

# St. Mary's Catholic School Newsletter February 6, 2026

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**Midterms were posted today for grades 3-8. Please check your FACTS family portal for student grades.**

Thank you so much to all the people who worked at the school carnival, who helped organize it, helped set up for it and who helped with the tear down! Especially, thank you to PTO and Chrissy & Brad Grebner for all the work they put into the VERY successful event!

## Upcoming!

**February 6**  
Midterms

**February 7**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

First  
Reconciliation  
10:00 a.m.

**February 12**  
Valentine Parties at 2:00  
p.m.

**February 13**  
No School – Teacher  
Institute

**February 16**  
No School - President's Day

**March 6**  
End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

## Valentine Parties!!

Room Parents are still needed for the February 12 Valentine Parties. We are looking for:

4<sup>th</sup> Grade needs 1, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade needs 1, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade needs 2

If you are able to help, please go here to sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4BABA623A0F4C07-50677451-2024#/>



## Valentine Shirts!!

Students are allowed to wear Valentine shirts/sweatshirts on February 12. **BOTTOMS - PANTS/SKIRTS, ETC. MUST BE UNIFORMS.** Please make sure these tops/shirts are appropriate for school. (shoulders/midribs must be covered, etc.)

## \$\$ St. Mary's School Athletic Boosters Raffle \$\$

Don't miss your chance to win CASH every month and help support St. Mary's School Athletics and Extracurricular Activities at the same time!

Every month, January through December, 4 names will be drawn.

CASH prizes of \$100, \$50, and two \$25 prizes are awarded to the winners!

BY FEBRUARY 22nd, 2026, please place the lower portion and payment in an envelope labeled "STM Athletic Booster Raffle" and return it to the school office, church office, or place it in the church collection basket.

## 🏀 All-Star Auction Madness – Tickets on Sale! 🏀

Ticket sales are now live for the STM All-Star Auction Madness on March 14, 2026! This March Madness-themed fundraiser supports St. Mary's Catholic School and

promises a fun night of dinner, entertainment, and live auction excitement.

Families can support the auction in many ways—by attending, becoming a sponsor, donating auction items, or giving monetarily. Physical auction items must be turned in by February 20 to the St. Mary's Metamora Parish Office.

**STM ALL-STAR AUCTION MADNESS**  
**2026 ST. MARY'S DINNER AUCTION**  
JOIN US IN YOUR FAVORITE SPORTS ATTIRE FOR A MARCH MADNESS-THEMED FUNDRAISING AUCTION IN SUPPORT OF FAITH-BASED EDUCATION.  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2026**  
ST. MARY OF LOURDES PARISH HALL  
424 Lourdes Church Road, Germantown Hills, IL 61548  
**EVENING GAME PLAN**  
Doors Open At 5:30 PM  
Dinner At 6:00 PM  
Live Auction & Entertainment to Follow  
**COURTSIDE ACCESS: \$100**  
Dinner, Dessert, Entertainment, Hosted Bar & Gift  
**GENERAL ADMISSION: \$50**  
Dinner, Dessert, Cash Bar, & Entertainment  
**PURCHASE TICKETS AT:**  
<https://stmarmymetamora.schoolauction.net/2026auction>  
IF UNABLE TO ATTEND IN-PERSON, DONATIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE.  
ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT  
ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL METAMORA

**March 13**

**NO BUS SERVICE**

Report Cards Sent Home

**March 30-April 6**

Spring Break

**April 7**

School Resumes

**April 17**

**NO BUS SERVICE**



### **Athletic Events!**

### **Girls Volleyball**

**February 9**

at Roanoke-Benson  
at 4:00 p.m.

