

# The BIRD WORD

Monthly Newsletter



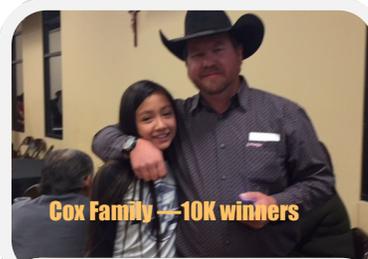
## UPCOMING EVENTS

Oratorical Contest	2
3rd gr. Reconciliation	6
Veteran's Program	9
Book Fair	12-16
Thanksgiving luncheon	16
Early Release	16
Thanksgiving Break	21-23
Advent Retreat	28
Geography Bee	30

Pastor: Rev. Clement Niggel  
Principal: Melodie Good

NOVEMBER 2018

## FALL FEST WINNERS!



St. Mary's Fall Fundraiser has been going on for over 35 years. The original purpose was to buy a bus for the school back in the 80's when it first started. The main reason now for the fundraiser is to cover the cost between what tuition covers and the school expenses. But over the years, as the school has thrived, the Fall Fest has helped us purchase our Lab Learner Science Lab, new computers for our computer lab and this year, we hope to put a percentage of our proceeds to the building fund. Thank you to all parishioners, friends and families of St. Mary's students who helped us meet our goals.

thanksgiving  
gather  
thankful family  
blessed grateful  
together blessings  
november

## CROSS COUNTRY AND VOLLEY BALL WINS



Our sports teams have been awesome this year. The volley ball teams wound up in the top bracket in the tournament this year—meaning we competed with the schools twice our size. Our JV placed 4th and after an undefeated season, our varsity settled for 3rd place in a heartbreaker.

Our Cross Country runners are all at the top of the heap when it comes to APIAL. Bringing home the top prize of championship was our varsity girls team. Our boys were also some of the fastest runners but due to fewer numbers —we didn't have a team. Our runners RULE!

REGISTER FOR THE THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON BY THE 14 TH



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**Priesthood Sunday**



Thank you Father Clement and Father Albert for your vocation to the priesthood.



Thank you to our two Fall Fest chairman Aneile Cummins and Samantha Satriana.

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**ANNUAL VETERAN'S DAY PROGRAM ON THE 9TH**

All veterans are invited to join us on the 9th at 9:30 AM for our annual program to honor them. Students look forward to this opportunity each year when they can invite their family members and friends to the Gymnasium at Our Lady of Belen Parish Center. Veterans are showered with patriotic souvenirs, traditional music and an opportunity to share their name and what branch of the service they served. Please help us fill the gym with Veterans on November 9th!

**HAPPENINGS AT ST. MARY'S**

FIELD TRIPS ABOUND! ....

Pumpkin Patch, St. Pius for Gian Paul Gonzalez, Heart of Belen for 9-11 Ceremony, Belen Public Library, St. Vincent DePaul, Belen Airport



**Pet Blessing on the feast of St. Frances of Assisi**



- After School Activities**
- Guitar**
- Chess**
- Robotics**
- 4-H**
- Girls Who Code**

Five students at St. Mary's are preparing for the Optimist's Oratorical Contest in early November. The Geography Bee will take place later in the month. The new chess club is hoping for a friendly competition with a group in Los Lunas.



Flag Football has started at St. Mary's for the 2018 season. They played two back to back games on the Eagle's Field this past Friday. Most APIAL games are played in Albuquerque.

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

