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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 we welcomed several hundred grandparents to campus and what a special day it was. As you can imagine, hosting an event of this magnitude requires a lot of planning and preparation and attention to details. The committee did an amazing job. In my mind I was running through the schedule, thinking about what I wanted to say and who needed to be where and when. But, as I looked out at the faces of all those gathered for Mass, something came over me. I was reminded of a quote that I had recently heard. Author Thich Nhat Hanh, reminds us, "Life is precious as it is. All the elements for your happiness are already here. There is no need to run, strive, search, or struggle. Just be." At that moment, that's exactly what I decided to do.

For our grandparents.....

Grandparents are a family's greatest treasure, the founders of a loving legacy, the greatest storytellers, the keepers of traditions that linger on in cherished memory. Grandparents are the family's strong foundation. Their very special love sets them apart. Through happiness and sorrow, through their special love and caring, Grandparents keep a family close at heart. (Author unknown)

Have a wonderful 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

- 9/17 – Safe Environment Training @ 6:30 in cafeteria
- 9/18 – 11:30 Dismissal/Spirit Wear Day
- 9/20 – School Liturgy @ 8:15 am
- 9/26 – Pre-School/Pre-K Parent Lunch @ 11:30 am
Information Sessions @ 9:00 am & 6:30 pm
- 9/27 – School Liturgy @ 8:15 am
- 9/28 – Picture Day/Health Screening
- 10/4 – PTS Conferences
- 10/5 – Fall Break (No School)

SAFE Environment Program

Monday, September 17, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM



Mandatory training for all staff and volunteers who work with children in the parish and school.



September 28th

Use your Kroger Plus Card & help us grow! Click [here](#) for more information.



SMA Families, Mark your calendars, the Monarch Mile is Oct 26th!

The Monarch Mile committee is seeking company and individual sponsors for this year's event. This is a unique opportunity for you or your business to support Saint Mary Academy!

Look for a separate email to find out what a sponsorship means to you or email ab0727@icloud.com

NEW Monarch Mile Yard Signs- Order a personalized sign to be placed along the walk route. **Look for an email Sept 17-18** with instructions on how to order your personalized sign.

Order your family's Monarch Mile T-Shirts! Students can wear Monarch Mile t-shirts or school uniforms on Monarch Mile Day. Monarch Mile t-shirts can also be worn on spirit wear days.

Have a great weekend!

Admissions Corner

Know anyone interested in the Saint Mary Academy experience? Please share the following information for potential families.



SAINT MARY ACADEMY
11311 SAINT MARY LANE

Information Session!
September 26th at 9:00am & 6:30pm
Join us to learn more about all that Saint Mary Academy has to offer to your family!

To register, please contact Krysi Simon, Admissions Coordinator, at 502-315-2555.



Please sign up for P-T-S Conferences

Parent-Teacher-Student conferences for students in K-8th grade will be held on Thursday, Oct. 4th from 8 am to 6 pm. All students and parents are expected to attend their scheduled conference, otherwise it will be counted as an absence. Please note that school is not in session on conference day.

Click [here](#) for directions as to how to sign up for a conference.

Curriculum Corner

The following curriculum sessions will be offered to parents this year. Please come and learn about the academic experiences at Saint Mary Academy! Each session will have a sign up to allow parents to ask questions so the session can be tailored to these parent questions. If you have curriculum questions at any time, please email them to amy.nguyen@saintmaryacademy.com

Curriculum Information Sessions will be at 1:30pm and 6:30pm

(Sept. 20th 9:30 am, 6:30 pm) Mrs. Nguyen and Mrs. Kristi Kelly
Middle School - Find out how middle school is different than elementary school. How can I support my child? What about social media? **Please register [HERE](#).**

(October 10th - Math) - Why does math look different from when I was a kid? Why does it need to look different? How can I support my child?

(November 1st - Grammar, Spelling and Vocabulary) - How do these fit into the curriculum at Saint Mary Academy? Does Saint Mary Academy even teach these?

(January 10th - General Information about the curriculum at Saint Mary Academy) - focusing on Science, Social Studies, Reading, Writing and Religion (driven by parent questions)

Attention: Parents of 8th Grade Students (Information about Optional High School Placement Prep Classes)

Hello, Parents.

I wanted you to know that I have your registrations. Thank you for your flexibility with the schedule. We are set to meet on Monday, Oct. 15 and Thursday, Oct. 18 for the two class sessions. **Your student will need a pencil, highlighter and a two-pocket folder.** He/She is welcome to bring a snack (**NO NUTS**) and a screw-on lid drink for a break before we begin class. I will be at SMA at dismissal, and an announcement will be made where our class will be held. We will meet until 4:45.

The practice test will be on Saturday, Nov. 10, from 1:00 - 3:45 at SMA. The strategies we will cover are helpful for all standardized testing. Taking the practice test gives students a great chance to practice these strategies before the actual 2 1/2 hour test in December. My goal is to have students feel more confident and secure after this class.

I love teaching this class! As always, if you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Mary Helen Klem



SMA would like to thank all our grandparents for visiting our school and making our day so special! We are truly blessed.





Parents,

As a reminder to all families who have children playing sports with SMA, there is a requirement to volunteer for at least one sport activity, and at least one fish fry activity. There have been several sign-up links sent already by the Volunteer Coordinator, and those will continue throughout the year as we continue to host games at SMA. When you log into your Signup Genius account, you will see all of the various sports and options that are currently available. Please sign up so you won't incur a fee at the end of the year!

