



St. Mary Catholic School

Faith Filled, Future Focused

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Upcoming Events

Nov. 15: Midterms

Nov. 18: Boys BB
a@Kickapoo at 5:30

Nov. 20: Boys BB vs St.
Pat's at 5:00

Nov. 21: Boys BB at Oak
Grove at 5:00

**Nov. 27-29: No school –
Thanksgiving break**

Dec. 5: Boys BB vs
Pleasant Hills at 5:00

Dec. 2: VB Practice may
begin

Dec. 10: Boys BB at
Pleasant Valley at 5:00

Dec. 11: Boys BB vs
Blessed Sacrament at 5:00

Dec. 12: Boys BB at
Robein at 5:00

**Dec. 13: End of Second
quarter**

Dec. 16: Boys BB at Hollis
at 5:00

Dec. 18: Boys BB vs
Rankin at 5:00

**Dec. 23-Jan. 3: No School
– Christmas break**

**Jan. 6 :No School -
teachers' in-service**

Jan. 7: School resumes

Jan. 8: VB Pekin – Rankin
at 4:30

Jan. 9: Boys BB vs
Roanoke Benson at 5:00

Jan. 11: VB Peoria
Christian at 2:00

Jan. 13: PTO Meeting

The E-Falcon Newsletter

Nov. 14, 2024

No Buses

Metamora Grade School is not in session on Monday, Nov. 25 or Tuesday, Nov. 26 due to P/T conference. Therefore, there will be no bus service on those days. Please find an alternate means of transportation.

Jean Day

Tuesday, November 26 will be a Jean Day. For a \$1 donation, students may wear Saint Mary's School Spirit Wear, jeans, or khaki pants. Please ensure jeans have no holes, rips, or tears and are not tight fitting. Leggings and jeggings are not permitted. If a student does not wish to wear jeans, khakis, or spirit wear, they may wear their uniform. All donations will go toward Sophia's Kitchen, a Soup Kitchen in Peoria. For more information, see <https://www.catholicpeoria.org/sophias-kitchen>.

Honor Roll Correction

Jonah Merrill in 6th grade was inadvertently left off of the Honor Roll for the first quarter. Congratulations Jonah!

Lunch Menu (Subject to change)

All lunches include milk

(Nov. 18-22)

Mon., Nov. 18 – Chicken sandwich, fries, carrots, fruit

Tues., Nov. 19 – Chicken noodle soup, Goldfish, bread stick, fruit

Wed., Nov. 20 – Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes w/gravy, corn, fruit

Thurs., Nov. 21 – Pulled pork on bun, broccoli, fruit

Fri., Nov. 22 – Grilled cheese, tomato soup, Goldfish, fruit

(Nov. 25-29)

Mon., Nov. 25 – Corn dog, fries, peas, fruit

Tues., Nov. 26 – Turkey, mashed potato w/gravy, stuffing, corn, pumpkin pie

Wed., Nov. 27 – No School

Thurs., Nov. 28 – No School

Fri., Nov. 29 – No School

Boxes of Joy

The school/church donated 82 boxes to the Box of Joy. There are 9 Central American countries where kids are in need and served by Cross Catholic Outreach.

SAVE THE DATE!!

Please join us March 15th, 2025 at St. Mary of Lourdes Parish Hall. Come dressed to the nines and take a trip down memory lane at our St. Mary's Dinner Auction Gala: Celebrating 150 Years of Faith-Based Education. Help us raise funds to continue this amazing legacy and continue enriching the lives of our children and community for many years to come! Please visit our website for more details on how to donate, sponsor, attend and participate at:

<https://stmarysmetamora.schoolauction.net/2025auction> Formal invitation to follow.

150 Year Celebration

Celebrating 150 years is shaping up to be really great! A lot has happened in that time and we are working to document our history. 🙌 As of right now, we are looking for 8th Grade Graduation Photos & Names for the 1950s, 1960s, 1970s, 1980s and through the class of 1993. 🙌 ☑️ We've received 1969, 1972, 1973, 1975, 1976, 1981, 1985 so far. If you or someone you may know has this information, please contact the school or church office or email to whitneyblunier@gmail.com. We are also looking for any photos/documentation from the 1940s school addition. Thank you for your help & input!

Water Bottles

Be sure that there are no additives in your child's water bottle. It needs to be just plain water. Thank you!

HAVE YOUR DONATIONS MATCHED 2:1 LAUNCHING DEC. 2

Current Caterpillar Cares Program Participants:

In support of Giving Tuesday, the Caterpillar Foundation will provide a limited-time 2:1 match through our Caterpillar Foundation Matching Gifts Program for global employee and U.S. retiree gifts made starting December 2 - 6, 2024 (or once the 2:1 match total reaches \$2 million USD - see details below).

What you need to know:

Gift Minimum: The gift minimum to qualify is \$25 USD (or local currency equivalent) or more.

Maximum Match: Each participant can enter up to \$500 USD (or local currency equivalent) in cumulative donations in the system and the Caterpillar Foundation will match at a 2:1 ratio up to a maximum amount of \$1,000 USD. This is exempt from the standard \$10,000 USD Foundation annual cap.

Gift Date Eligibility: In order for your donation to be eligible for the 2:1 match, your donation must be made directly to the charity December 2-6, 2024. Gifts made prior to December 2 are not eligible.

U.S. Gift Eligibility: Gifts to most 501(c)(3) nonprofits and public/private preK-12 schools, as well as United Ways, are eligible for the 2:1 match.

Outside the U.S. Gift Eligibility: Recognized and registered with one of the following: UK Charity Commission, Charities Aid Foundation-America (Global), Australian Business Register or Canadian Charities Directorate.

Overall Program Cap: The Caterpillar Foundation will match up to \$2 million USD total for gifts made during this timeframe. Once \$2 million USD in match requests has been submitted, the 2:1 match will close and revert back to the standard 1:1 match with \$10,000 USD annual cap per participant. Submission Deadline Requests must be submitted in the Caterpillar Cares portal by Fri., Dec. 6, at 11:59pm ET.

Additional information: For more details, visit the Matching Gifts site during the eligibility window (December 2-6).

Thank you for partnering with the Caterpillar Foundation to make a meaningful impact in our communities!