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Illness Policy

Students may not return to school until they have been fever, and symptom free for 24 hours, without pain medication.

Reminders

* Our all school Mass will be held on Thursdays at 8:15am. Please join us!

* Please be sure to write your child's name or initials on their fleeces and sweaters.

Super Bowl Squares

There is still time to get a Super Bowl Square before the big game on Sunday! Please use the following link to get your square.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090A49AE822A4FB6-47624898-stmarys>

DrawDown Ticket Sale

The annual St. Mary's School DrawDown will be held Saturday, April 13. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year. Last year our profits exceeded \$33,000! We are asking every family to help with ticket sales. During the month of February students get to engage in a little friendly competition! The class with the highest percentage of tickets sold by Feb. 29 will win a pizza party before spring break. If you sell your tickets and need more, you may stop in the office or print them off of the website,

https://school.stmaryspontiac.org/uploads/8/6/5/9/8659746/2024_drawdown_ticket_order.pdf

The current pizza party standings are:

Second grade-1st place
Sixth grade-2nd place
First grade-3rd place

Upcoming Games

- Boys' Basketball:
 - Feb. 8- Kevin Casson Tournament Continues
 - Feb. 10- State; Warrensburg-Latham High School 10:00am (8th Grade)
 - Feb. 15- State TBD (8th Grade)
- Girls' Volleyball:
 - Feb. 8- Away; Flanagan (7th Grade)
 - Feb. 9- Away; Saunemin (8th Grade)
 - Feb. 10- Away; Cornell (7th Grade)
 - Feb. 13- Home; 5:30pm (7th/8th Grade)
 - Feb. 15- Home; 5:30pm (7th/8th Grade)
 - Feb. 16- Home; 4:30pm (5th/6th Grade)

Save the Date

- Feb. 9- Pep Assembly 2:25pm
- Feb. 10- Boys State Game at Warrensburg-Latham High School, 10:00am
- Feb. 14- Ash Wednesday Mass at 8:15am
- Feb. 15- Scholastic Bowl at Saunemin, 4:00pm
- Feb. 19- **NO SCHOOL**- Presidents' Day
- Feb. 20- Scholastic Bowl at Home, 4:00pm
- Feb. 22- Volleyball Extravaganza Begins
- Feb. 23- Progress Reports
- Feb. 27- Scholastic Bowl at Flanagan 4:00pm

Class Project Volunteers for DrawDown 2024

We are looking for parent volunteers to help create class projects for the 2024 DrawDown scheduled in April. The DrawDown is our biggest fundraiser and class projects play an important role in both the Silent and Live Auction. You don't have to be "crafty" to volunteer. We are looking for many skills, such as woodworking, sewing, painting, welding and more! Please see the attachment for more information and reach out to your child's teacher if you can help! Thank you.

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Volleyball Extravaganza

Volleyball Extravaganza begins February 22nd. You may preorder your shirts using the link.
<https://www.companycasuals.com/VolleyballExtravaganza/start.jsp>

Quick Draw

Congratulations to January's Quick Draw Winners!
Meghan Murtaugh, Michelle Masching, Joyce Hillman, Karen Schulz, Meghan White. Thank you for supporting St. Mary's School.

Printable Tax Summary

Step 1: Log in to [FACTS Family Portal](#) (District Code: SMS-IL)
Step 2: Select Financial, and then click the Financial Home link
Step 3: Under Payment Plan and Billing select 'View Details'
Step 4: Select 'View Payment Summary'
Step 5: Select 2023 and print

Greetings,

What an exciting week to be a Saint! The 8th Grade Boys Basketball team is headed to State, the 8th Grade Girls Volleyball won the County Tournament earlier this week, our Scholastic Bowl won their first match and our 5th/6th Boys Basketball team is still playing in the Kevin Casson Tournament. During the month of February, our school is busier than any other time of the year!!

At the 8th Grade Boys game, it was wonderful to see so many alumni return to St. Mary's to show their support to our boys. In addition, the younger students who sat behind our team's bench were just as great. Two younger students told me they were praying for the team to win. In the midst of all of the sports, it could be easy to forget about our faith, but clearly, learning these two young students were praying shows that our faith is still at the forefront of our thoughts and actions.

My goal has always been to make St. Mary's a family, and by the support our students receive everyday by you being here or an alumni coming back, shows we are a family. God has blessed us with so much goodness. All Glory goes to Him. Thank you for your continued support.

With prayers of gratitude,

Mrs. Jones

