

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Pastor: Rev. Clement Niggel Principal: Melodie Good

JANUARY 2018

9<sup>TH</sup> SCHOOL BEGINS **15**<sup>тн</sup> NO SCHOOL 19<sup>TH</sup> **8TH GR X TEST** 19<sup>TH</sup> AWARDS CONS. CNCL MTG 19<sup>TH</sup> 3<sup>RD</sup> GR.PARENT MTG21 EARLY RELEASE 26TH CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK JAN. 28TH-FEB.3RD 5K RUN/ WALK 28TH DAILY SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

ST. MARY'S OPEN HOUSE 11 AM to 2 PM 5K RUN /WALK 2 PM JANUARY 28th

Sunday Mass for Catholic Schools week 10 AM January 28th



101 N Tenth Street Belen, NM 87002 505.864.0484 stmarysbelen.com Catholic Schools Week begins at the end of January each year. Countless people in our country have been blessed by the many gifts of Catholic schools. However, many adults have lost touch with their local Catholic school community. Here is an opportunity for those people who have been impacted by St. Mary's or another Catholic school to reconnect with the community that gave them so much, and give back. With this recognition in mind, the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) is pleased to present the online giving campaign: Many Gifts, One Nation: A Day of Giving to Catholic

Schools. It is a good time for individuals to give back to their local Catholic school. By leveraging social media, this national day of philanthropy and camaraderie will invite all people, across the country, who have been impacted by Catholic school education in ways big and small to financially donate at a local level on January 30th. The portal is only open for 24 hours. Each school has set a goal of what they are hoping to gain through this national campaign. A link can be found at stmarysbelen.com.

At St. Mary's, Catholic Schools Week is celebrated by parents getting together every year and planning staff and student activities while the staff strives to show their appreciation to the parents and families of our great students. The culmination is a breakfast supporting our athletes at Fat Sats on Saturday. Watch for our famous schoolwide yellow scarf dance video.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2018	
January 28th Sunday	School Mass, 5K 2 PM, Open House 11-2
January 29th Monday	Parent Appreciation-prayer and treats in gym at 8:10
January 30th Tuesday	National Day of Giving -canned food drive/ donate to Catholic Schools on line and con- tribute to our food drive for St. Vincent De- Paul
January 31st Wednesday	Pastor Appreciation-Attend Mass at 9AM and sit with your child.
February 1st Thursday	Staff Appreciation-Luncheon
February 2nd Friday	Student Appreciation-Minute to Win it
February 3rd Saturday	Fat Sats Pancake Breakfast 8-10

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January 21st - 27th



On Catholic Schools .... I like the relationships I have built with my teachers and friends over 9 years. I can still talk to my first grade teacher every day. Gracie Baca. 8th grade

## **Two Students Place in District Spelling Bee**

On December 15th, St. Mary's students competed with students from the Belen District in the Spelling Bee at Belen High school. Two St. Mary's student ended in the top ten. Trystan Garcia and Amelia Griego were 6th and 8th respectively. Although both qualified, only Tristan will be competing on Friday, January 12th in the Valencia County Bee also held at Belen High School.



## **Asbestos Proclamation**

The Archdiocese of Santa Fe and Saint Mary's school comply with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) by providing access to the management plan at the school. The plan is kept in the Principal's office and will be updated as various situations develop and inspections are completed. Arrangements may be made with Saint Mary's school to review the materials. Any questions may be directed to the principal of the school or the Executive Director of General Services at the Archdiocese of Santa Fe.

## **REGISTRATION BEGINS IN FEBRRUARY**

Do you have a friend or family member who plans on being a student at St. Mary's next year? It's almost time to register. Updated information regarding tuition and financial aid will be posted on our website during Catholic Schools Week or you can stop by the office and pick up information at our Open House on January 28th.

# 5K Entry Forms Available at the School Office

Start your year out right by running or walking in our annual 5K on January 28th. Every year, we kick off Catholic Schools Week with our 5K Run /Walk. So far, the weather has always been beautiful on that day. We expect the same this year. Sign up to participate and get a Tshirt and a hot dog when you finish. Winners are recognized by age groups with medals. Don't miss this fun event.





At Saint Mary's School, we are committed to the growth of our Catholic identity, academic potential, and community involvement.

