



March 2017

Dear St. Mary School Families,

Greetings from the Principal's Office of our wonderful school! Here at St. Mary, we are holding out hope that perhaps the worst of the winter weather is behind us (but as I type this, we could have snow on Friday!) As the winter approaches its final days, we are looking ahead to the spring season with great anticipation.

The spirit of our Lord is upon us. Let this Lenten season be a time of renewal for you and your family. Let us remember that we are approaching our holiest time as Catholics – the Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.

“Don't be alarmed,” he said. “You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified.

He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him.

But go, tell his disciples and Peter, ‘He is going ahead of you into Galilee.

There you will see him, just as he told you.’ -Mark 16:5-7

Please review the following updates and if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us:

Registration

We are in our registration season for the 2017-2018 school year. As you know, we are growing – be sure to reserve your seat for next year. We ask if you are not returning to please let Enrollment Director, Linda Garvey, know at LGarvey@StMaryBethelCT.org.

Bishop's Scholarship Fund

Please know that the application deadline for the Bishop's Scholarship Fund is April 1. Please be sure to apply today for this financial aid opportunity. Families must apply for the Bishop Scholarship Fund in order to be considered for any additional assistance from St. Mary School.

If you have any questions regarding Registration or the Bishop's Scholarship Fund, please contact Linda Garvey.

Basketball & Cheerleading

We want to thank the many parents who are associated with our Athletics & Cheer programs. From those who coach to those who run the program, we as a school are incredibly grateful. It is not easy work yet it is all done for our children.

23rd Annual St. Mary School Auction – Saturday, March 11

One of the many great events produced by our HSA is our Auction. There is still time to secure your reservation for this year's event. Tables are filling fast and there will be exciting items for all. Come join all of the fun!

Virtus Training

There will be a Virtus training session held at St. Mary School on March 22. All adults who volunteer in the school must complete this training. Please call us for more details.

Remembering Sr. Alberta

The great Sr. Alberta will be remembered and honored on Thursday, March 23 at 12:30pm in our gym. All are welcome on this day as we dedicate our new crucifix in Sr. Alberta's name and memory.

2nd Grade through 4th grade Presentation

We are happy to welcome back Mr. Lang Reese (Captain, USN, Retired) and Mr. Bill Taylor (Major, USA, Retired) on Friday, March 24, as they present American history to our lower grades. This is the second part of a three part series.

Father-Daughter Dance

Our Father-Daughter Dance has been moved to March 25. We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused for your family. We also appreciate your understanding.

Athletics Banquet

We will celebrate our Fall/Winter athletes, cheerleaders and coaches on Sunday, March 26 at our school from 3:30 to 5:30pm. We are looking forward to this great wrap-up to a wonderful season.

Snow Days

As a school, we have used two snow days this year. That will push our last day of school back from June 13 to Thursday, June 15. Please plan accordingly.

March 30 - \$3 Dress Up Day

We are holding a dress up day (sometimes termed "dress to impress") on Thursday, March 30. While we do not want to place any type of burden on our families, if possible, students should come to school as if they were going to an important family event or Sunday Mass.

Open HSA Meeting for all Families & State of the School

On April 4, we will hold an open Home School Association meeting for all families in our gym. On this evening, Mr. Viceroy will also give his State of the School speech. We hope to see everyone there, starting at 7pm.

Track

We are gearing up for another exciting track season. Please submit your registration paperwork.

Testimonials

Please see an additional attachment included in this email with testimonials from past graduates. We are so very proud of our alum and the fact that their foundation was built here at St. Mary School!

Please feel free to reach Mr. Viceroy via Email at: Gviceroy@StMaryBethelCT.org

May God continue to bless our children and our families.

Gratefully,

Greg Viceroy
Principal

