



St. Mary Catholic School

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Upcoming Events

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
2:30

Apr. 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
11:00

May 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

Riverview Awards night
@6pm

May 14: Tentative Field
Day

May 16: End of 4th quarter
8th Gr. Graduation

May 23: Last day if no
snow days used

The E-Falcon Newsletter

April 10, 2025

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.

Altar and Rosary Easter Bake Sale

The St. Mary's Altar and Rosary Easter Bake Sale will take place on Palm Sunday weekend, Sat., April 12 after the 4pm mass and on Sun., April 13 after both the 7:30am 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 Sat., 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 [309-339-0299](tel:309-339-0299) or Judy Eckstein [309-635-7696](tel:309-635-7696).

Lunch Menu (Subject to change)

All lunches include milk

April 14-18)

Mon, Apr. 14 – Hot dog on bun, fries, carrots, fruit

Tues., Apr. 15 – Tacos, salsa & chips, fruit

Wed., Apr. 16 – Slice of pizza (provided by Altar & Rosary Society), salad, fruit

Thurs., Apr. 17 – Spaghetti, bread stick, fruit

Fri., Apr. 18 – No School – Good Friday

(Apr. 21-25)

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>

No Buses

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

Watch Week 25

Mrs. Fitzgibbons winning the *One Class at a Time* air this morning, Thursday, on WEEK25 news. Watch tonight at 5 and 10 to see if it airs again. Congratulations Mrs. Fitzgibbons on a well deserved award.

John Lancaster Spalding Scholarship Fund Protocols and Procedures: 2025-2026 Deadline Date: Friday, April 25, 2025

PROTOCOLS:

A family applying for Spalding Scholarship assistance must be an active member in good standing of a parish in the Catholic Diocese of Peoria.

The student[s] for whom the aid is being sought must be enrolled in good standing [or seeking to be enrolled] in grades K through 12 in a Catholic school located in the Diocese of Peoria.

All scholarship assistance will be based on a family's financial need objectively assessed. The diocese will use FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment Services to determine financial need.

All scholarship assistance will also be dependent upon the recommendation of the pastor that the family is an active member of the parish in good standing

If a student changes schools during a school year, tuition assistance grants will follow the student as long as the student is enrolled in and in good standing in a Catholic school in the Diocese of Peoria and the family is a member in good standing of a parish in the Diocese of Peoria.

All awards are for one school year only. A family must apply for Spalding Scholarship assistance each school year.

The number of grants and the amount of each grant for the school year will be dependent upon the funds available and the size and need of the applicant pool.

Payment of Spalding Scholarship Grants will be made twice a year directly to the Catholic school a student attends. These grants will be applied to the family's tuition obligation. It is anticipated that tuition assistance grants will be announced in early June 2025.

PROCEDURES:

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance from the Spalding Scholarship Fund must complete an online FACTS Grant & Aid Application at online.factsmgt.com/aid. The application and required supporting tax documents must be received online by FACTS by the application deadline date of Friday, April 25, 2025.

The FACTS application, payment of the application fee, and any required supporting documents are to be transmitted online to FACTS according to their directions.

Families must also request the pastor submit a recommendation to the Office of Catholic Schools verifying good standing in the parish.

The application process is complete only when the pastor's recommendation has been submitted to the Office of Catholic Schools and when a completed parent financial aid application, required supporting documents, and the application fee have been uploaded and submitted to FACTS. Only completed applications, which include supporting documents, submitted on or before the Friday, April 25, 2025 deadline will be considered when Spalding assistance awards are determined.

A checklist for a Spalding Scholarship Application, as well as a downloadable version of these Protocols and Procedures can also be found on the forms below.