



ST. MARY SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 05, 2024

Upcoming St. Mary Events:

<u>Event:</u>	<u>Date:</u>	<u>Time:</u>	<u>Location:</u>
High School Youth Group (Bring your Bibles)	1/7	6-7:30pm	SM Social Hall
Playgroup at St. Mary (see Flyer on Page 2)	1/8	10-11 a.m.	SM Gymnasium
PAC Meeting	1/9	6:30pm	SM Café
BPA Regionals	1/13	All Day	CMU-Mount Pleasant
Playgroup at St. Mary	1/15	10-11 a.m.	SM Gymnasium
Semester Exams for 8-12 th grade	1/15-1/17	School Day/a.m.-Half Days for 8 th -12 th	
Sophomores & Juniors depart for Washington DC	1/17	4:30pm (from Traverse)	D.C./Right to Life March
No School for Students / End of 1 st Semester	1/19	-----	-----
National March for Life	1/19	-----	Washington D.C.
Sophomores & Juniors Return	1/20	10p.m.	Parent pick-up Traverse City
Playgroup at St. Mary	1/22	10-11 a.m.	SM Gymnasium

****Save the date! February 5-Middle School Info Night at 6pm/ February 12-High School Info Night at 6pm
Both evenings are for current students. Watch for the flyer attached to Happenings next week with all the details!****

The Dominican Sisters of Mary Mother of the Eucharist invite you to join them on a spiritual retreat that includes Holy Mass, Divine Office, Rosary and the opportunity to enjoy time with the Sisters. You will hear conferences given about Mary and the Eucharist, as well as on the specific theme of the retreat. Please note: Vocational Discernment Retreats are for young women between the ages of 16 (high school juniors) and 30. The next opportunity for this retreat is on February 10-11, 2024. It is a 24 hour overnight stay at Spiritus Sanctus Academy in Ann Arbor. The cost is \$35, and we will organize a car pool for transportation. For registration information, please contact Tina VanderWulp at tincor@charter.net

Lunch Menu January 8-12

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
French Toast w/ Sausage	Sloppy Joe	Chicken Legs w/ Potatoes	Flat Bread Pizza	Chicken Patty on a Bun
<i>All meals served with Fruit, Vegetable & Milk / Cost for Hot Lunch K-5 \$3.75, 6-12 \$4.10, Adults \$4.90</i>				



Athletics-Go Eagles!

Friday 1/5
JV/V Girls B-ball vs Kalkaska-home 5:30/7pm
Saturday 1/6
JV/V Boys vs Mesick-home 1/3pm



- Attention all elementary girls basketball players who played this year. We will be announcing you and your team accomplishments **TONIGHT** at halftime of the Girls Varsity Game with Kalkaska. (Coaches previously emailed parents.) We look forward to seeing you at the game.
- Middle School Girls Basketball Practice begins Monday, January 8 from 3:30-5pm in the main gym.

We are excited to share that the electronic St. Mary Family Directory is ready for school families to access!

User friendly, paperless and at your fingertips with options to look up and print students by grade level or individual families. Parents of students in grades K-12 have access to this feature through the FACTS Family Portal.

To set-up an account as a new user in the Facts Family Portal, and/or to log-in if you already have an account:

- Visit www.stmarysll.org
- Hover over the Parent toggle
- Click on FACTS Family Portal
- Click log-in
- Log-in or if a new user "create a new account"
- St. Mary School District Code is: SML-MI (all caps)

Important Things to know:

K-5th grade parents may utilize the calendar and directory. The student toggle is only for students/parents in grades 6-12.

We are moving in the direction of the Apply/Enroll feature for the 2024/2025 school year.

Reminder! St. Mary School families can only access the directory.



ST. MARY SCHOOL GYMNASIUM
303 St. Mary St., Lake Leelanau

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN THE
Gymboree Family Playgroup
IN COLLABORATION WITH PARENTING COMMUNITIES

Things to note

- Please be conscious of gym appropriate shoes/socks
- BYO snack for story time
- NO charge to families
- Ages 0-6
- Drop-ins welcome!

Upcoming Dates

- JAN. 08
- JAN. 15
- JAN. 22

10-11am

Questions?
Contact Brittany Rosendall at brosendall@stmarysll.org or 231.256.9670 ext. 452

PARENTING COMMUNITIES
funded by the Leelanau Early Childhood Millage

Join us at St. Mary School on *Saturday, January 13th* for a fun night of Trivia with fellow SM parents, Staff, Parishioners, and friends.



Bring your best soup to pass. A panel of judges will decide on who has the best bowl!

Registration begins at 6:30p.m. in the Cafeteria / **Game begins at 7:00 p.m.**

\$70/ team of 8 if you RSVP by 1-10-24 to Anne Grant (231)218-3267

\$10/per person at the door

Cash Bar: Bring other snacks if you would like. Water/Pop, bowls and spoons will be provided

Calling all St. Mary students, families & Staff!

Do you have a special talent you would like to show off?

Well here is your big opportunity...

St. Mary Talent Showcase

Saturday, January 27, 2024 at 6:30pm

If you would like to participate, please contact

Mrs. Ackley by Tuesday, January 9th.

nackley@stmarysll.org / 231.256.9636 x204



NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE,
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AND

GRAND TRAVERSE AREA TEENS FOR LIFE

PRESENT

35th ANNUAL

HIGH SCHOOL ORATORY CONTEST

Research, write and present a 5-7 minute pro-life speech on the issue of abortion,
infanticide, euthanasia, or embryonic stem cell research/human cloning.
Open to Grand Traverse area Pro-Life 9th - 12th grade students

LOCAL CONTEST MARCH 18, 2024 at 6 pm

St. Mary Church, Lake Leelanau, MI

Awards: 1st place: \$300, 2nd place: \$200, 3rd place: \$150

Entry Deadline March 11, 2024, 4pm

Information & applications: director@gtartl.com
or contact Emily Hollabaugh at 231-946-9469

1st place Local Winner goes to the STATE CONTEST MAY 25, 2024 - East Lansing, MI 1st place: \$500 2nd Place: \$300 3rd Place: \$200	1st place State Winner* goes to the NATIONAL CONTEST June 29, 2024 - Crystal City, VA 1st place: \$1,000 2nd place: \$750 3rd Place: \$500 4th Place: \$250
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*Juniors & Seniors only

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