



May 7, 2021

Dear St. Mary's Families,

I hope your family is having a good week and that you have a beautiful Mother's Day weekend together! St. Mary's had a beautiful **May Crowning** on Monday morning, and 3<sup>rd</sup> grader Tess Horinek had the honor of crowning Mary in our school courtyard. In addition to gathering for prayer and song on Monday morning, Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> grade students shared saying a Rosary with each other in honor of Mary, our school's patron saint and the Mother of God. Our school courtyard look beautiful all week, thank you to those students and families who brought beautiful flowers for Mary.

**Regular 2021-2022 enrollment for current families closes on Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**, meaning that after this date a late enrollment fee will be charged to your family's account. Not only does your prompt enrollment help ensure your child's spot in his or her class, it also helps me plan for the upcoming school year. Elementary classes (1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grades) split at 26 students, and these classes must have an enrollment of 26 students before an additional teacher may be added/hired. Kindergarten and Preschool classes (Early Learners, Advanced Learners, and Pre-K) split at smaller numbers, so getting enrollment submitted in a timely manner helps our school prepare and keep its promise of educating and nurturing the whole child. I ask you to complete online enrollment as soon as possible for these and other reasons, all of which help us plan for another great year at St. Mary's! If you would like more information about scholarship information and/or continued Covid-19 aid, more information can be found on the JACS website, [www.jacss.org](http://www.jacss.org). To complete the online reenrollment process, you will access your

Family Portal by creating a Family Portal Login with the FACTS system, following the instructions that Sister Julie sent to families. If you did not receive an email from Sister Julie or if you have any questions about enrollment, please call Marla Testerman in the JACS Business Office at 624-5003 or [mtesterman@jacss.org](mailto:mtesterman@jacss.org) or the St. Mary's School office at 623-1465.

Several classes in **Summer Fun 2021** are getting very close to reaching capacity, so please get your child's registration and enrollment turned in as soon as possible! St. Mary's Summer School classes are open to ALL area children, so your daughter and/or son can invite a friend who may not attend St. Mary's to join him or her. There is a one-time registration fee of \$15 for each child (whether they are attending one class or several), and classes are priced at \$80 per four-day class. I have attached enrollment forms for both preschool and elementary level classes to this newsletter. Please remember that to hold your child's spot in the class, the school must have the registration fee.

Please do not forget to take care of your child's **school lunch balance** if he or she eats a tray lunch on a regular basis. We have several students with a large lunch debt, and **these balances must be paid in full by the end of the school year** in order to receive grade cards and other important documents. If you have any questions about your child's lunch balance, please contact Miss Amy in office, she will be happy to help you. St. Mary's has a lunch program ranked in the top 5% of school lunch programs in Missouri and we try hard to provide an affordable, nutritious, and delicious lunch for our school each day. Making sure your child's lunch balance is up to date helps our lunch program pay invoices on time and continue providing a yummy lunch for our students and staff.

**Spring Picture Order** forms are included in your family's Communicator Envelope today. You can use the order form and/or the information provided on the form to order spring photos of your adorable child/children. If you have any questions, please call the school office. If you did not get a **2020-2021 yearbook** ordered, we have extra copies for sale for \$20 in the office. The yearbook is a great way to celebrate our wonderful year together, and each yearbook is packed full of great photos and school memories.

The McAuley cheerleaders are holding a **Junior Cheer Camp June 15<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>** from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. each evening. The Hollywood themed cheer camp is open to children 3-years old to

Middle School and is sure to be a fun experience. Registration closes on June 1<sup>st</sup>, so register soon. More information is attached to this newsletter, you may also email Coach Parrigon at [MadisonParrigon@gmail.com](mailto:MadisonParrigon@gmail.com) with any questions you might have. Go Warriors!

May will be a busy month at St. Mary's! The school schedule for field trips, activities, and events is always listed at the end of each weekly Communicator Newsletter from me, and I encourage you to make note of the upcoming dates so you don't miss out on any fun!

### Important Dates to Remember:

Monday, May 10 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Branson
Tuesday, May 11 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Prairie State Park, leaving school at 8:30 a.m. 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Park Day, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 12 <sup>th</sup>	Early Childhood (Early Learners, Preschool, Pre-K) Spring Program, 9:30 a.m. in St. Mary's Church
Thursday, May 13 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Full Day Step-Up Day at St. Peter's Middle School Early Learners – 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Step-Up Day at St. Mary's
Friday, May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Noon Dismissal – Teacher PD
Monday, May 17 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Walter Woods, leaving school at 8:45 a.m.
Tuesday, May 18 <sup>th</sup>	Pre-K Field Trip to Oceans Adventure
Wednesday, May 19 <sup>th</sup>	Preschool Park Day
Thursday, May 20 <sup>th</sup>	St. Mary's Field Day and Scoop Up! Free Dress Day

Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to GW Carver, leaving school at 9:20 a.m.

Kindergarten Park Day, leaving school at 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>

Pre-K Graduation Ceremony, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup>

Last Day of School!

Noon Dismissal, no After School Care