Athletic Board members

Volleyball

Schedule



SMA Volleyball Games on Saturday, September 15th

Team	Opponent	Gym Location	Date/Time
St. Mary 8th Grade #1	SHMS	St. Mary Academy	9am
St. Mary 8th Grade #2	Holy Trinity	St. Mary Academy	10am
St. Mary 6th Grade #1	Holy Spirit	St. Mary Academy	11am
St. Mary 6th Grade #2	St. Albert	St. Mary Academy	12pm
St. Mary 4th Grade #1	St. Aloysius	St. Aloysius	9am
St. Mary 4th Grade #2	St. Michael	St. Aloysius	12pm
St. Mary 4th Grade #3	St. Aloysius	St. Aloysius	1pm
St. Mary 4th Grade #4	St. Albert	St. Aloysius	2pm
St. Mary 4th Grade #5	St. MM	St. Aloysius	3pm

Football Schedule



Sunday, September 16, 2018

TEAM	W/L	SCORE	OPPONENT	SCORE	SITE / TIME
SMA Flag #1			BYE		BYE
SMA Flag #2			St. Marg Mary		(St. Albert, 2:00)
4 "B" (3rd Grade)			St. Michael/St. Pat		(St. Pius, 1:00)
4 "A" (4th Grade)			St. Michael/St. Pat		(St. Pius, 2:30)
5th/6th Grade			St. Michael/St. Pat		(St. Pius, 4:00)
7th/8th Grade			St. Michael/St. Pat		(St. Pius, 5:30)

Basketball Registration

Believe it or not it's time to register for the 2018-19 basketball season! Registration is earlier than usual this year thanks to the new registration system for CSAA. You can register your son or daughter for basketball (play begins in December) now through October 5. Details are below.

Coaches Needed, Training Clinic Sept. 17

If you are interested in coaching basketball this year, there is a mandatory Safe Environment training class at SMA on Monday, Sept. 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. Please contact Davis Creech, Coordinator (3-8 grade) or Brad Gravatte, Assistant Coordinator or Frank Cupulo (K-2 grade) to volunteer to coach.

Davis Creech, Coordinator = dcreech@hsgadvisors.com; 502-550-6911

Brad Gravatte, Asst. Coordinator = bgravatte@gmail.com; 502-387-8305

Frank Cupulo, K-2 Coordinator = cupolo23@gmail.com; 502-777-1119

All coaches should also register (just like your child does, but with no fee) on the [SMA Athletic Website](#). Simply choose yourself to register, then the role of "Coach" under basketball for the grade or division you are interested in.

Player Registration for 3rd through 8th Grade

For grades 3-8, registration is \$100. Player evaluations will take place the Week of Oct. 22 (3rd/4th Boys, 3rd/4th Girls, 5th/6th Girls, 7th/8th Girls) and Monday, November 5 (5th/6th Boys, 7th/8th Boys) with the first official games tipping on the week of December 1. As in past years, there will be boys and girls teams for 3-4 grade, 5-6 grade and 7-8 grade and our Monarch teams will compete in the CSAA league, complete with a post season tournament.

Register your son or daughter by logging in to your [SMA Athletic Website](#) account and choosing "Register" from the upper right menu. Or by simply visiting the athletic website at <http://saintmaryacademyathletics.com> and clicking on the big registration banner at the top of the page.

For questions about 3-8 grade basketball, contact Davis Creech at dcreech@hsgadvisors.com.

Player Registration for Kindergarten through Second Grade

For grades K-2, registration is \$55. Kindergarten play will be co-ed while first and second grade teams will have separate girls and boys squads. Those teams will include players from both grades like the older divisions. Games will be on Sundays and teams will have one weekday evening practice.

Register your son or daughter by logging in to your [SMA Athletic Website](#) account and choosing "Register" from the upper right menu. Or by simply visiting the athletic website at <http://saintmaryacademyathletics.com> and clicking on the big registration banner at the top of the page.

Coach Cupulo will be in touch with Coaches regarding the draft in October or November with practices beginning in December. The first games for K-2 will not take place until after the holiday break in January.



Friday, September 28, 2018, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage

Invest in Your Marriage! Attend "Laugh Your Way To A Better Marriage". Held on 5 consecutive Fridays (September 28 through October 26) 7pm till 9pm each Friday at Saint Bernadette. Child Supervision Provided. Cost \$100 per couple. Register Online.

The centerpiece of this retreat is a tool called *The Flag Page* which will help you discover who you are and what is in your heart to do. It is like a snapshot of a person's heart - what you love and, therefore, need in your lives to truly be all that you were created to be.

The Flag Page has helped thousands of couples discover who they are and who their spouse is. This knowledge allows them to begin to validate and support those needs in each other. This results in a stronger bond and deeper understanding than they had ever known before.

Most frequently asked question:

What if I cannot make all five Fridays, can I still register?

If you cannot attend all five Fridays (the ideal), I would say that if you would have to miss more than one of the Fridays then you should wait until the next offering of the retreat to register. I would also say that if the one session you were going to miss was the third session (Friday, October 12th) then you should likewise wait until the next offering of the retreat to register.

This retreat offering is limited to 30 couples.

POWER IN MY HANDS

You are cordially invite to attend the October 2, 2018, release of a new movie.....*Power in My Hands*....one of the most important movies of our lifetime. The importance of the Rosary cannot be overstated. Louisville's own Our Lady's Rosary Makers is sponsoring this 80-minute film, and all tickets are complimentary. The viewing will be held at 7:00 p.m. in Saint Xavier High School's Brown-Forman Cultural Art Center ([1609 Poplar Level Road, Louisville](http://www.olrm.com)). There are a limited number of seats, and tickets will be distributed first come first serve, so please make your reservation today. Go to www.olrm.com to reserve tickets. You can view a two-minute trailer at <https://vimeo.com/250228064>.