

St. Mary Catholic School

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Upcoming <u>Events</u>

Mar.28: Midterms Track at Germantown Hills at 3:30 Mar. 31: Apr. 4: No School - Spring Break **Apr. 7**: Track at Eureka at 3:20 Apr. 10: Scho Bo at E. Peoria at 4:30 Track at Morton at 3:15 Apr. 14: PTO Meeting Apr. 17: Sch Bo at R-B at 4:30 Track at Prairie Central at 2:30Apr. 18-21: No School Easter Break Apr. 22: Sch Bo vs Georgetown at 4:00 Apr. 24: Track at El Paso at 1:45 Apr. 26 Track Conference Meet May 3: STM Relays Track at Pekin high at 7am May 4: First Communion at 11:00May 5: Track vs Eureka at MTHS at 3:20 May 8: Track at Dunlap Middle at 3:00 May 12: Track vs Dunlap Middle at MTHS at 3:20 Mav14: Tentative Field Day May 16: End of 4th quarter 8th Gr. Graduation

The E-Falcon Newsletter

Mar. 27, 2025

An Announcement from Mrs. DuBois

It is with bittersweet sadness that I announce my retirement at the end of this school year. It has been an honor to have served Christ in the ministry of teaching your children, and I thank you for the blessings of the past 19 years. I will always consider St. Mary's my home and will hold each of your families in a special place in my heart. I am looking forward to traveling with my husband, helping my daughter grow her business and spending time with my mom while I still can. Know that you will all be deeply missed.

We are in AWE!!

We are excited to share that this year's auction fundraising campaign has been a resounding success!! You all helped us raise a profit of over \$150k for 150+ years of Catholic Education!!! What a perfect tribute for this sesquicentennial year!! This total does not include any potential CAT and other employer matches that may also come from your generous gifting!!!

Let's take some time to celebrate each other in this momentous fundraising year!! Thank you to everyone who made this total possible. - The Auction Committee

Lunch Menu (Subject to change)

All lunches include milk (Apr. 7-11) Mon., Apr. 7 – Corn dog, fries, carrots, fruit Tues., Apr. 8 – Chicken sandwich, peas, fruit Wed., Apr. 9 – Salsibury steak, mashed potatoes w gravy, green beans, fruit Thurs., Apr. 10 – French toast sticks, hash brown, sausage, fruit Fri., Apr. 11 – Pizza boat, broccoli, fruit April 14-18) Mon, Apr. 14 – Hot dog on bun, fries, carrots, fruit Tues., Apr. 15 – Tacos, salsa & chips, fruit Wed., Apr. 16 – Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, fruit Thurs., Apr. 17 – Spaghetti, bread stick, fruit Fri., Apr. 18 – No School – Good Friday

Easter Egg Hunt

Please join us for our 4th Annual Easter Egg Hunt! Sunday, April 13, 2025, at noon on the St. Mary's Metamora church grounds. There will be lots of eggs for hunting, photos with the Easter Bunny, and prizes for each age group! Bring your own basket! Hosted by St. Mary's Altar and Rosary Society.

Sesquicentennial Record Book for Presale

This book is a treasure for current students, alumni, our parish members and anyone with a connection to St. Mary's School. It offers a rich perspective on our history and the impact it has had on countless lives. Highlights include invaluable graduate rosters, a historical narrative, a glimpse into the life of a current student & people, places and events that have shaped St. Mary's.

Don't miss the chance to own this remarkable keepsake that celebrates the legacy and future of our school!

\$40/book -\$10 Shipping & Handling

OR free pick-up at the Church Rectory

Dates Available for Preorders: Mar 15-Apr 15

Books will be available early this summer for pick-up & delivery.

Link below to order OR check/cash to the Church Office.

https://stmarysmetamora.schoolauction.net/stm150

Altar and Rosary Easter Bake Sale

The St. Mary's Altar and Rosary Easter Bake Sale will take place on Palm Sunday weekend, Saturday, <u>April 12</u> after the 4pm mass and <u>on Sunday, April 13</u> after both the <u>7:30am</u> and 9:30am mass.

We are featuring a cinnamon roll table. Therefore, we are in need of numerous cinnamon roll donations to have availability for purchase after all masses. Also, we are asking members of the parish to help our bake sale by donating pies, cakes, Easter cookies, breads and rolls. Please bring baked goods to the church meeting room on Saturday, April 12 between 9am and 1pm.

Thank you in advance for helping us raise funds for the St. Mary's Altar and Rosary Society. If you have any questions, please call Molly Gualandri <u>309-339-0299</u> or Judy Eckstein <u>309-635-7696</u>.

Spring Fever Trivia to Benefit the Metamora Pool!

Register to attend the Spring (Cabin) Fever Trivia Night fundraiser! Funds raised will go towards the Metamora Pool! Brush up on your decades' knowledge and Metamora history! Registration is \$80 for a table for 2-8 adults.

An optional dinner buffet add-on for \$25 per person is available for purchase the night of the event. Cash bar is also available at the event.

Interested in sponsoring a trivia round for \$500? We would love your additional support! Register here: https://forms.gle/WPjseUCJiWoMs5VB9

Donut Sunday

April Donut Sunday will continue our celebration of 150 years of Catholic Education and will be hosted by our 3rd/4th grade class on behalf of our Spanish Department. Join us after 7:30 & 9:30 Masses for donuts, coffee, fellowship & a glimpse into what our students are learning in their Spanish classes.

Link below for 3rd/4th graders to sign-up to help! Please note that Mrs. Bachman will be incorporating Spanish into the announcement.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B45ABA92CA7FA7-55880981-april

<mark>No Buses</mark>

Please mark your calendar that there will be <u>NO afternoon</u> bus services on Tuesday, April 15. Metamora high school is having ACT testing and they will be dismissing early.

Sports Update

Track: Track season is upon us, and we have 4 students participating in our co-op with Metamora Grade School. All 7th graders Reagan Casey, Leta Hassler, Mariah Herman, and Thomas Miller. Good Luck tracksters!

Calling all parents who had or have students participating in extra curricular activities this year! You will be called upon to help with two large track meets Sat., May 3 St. Mary's 43rd Annual Relays and Sat., May 10 Class A Sectionals. On May 3 we will need all hands-on deck as we are running this meet. We will need ribbon writers, scorers, track workers and concessions. If you have a job, you would prefer let me know or I will assign. On Sat., May 10 we oversee concessions so shifts will be assigned. Mark those dates on your calendar as May seems to be a busy month for all of us but this is a good money maker for our extra-curricular programs. Thank you!

<mark>I Pledge 150</mark>

I pledge 150 will be extended to Friday April 11. This will allow extra time over spring break to complete. We need to get 75% participation for the school pizza party. Find ways to help someone and earn your 150 minutes over break.

Please note the attached Booster Club sheet.

Have a Safe and Happy Spring Break!