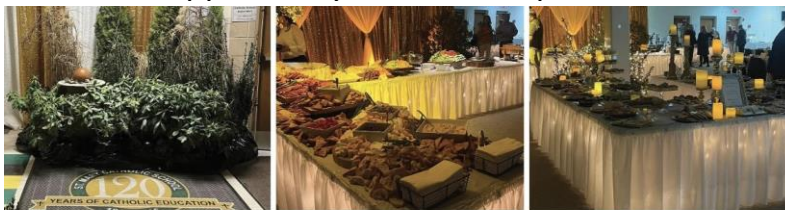




Irish Update

January 17, 2025

Tickets are available for this lovely evening from the Foundation board members listed in the flyer. This night is full of delicious food, cash bar (new this year is the addition of Venmo!), friendship, silent auction, dessert auction and the opportunity to win cash prizes.



Saturday, February 1, 2025

St. Mary Catholic School Msgr. Kakascik Parish Center Doors Open at 6:30 p.m.

\$125 per ticket
2 admitted per ticket

Grand Prize \$5000*

* Must be present to win, otherwise \$2500

\$8,725 in Prizes ~ 51 Winners

Only 225 Tickets Sold

SMS
Foundation

The St. Mary School (SMS) Foundation was established in 1992 to ensure the future financial stability of St. Mary Catholic School and maintain the viability of this educational institution through long-term financial development and planning.

For tickets or more information contact:

- St. Mary Catholic School.....740-374-8181
- St. Mary Basilica Rectory.....740-373-3643
- Becky Haller, *President*.....740-706-1397
- Tonya Booth, *Secretary*.....740-336-4750
- Tim Williams, *Treasurer*740-525-2848
- Joe Augenstein740-525-8521
- Teresa Domico.....740-516-8322
- Matt Ingram.....614-561-9294
- Lori Lutz740-374-3231
- Chris Palmer740-525-1740
- Chris Pfeiffer.....614-327-6751

Open gym this Saturday & next Saturday!



ST MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

3RD-6TH GRADE VOLLEYBALL OPEN GYM

Join us for optional open gyms to get ready for the spring volleyball season. We'll work on skills, play games, and have fun! It's a great way to give volleyball a try!

1/18 AND 1/25
9AM-10:30 AM

For more information or if you have questions please text:
Alison Smith (740-221-2705) 5th/6th
Susan Jahn (740-706-6898) 5th/6th
Michael Faust (443-935-1062) 3rd/4th

From Miss Kim:

There will be no aftercare on Tuesday, January 21st.



Catholic Schools United in Faith and Community

Catholic Schools Week is celebrated January 26th –February 1st.

What is National Catholic Schools Week?

Since 1974, National Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. It starts the last Sunday in January and runs all week, which in 2025 is January 26 – February 1. The theme for National Catholic Schools Week 2025 is “Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community.” Schools typically observe the annual celebration week with Masses, open houses and other activities for students, families, parishioners and community members. Through these events, schools focus on the value Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to our church, our communities and our nation.

This year we invite our families to a school wide breakfast and an opportunity to visit your child(rens) classrooms. We are replacing the spaghetti luncheon that we have done for several years with a breakfast to be held on Tuesday, January 28th beginning at 8:30 AM. We will gather in the Parish Center for breakfast and then visit classrooms with an end time scheduled for 10:00 AM. We are collecting RSVPs for the breakfast to help the committee prepare. An email was sent to all families on January 15th with a QR code or link to RSVP. **We request all RSVPs be in by Tuesday, January 21st.**

The QR code is here for easy access. Simply scan code with your camera and it will take you to the page to complete the RSVP.



Another exciting thing for Catholic Schools Week this year will be the gift of a St. Mary Catholic Spirit shirt for all students and staff. Thank you for providing sizing information through the t-shirt QR code...made for a very simple ordering process. The T-shirts will be distributed to students and communication shared on when we would like all students & staff to wear their new shirts. We are hoping to capture an ALL-SCHOOL PHOTO during CSW!

The remainder of the Catholic Schools Week schedule will be shared in next week's Irish Update. Students interested in doing a small presentation at the Basilica on Saturday, January 25th or Sunday, January 26th to talk about St. Mary Catholic School and Catholic Schools Week, please reach out to Mrs. Bradley at tammibradley@stmaryscatholic.org

- No School Monday, January 20th –Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- All School Mass scheduled for Wednesday, January 22nd was scheduled to be held at the Basilica, but due to predicted cold temperatures, Mass will be held in the New Gym following morning announcements.
- 3rd quarter of our school year will begin on Tuesday, January 21st.



May God Bless our 2nd graders who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday, January 16th.



The annual Knights of Columbus Free Throw contest will be held at St. Mary Catholic School in Marietta at 12PM, on Saturday, February 8th.

The competition is open to males & females aged 9-14 (age as of January 1st this year) and every student in the area is welcome to participate. This is a local AND District contest, so winners will have the opportunity to compete at the Regional level with a chance to advance to the State competition!

Applications available on the day of completion requiring a parent/guardian signature.

Any questions contact Vince Stollar at vstollar@suddenlink.net or 740.350.4612