



**March 10, 2017**

Dear Parent(s),

### **Gala**

The Staff at St. Mary would just like to say thank you so much to everyone who helped plan and organize, who donated item(s) or who attended and shared the evening with us! A special thanks to the Home & School Committee for spending many hours making phone calls and picking up donations as well as doing such amazing job planning this special event. This year's gala was our most successful gala! We were able to raise \$30,096.26, with a silent and live auction matching donation of \$28,000.00, bringing our grand total for this year's gala to \$58,096.26. This will help continue to improve St. Mary's School for many years to come! Again, THANK YOU to all who helped and attended the event! It couldn't happen without you!

### **Help Support Sheehan Family**

Vince Sheehan, father of 6 of our students, was admitted to the hospital in Iowa City. After extensive testing, it was determined that he has CNS Lymphoma, a type of brain cancer. CNS Lymphoma is a curable cancer, but the treatment is intense. As you can imagine, this is having quite an impact, both emotionally and financially, on the family. A GoFundMe page has been set up for the family, and can be found here. <https://www.gofundme.com/vincentfight> In addition to that, Barb Cox has offered to organize a meal train for the family. If you would like to participate in the meal train, please email Barb at [coxcrewof8@mchsi.com](mailto:coxcrewof8@mchsi.com) and let her know. Lastly, please keep Vince and his family in your prayers.

### **Kindergarten/ Preschool Preview Day**

If you have an incoming preschool or kindergarten student please make plans to attend our annual preview day on March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Information will be mailed to all families that baptized their children at St. Mary's or Menominee. Anyone else may call school for information at 815-747-3010. If you know of anyone looking at schools, please feel free to share this information or invite them along for a visit!

### **St. Mary Open House**

Please plan to attend our Open House and Registration Night on Monday April 10th 6:00-7:30. This is the perfect time to invite anyone you know who is thinking about attending St. Mary School next year. Mrs. Jones and the teachers will be present to answer any questions.

### **2017-2018 Registration**

This year registration will be sent via email through google forms rather than our usual paper copy. This form will be sent to your email today so please watch for it in your inbox. If you have questions about the form or are unable to access the form please let me know. To allow us to order the correct number of textbooks, please complete the registration form by April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

**Chastity and Safe Environment Forms**

It's that time of year again when the Diocese of Rockford requires St. Mary School to complete the Chastity program with each grade. Forms were sent home early this week. Remember we only need the forms back if you **DO NOT** wish for your child to participate. The forms are to be returned to school no later than Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>.

**KC Breakfast**

All are invited to attend the Knights of Columbus Omelet breakfast, held in **St. Mary's Cafeteria Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**. A portion of the profits will go to St. Mary's School. Make plans to attend and let the Knights do your cooking and clean up for a morning!!

**Baby Bottle Campaign**

St. Mary School will be joining St. Mary Parish and Nativity BVM in Menominee in supporting Clarity Clinic's annual Baby Bottle Campaign. St. Mary School has a large baby bottle located at school. Please help us fill it with spare change, cash or checks. The money earned from this campaign goes to help support the Clarity Clinic in their efforts to provide ultrasounds, counseling services, and baby necessities to women who are expecting. It costs them \$1200 to save one baby. Please help St. Mary School support these efforts. As an incentive to the kids, if we can earn \$250 for this campaign, the whole school will earn an out of uniform day.

**Calendar**

Tuesday 3/15	8:45 AM	7/8 Prayer Service
Thursday 3/16	8:30 AM	3/4 Mass
Friday 3/17	2:00PM	Stations of the Cross Gr. 5/6

**HOT LUNCH MENU**

***March 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>***

- Monday – Chicken Crispitos, lettuce, cherry tomatoes, mandarin oranges
- Tuesday – Hamburger on a bun, sweet potato fries, corn, grapes
- Wednesday – Taco soup, tortilla chips, apple, green beans
- Thursday – Pepperoni pizza, lettuce, cherry tomatoes, pineapple
- Friday – Breakfast burrito, potato patty, cauliflower with cheese, oranges,

**\*Lunch Menu is subject to change\***