



Letter From The Principal

Date: 3/27/2024

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Fourth Quarter Began – Monday, March 18th

The school year is quickly coming to an end as we only have only 8 weeks left before summer break. Students are permitted to wear uniform shorts, **except on Mass days (they need to be in pants or skirt and may change into shorts after)**, for the rest of the year. *Please make sure you check the weather for that day, to make sure it is going to be warm enough to wear shorts.*

2024-2025 School Year Registration Due

The \$50.00 per student Registration and Materials Fee is due by **Wednesday, May 22nd (last day of school)**.

EdChoice Expansion Scholarship

If you have not already returned the necessary EdChoice Expansion Scholarship forms, please return these forms or contact the school office **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**. The sooner we get these forms into the Ohio Department of Education, the better the chances are you will receive the scholarship.

3rd – 6th Grade Field Trip to COSI

We are excited to share that we will be going on a field trip to learn more about the Titanic! There is a special Titanic section currently at Cosi in Columbus.

On Wednesday, April 3 all 3rd through 6th graders and their teachers will be traveling by bus to Cosi. We need to leave school by 8:00, so **all students need to arrive at school between 7:30 and 7:45**. We will travel to Columbus, explore parts of Cosi, eat our packed lunches there, and then spend 1 ½ hours in the Titanic display there. Then we will load the bus and travel back to Van Wert. We will **NOT** be back in time for students to ride any buses home. **Please plan to pick up your child after 3:30**. Latchkey will be available for everyone through 5:30.

Mrs. Koenig will provide a packed lunch for each child: sub sandwich OR peanut butter sandwich, carrots, applesauce, cookie, and milk. IF your child has a dietary restriction that requires packing his/her own lunch, please notify the teacher.

Students must wear their normal uniform bottom with their gray field trip shirt, uniform shirt, OR spirit wear shirt. Please make sure they're wearing comfortable walking shoes.

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With your help and support this year's Spring Benefit will be a highly successful fundraiser for our School. We have been very blessed to have many people donate time, items, and money to help make this event a success. Below is list of all the things taking place over the next few weeks and how you can help to make this event a huge success:



Online Benefit Auction:

<https://www.32auctions.com/StMarysRoyals2024>

The Benefit Auction will be entirely online and bidding on items starts on **Saturday, March 30th at 12:00am** and will close on **Saturday, April 13th at 3:00pm**.



- Go to the Auction Website or Scan the QR Code above and register to bid on the great items we have available this year.
- Share the Website and QR Code listed above with as many people as possible. The more people bidding, the better it is for our School!

BBQ Chicken Dinners: We will have BBQ Chicken Dinners available for pick-up between 11:00 am and 1:00pm on **Saturday, April 6th**. Cost of a meal is only \$10.00 and includes ½ BBQ Chicken, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Dinner Roll, & Chocolate Chip Cookie.

- If you have not already, please return all ticket money and any unsold tickets in the envelope provided to the school office **NO LATER THAN Thursday, March 28th** Students are responsible for returning any unsold tickets and will be charged the price of the tickets for any lost or unreturned tickets.

Big Ticket Raffle: ENTER TO WIN 3 PRIZES! TICKET COST: 1/\$20 • 3/\$50

- **1st Prize: A Getaway Close to Home: Gift Certificates for 2 Ft. Wayne Woodhouse Experiences, 1 Night Stay at the Bradley Hotel, and \$250 Gift Certificate to Catablu Grille. - Total Value \$1,850**
- **2nd Prize: 3 Night Stay on the Vegas Strip for 2 and \$500 Cash to use on the trip. - Total Value \$1,250**
- **3rd Prize: Samsung 65” Crystal UHD CV7000B TV – Total value \$500**

An order form for the Big Ticket Raffle is attached to this month’s newsletter. If you or someone you know would like to order more tickets, please send in the order form, or contact the office and we will send ticket order form home with your child(ren).

Tickets are available for purchase from any St. Mary’s Staff, School Council Members, and in the School and Administration Offices.

Royals Cash Raffle Tickets: 5 CASH Prizes! Ticket Cost: 1/\$5 * 3/\$10 * 7/\$20

1st = \$300, 2nd = \$200, 3rd = \$150, 4th = \$100, and 5th = \$50.

