

# St. Mary Parish Catholic School



† Our Mission: To Educate Students While Nurturing Their Christ-like Formation †

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## School News & Upcoming events....

- Jan. 28, Saturday: 8th gr placement tests at Bishop Carroll at 8:00 am
- Thurs. Feb 2: Religion Bowl at Resurrection
- Thurs. Feb. 2: KMC Application deadline
- Fri. Feb. 3: Spirit Jean Day
- Jan. 30-Feb. 4: Catholic Schools Week, see attached flyer with schedule and also info below
- Sat. Feb. 4: Mardi Gras
- Thurs. Feb. 9: Scholar Bowl at St. Francis
- Fri. Feb 10: Rite of Covenant at 8 AM Mass for 2nd grade
- Feb. 15 – April: State Assessments, more info coming
- Mon. Feb. 20: President's Day – No School
- Wed. Feb. 22: Ash Wednesday, All School Mass

### CSW

There is a detailed schedule at the bottom of this newsletter, Please read so you don't miss out on anything this special week. There is an attachment with all the rewards given out during the week, it was also sent home in a paper copy.

### DRESS CODE FOR CSW

On all of these days please remember that students can always simply wear their school uniform. You do not need to go out and buy something. Participation in the dress up is optional.

**Monday:** Sweats Day. Students can wear sweats to school. The shirt can be any type of sweatshirt or t-shirt appropriate for a Catholic school. We were thinking some of them might wear a college or high school sweatshirt if they want, that sort of thing. They should wear tennis shoes. If they have high top tennis shoes or different colored shoes, for this day that is fine. Also, any type of socks are fine.

**Thursday:** Soulful Shoe Day. Students can wear any type of shoes they want. Some of the girls are wanting to wear boots. Today it is fine. Some of the girls want to wear heels. Today that is fine. We don't want boys wearing high heels, etc. If they follow their parents good common sense, we should be fine. Special Note: If your child has P.E. that day, (K-2), they should have tennis shoes. Middle School students are in mass that day so they should have appropriate shoes for mass. They might need to bring shoes for mass and shoes for our day.

**Friday:** Spirit Day.

### MULTIPLE CHARITIES!!!

As you read through the information you will see we are selling cookbooks for the Drexel fund, asking students to donate their money for the Drexel fund, asking for peanut butter for Catholic Charities and then the parish drive of Warming Souls to help the homeless coming up in February starts next week. All you can give is what you can give. Be generous but we know that realistically we all can only do so much. Don't get overwhelmed; just do what you can. Sincere generosity is always appreciated.

### **CSW Service Project**

St. Mary's Service project for CSW is collecting jars of peanut butter for Catholic Charities.

### **Mardi Gras**

Mardi Gras is just around the corner and they are in desperate need of a few things. They need volunteers to work the children's booths and prizes for raffle baskets and donations for prizes for kids games. you can call Kristina Egan at 516-1628 or e-mail at [krystolena37@gmail.com](mailto:krystolena37@gmail.com) and sign up to work a booth. This is a great opportunity for High school students who are in need of stewardship hours. This weekend at mass there will be volunteer sign-up sheets in the lobby after mass and someone will be selling punch cards and raffle tickets also.

### **Attendance**

If your student is sick or will be missing school for some reason, please call the school office at 788-3151 to let us know. Just FYI, students that are not in their seat, ready for class at 7:55 are counted as tardy or unexcused tardy depending on the situation.

### **Family Movie Night**

St. Mary Preschool will be hosting our 4th Annual Family Movie Night on Friday, April 27th. All families with children from preschool age three thru 2nd grade (attending St. Mary's) are invited to participate. You can register your family Feb. 6 thru Feb. 24 either thru the school office or contact Marcia Helten at 722-7205 or e-mail [mhelten@stmarysderby.com](mailto:mhelten@stmarysderby.com), see attachment for more details.

### **Sister Katherine Drexel Fundraiser**

St. Mary School Faculty and Staff will be putting together a cookbook to sell for Sister Katherine Drexel Fund, it will sell for \$5.

Beginning next week, all the schools in the diocese will be collecting donations for the Katherine Drexel Fund. Like the Walk in Sister's Shoes, this is another opportunity to help support other schools within the Diocese of Wichita that are in need. We will have collection boxes in the classrooms through Catholic School's Week. Thank you and God Bless You!

### **Stewardship Project-Warming Souls**

St. Mary's has been asked to participate in a parish wide stewardship project to help the homeless. Each student is asked to collect and donate items for lunch and a snack to be delivered to the homeless on Feb. 20.