**February 11**

at St. Phil's at  
5:00 p.m. (5/6, 7, 8)

**February 17**

at South Pekin at 4:30

**February 19**

at Robein at 4:30

**February 20**

at Peoria Academy at 5:00

**[Learn more, purchase tickets, or support the auction at:](#)**

**[www.stmarysmetamora.schoolauction.net/2026auction](http://www.stmarysmetamora.schoolauction.net/2026auction)**

### **MTHS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Information**

-Parent Night - February 11 at MTHS - activity fair 5:30 to 6:15 and Guidance Department presents 6:15 to 7:00 with Q&A after if needed

-Course Selection Night - February 18 at MTHS from 4:00 to 7:00

### **PND Registration for Classes**

Haven't registered for PND yet? Haven't picked classes? Join us on Thursday, February 19th (NEW DATE!) from 4 PM - 5:30 PM. You will sign up for a slot in order to ensure a timely appointment at this [link](#):

(<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49ADA92EA7FDCE9-60093294-class#/>) (The more you have completed ahead of time, the better!) Things to Bring With You to Course Selection:

your FACTS login information (username & password)

- If you are interested in honors: your student's 6th-8th Grade MAPS scores
- If your student has an accommodation plan (504, ISP, IEP, or ELL), please bring it with you!

If you are unable to attend an evening listed above, please email Annie Carroll at [a.carroll@pndhs.org](mailto:a.carroll@pndhs.org) to set up an individual appointment.

### **Bishop Tylka is inviting all students and faculty in the Diocese to join him at 9:30am on February 12<sup>th</sup> for a livestream prayer service.**

We hope that everyone can join the livestream on February 12 at 9:30am, but the session will be recorded for those who cannot participate at that time. The livestream can be accessed

at: <https://youtube.com/live/mxLV7AnASOg?feature=share>

### **Volunteers Needed for Pre-K Story Library Time**

We have 5 open dates left for Pre-K Readers!

February 24, March 23, April 7, April 28 & May 5

- Tuesdays, 10:30–10:45am in the library.

- Option to stay afterward and help with Pre-K lunch.

- Books and materials provided (or bring a favorite from home).

- If you'd like to volunteer, please contact the school office.

### **Yearbook Photos**

We are looking for photos for the yearbook—classroom pictures, sports pictures, and any extracurricular activities so everyone can be featured. Please email them to Brooke Miller at [brookebernitt@yahoo.com](mailto:brookebernitt@yahoo.com) or text them to 309-370-4525.

Yearbooks will be available to order in May.

### **John Lancaster Spalding Scholarship Fund 2026-2027**

#### **Protocols and Procedures**

**Application Deadline: April 24, 2026**

**Submission Deadline: May 8, 2026**

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

**PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED INFORMATION**

**February 24**  
at Riverview at 5:00  
(8<sup>th</sup> Grade Night)

## **Lunch Menu!!**

**February 9**  
Corn Dog, Baked Beans,  
Fruit

**February 10**  
Pulled Pork Sandwich,  
Fries, Peas, Fruit

**February 11**  
Chicken Filet Sandwich,  
Chips, Green Beans

**February 12**  
Pizza Boat, Peas, Fruit

**February 13**  
No School

**February 16**  
No School



Meal Train for Bret and  
Melissa Kidder:

<https://mealtrain.com/yyzrne>

As a reminder, there is no supervision nor will the school doors be open before 7:40 a.m. on school days. Please do not drop your students off prior to then.

## **FEBRUARY LIBRARY FUN!!!**

This month Mrs. Vasquez is doing 2 events in the library.

1st one is already started and that's the shredded book contest. Students get 1 guess at what they think the title of the shredded book is. 3 clues are provided to them. 2 winners will be announced after rosary February 11th.

The 2nd one is not really a contest it's called Blind Date with a Book. (for grades 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) Mrs. Vasquez will have wrapped books for students to pick

## **Blind Date**

## **With a Book!**

You'd be surprised to learn what you like!



- 1. Select a book based on profile**
- 2. Check out the book still in it's wrapping**
- 3. Unwrap at home**
- 4. Read and enjoy**

Return the enclosed paper to Mrs. Vasquez in the library for a prize by February 27, 2026

*Kimberly Vasquez*  
*St. Mary's Grade School*  
*Library*