Tickets are available for purchase from any St. Mary’s Student, and in the School and Administration Offices. You may also purchase both the Big Ticket Raffle tickets and the Royals Cash Raffle Tickets on the Auction website: <https://www.32auctions.com/StMarysRoyals2024>

Drawing will be held at the Live Social Event on Saturday, April 13, 2024. * Need Not Be Present To Win *



Children’s Raffle: Children’s Raffle tickets sales will start on **Tuesday, April 9th and ending on Friday, April 12th at 1:30pm.** Children will be able to purchase raffle tickets to have chances at whichever items they might like to win. The cost of tickets are: **1/\$1, 6/\$5, or 13/\$10.** A list of raffle items will be coming out closer to the start of Raffle.

Please put any money for raffle tickets in an envelope and label it “Children’s Raffle” with your child’s name. Students will then put their name on tickets and put them in the buckets that go with the items they would like to win.

- If you would like to donate items for the Children’s Raffle, please drop them off to school office by Thursday, April 4th. Items that you could donate for this raffle would include but not limited to the following: Swimming Pool Toys, Sprinklers, Outside Games, Board Games, Video Games, Various Boys and Girls Toys, Balls, Frisbees, or any other things you like to do with your family.
- If you would prefer to donate money to help buy items for the Children’s Raffle, please drop it off at the school office in an envelope marked “Donation for Children’s Raffle”.
- The number of items and money we receive will determine how many items we can offer in the Raffle.

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St. Mary's Social Night and Fundraiser: The last two years we hosted a Social Night as part of our fundraising efforts. The Social Night has turned out to be a great night for everyone in attendance. We hope that even more people will join us this year!

Saturday, April 13th: Doors opening at 5pm and festivities start around 5:30pm.

This is an **Adult Only Event, Open to the Public, and Free Admission.**

There will be:

Food and Drink: Shredded Chicken Sandwiches, Hors d'oeuvres, a Cash Bar, and Pizza around 8pm.

Games: Plinko, Joker's Wild, Interactive 50/50 Games, Tip Books, Raffle Prizes, and Door Prizes.

Drawings: We will draw the **Big Ticket** and **Royals Cash Raffle** drawings.

We hope that you will come join us and even bring some friends for a very fun and exciting night!

Other School Events for April

Friday, March 29th

No School – Good Friday

Monday, April 1st

No School – Professional Development Day

Tuesday, April 2nd

School Council Meeting – The April School Council meeting will be on Tuesday, April 2nd in the School Library at 7:30pm. All are welcome to attend.

Wednesday, April 3rd

3rd – 6th Field Trip to COSI -Students should report to their classrooms between 7:30am – 7:45am. The bus will leave promptly at 8:00am.

Saturday, April 6th

BBQ Chicken Dinner Pick-up – BBQ Chicken Dinners will be available for pick-up at the car port in the front of the Church off of Jennings Rd. from 11:00am – 1:00pm.

Monday, April 8th

Eclipse Day - No School for Students – Students will be given some fun activities to do at home during the day focusing on this once-in-a-lifetime event.

Tuesday, April 9th

Children's Raffle Begins – All week children will be able to purchase raffle tickets for various items. Cost of tickets is: 1/\$1, 6/\$5, or 13/\$10.

Friday, April 12th

Children's Raffle Drawing – Last day to purchase raffle tickets for the Children's Raffle. We will draw the winners at 2:00pm.

Saturday, April 13th

Online Benefit Auction – The online auction will end at 3:00pm.

St. Mary's Social Night and Fundraiser – Doors open at 5pm.

Sunday, April 14th

Benefit Auction Items Pick-Up – Those people who had winning bids on Auction items may pick-up their items in the School Gymnasium between 11:30pm and 1:30pm.

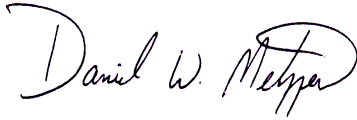
4th, 5th, and 6th Grade Religious Retreat

Our 4th – 6th Grades will be going on a religious retreat at the end of the month. We are still currently working out all the details. Once we get everything finalized, we will send out information with dates and times.

Invention Convention

Grades 4th, 5th, and 6th will present their Invention Convention projects to the judges at the end of April. We are still currently working out all the details. Once we get everything finalized, we will send out information about dates and times.

Thank you and God bless,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daniel W. Metzger". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the text "Thank you and God bless,".

Mr. Daniel Metzger
Principal-Minister