These items need to be dropped off in the classroom by Feb. 10. Each class is asked to provide a particular item.

PS-Fajita size tortilla pkgs.

PK-100% Juice boxes

K-Canned soup or Entrée (ex. Ravioli)

Gr. 1-Peanut butter or cheese crackers

Gr. 2-Applesauce or Fruit cups

Gr. 3-Granola Bars or Beef Sticks

Gr. 4-Tuna or chicken salad kit w/crackers

Gr. 5-Pudding or canned sausages

Gr. 6-Dill Pickles (32 oz. jar of whole)

Gr. 7-Dries fruits & nut mix or Cheese Sticks

Gr. 8-Flavored oatmeal packs or yogurts

There are several opportunities for parish members to participate in this event. Please watch the bulletin for details.

## **Lunch Room News**

If you would like to come have lunch with your student please call by 9:00 am to reserve a lunch. The cost is \$3.50.

If you did not order pizza for your student for lunch on Friday, Feb. 3, they will need to bring a sack lunch. The school will not be preparing lunch that day.

Please be assured that we do NOT add any Tree Nuts( walnuts, pecans, almonds, hazelnuts, etc.) in any of our recipes. We also do not add peanuts; however we do use peanut butter in some recipes. Those recipes include: Peanut Butter Bars, Peanut Butter Cookies, No-Bake Cookies, Peanut Butter/Choc Chip Muffins. If there is peanut butter in a recipe it will be noted on the menu.

## **Ongoing Fundraisers to Support**

The school is still collecting box tops, sunny-d labels, and pop tabs. We are also still collecting aluminum cans, the rolling trash bins are around the back of the school in the small northwest parking lot.

## **Scrip News**

GREAT NEWS! The school office will now stock more Scrip cards. We will now carry Dillons, Freddy's Frozen Custard, Kohl's, Lowes, Olive Garden, Panera, and Walmart.

## **Bishop Carroll Placement Tests**

The Placement Test will be given Jan. 28, 2012 at 8:00 am. Students are encouraged to arrive no later than 7:45, test will start at 8:00 am. There is a mandatory parent meeting in the auditorium at 8:00 am.

## **Monday, Jan 30**

- \* Prayer Service - presented by 6th grade
- \* Fractured Fairy Tales in library - K-3rd grade – 9:30 – 10:30
- \* "Knowledge of Faith" question
- \* Thank you for Volunteers - in workroom
- \* Wear Your Sweats Day(with sweats and tennis shoes students may wear any type of appropriate sweat shirt or t-shirt with sleeves, NO YOGA PANTS OR HOLES IN SWEATS)

## **Tuesday, Jan 31**

- \* All School Mass (ministries by 8th grade)
- \* Good Steward and St. Joseph Awards - after Mass
- \* Parents/Grandparents come for lunch (A-M)
- \* Brunch after mass for parishioners in School Commons – provided by 2nd grade parents
- \* Bible Bingo - 3rd grade with parents/grandparents 1:00 – 1:30 (1/2 6th grade helps)
  
- \* "Knowledge of Faith" question
- \* Thank you for Volunteers - in workroom

## **Wednesday, Feb. 1**

- \* Grades 3-5 Mass (ministries by 5th grade)

## **\* Spelling Bee - 9:30**

- \* Teacher Luncheon - provided by 1st grade parents

- \* Teacher Swap Day (optional)
- \* “Knowledge of Faith” question
- \* Thank you for Volunteers - in workroom

#### **Thursday, Feb. 2**

- \* Middle School Mass – (ministries by 6th grade)
- \* Parents/Grandparents come for lunch (N-Z)
- \* Bible Bingo - 2nd grade with parents/grandparents 1:00-1:30 (1/2 6th grade helps)
- \* “Knowledge of Faith” question
- \* Thank you for Volunteers - in workroom
- \* Soulful Silly Shoes Day (wear whatever shoes you would like)
- \* Religion Bowl (Middle School – leaving at 2:45 at Resurrection)
- \* Treats for students

#### **Friday, Feb. 3**

- \* All School Mass – (ministries by staff)
- \* Honor Roll and AR awards - given after Mass
- \* Spirit Day
- \* Pep Rally and 8th grade/Faculty volleyball game following Rosary at 1:00
- \* Pizza Lunch or Sack Lunch
- \* “Knowledge of Faith” question
- \* Thank you for Volunteers - in workroom

#### **Saturday, Feb. 4**

- \* Mardi Gras - Commons 6:00 - 9:00  
andatory parent meeting in the auditorium at 8:00 am.