St. Mary School Elyria
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Making a Difference Everyday

Cougar News ~ January 23, 2019
Rejoice and Be Glad!

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The PTU will be in contact with Texas Roadhouse regarding rescheduling the dine-in PTU fundraiser.

If your family will be participating in the potluck on Tuesday, please return the slip on the bottom of the flyer in today's folder by Friday. **This is a community event so please invite friends and family!** We just need a number so we can provide paper products and beverages.

Open House - Sunday, January 27 - 10:30 a.m - 12:30 p.m. - Spread the word!

Catholic Schools Week 2019 - Join us in Celebrating

Catholic School Week kicks off next week on Friday with the All-County Mass at Elyria Catholic at 9:30 a.m. for Grades 5-8. Grades 5-8 are asked to bring a canned good to donate.

Sunday, January 27 - 10:30 am - 12:30 pm - School Open House and 3 point & Free Throw Contest
- **Update your Remind settings - see message below**

Monday, January 28 - Celebrate Community - Service Projects - watch for a list coming home in next week's Wednesday folder on how you can participate
- **1 pm Catholic Schools Week Prayer Service - All are invited to attend**

Tuesday, January 29 - Celebrate Students - Dress Down & Game Day
- **5 pm - 6 pm - International family potluck dinner in the hall followed by a Magical Musical Adventure with author Dr. Raquel Ortiz (mother of Grade 5 student, Cesar Roman-Samot) from 6 pm - 7:30 pm. See flyer for additional details**

Wednesday, January 30 - Celebrate Vocations
- **Sister Mary Dorothy and Father Charlie are our guest speakers**

Thursday, January 31 - Celebrate Parents - Something special for parents

Friday, February 1 - Celebrate Families - 8:30 a.m. - Mass with God Squad from Elyria Catholic - please join us
- **Students will participate in programs during the day with author, Dr. Raquel Ortiz**
- **Family Fun Night - 6 - 9 pm in hall - Purchase tickets or volunteer to earn tickets for this great event!**

If you have not, please return your intention form to attend St. Mary School next school year.

Remind is changing how you will be receiving important messages from the school. It is very important to follow the instructions before January 28. We will send out a test message on the 29th. If you do not receive the message, please email or call the school and someone will help you.

Educational Choice Scholarship and Educational Choice Expansion Scholarship application period begins February 1

It is important to share this information with friends and relatives that have children going to these schools to let them know they are eligible to apply for an EdChoice Scholarship in February to pay for their tuition to attend St. Mary School.

Avon Local Schools
- Avon Heritage Elementary School 3-5

Elyria City Schools
- Franklin Elementary School K-5
- Oakwood Elementary School 1-5

Wellington Exempted Village Schools
- Westwood Elementary School K-3

Lorain City Schools
- Admiral King Elementary School K-5,P
- Frank Jacinto Elementary K-5,P
- Garfield Elementary School K-5,P
- General Johnnie Wilson Middle School 6-8
- Hawthorne Elementary School K-5
- Helen Steiner Rice ES K-5,P
- Larkmoor Elementary School K-5,P
- Longfellow Middle School 6-8
- Lorain High School 9-12
- New Beginnings 9-12
- Palm Elementary School K-5,P
- Southview Middle School 6-8
- Stevan Dohanos Elementary School K-5,P
- Toni Wofford Morrison ES K-5,P
- Washington Elementary School K-5,P

If you have not, please review the parent/student handbook with your child(ren), then sign and return the confirmation form.

Important dates . . .

- ★ **January 23** - 2:30 - 3:30 - Statistics
  - 3:30 - Academic Challenge Team @ Home against Holy Trinity
- ★ **January 24 -** 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Math Games - Science Lab room 201
- ★ **January 25 - End of Quarter 2**
  - 9:00 a.m. - 11:10 a.m. - All Lorain County Mass at Elyria Catholic High School - Grades 5-8 - Donation of canned food requested from Grades 5-8
- ★ **January 27 -** 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - Open House
  - 12:30 p.m. - 3-Point and Free Throw Contest - parish hall
- ★ **January 28 -** Service Projects - 1:00 p.m. - Prayer Service - Each class completes a flower petal based on their assigned Beatitude - All are invited to attend
- ★ **January 29 -** Dress down day and game day
  - 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Acting - Kindergarten room
  - 2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Geodesic Dome Construction - Science Lab room 201
  - 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Potluck dinner - parish hall - send in your reservation by January 25
  - 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Magical, Musical Adventure for Families with Dr. Raquel Ortiz
- ★ **January 30 -** Classes either individually or as a class prepare thank you cards to present to Father Charlie and Sister Mary Dorothy
  - 1:15 p.m. 1:35 p.m. - