</sup> grade boys
- Michael Owens—1<sup>st</sup> in 200m, 2<sup>nd</sup> in 400m for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade boys
- Liam Owens—2<sup>nd</sup> in 200m, 3<sup>rd</sup> in 100m, 3<sup>rd</sup> in 400m for 4<sup>th</sup> grade boys
- Owen Austin—1<sup>st</sup> in 100m, 2<sup>nd</sup> 200m for Kindergarten boys
- Liam Schmidt—2<sup>nd</sup> in 100m, 3<sup>rd</sup> in 200m for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade boys
- Henerik Grove—2<sup>nd</sup> in 200m for 1<sup>st</sup> grade boys



**As part of the yearly sports volunteer policy, every family who participate in sports at SMA must complete at least one volunteer spot for a sporting event AND one for a fish fry.** Although the fish fries are over, there are still spots to volunteer for spring soccer games hosted by SMA. Please see the attached sign-up and help out if you can. We are short of volunteers!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0445a8ae2ca7f58-spring1>

Thank you in advance for your help!

**SMA Athletic Directors**

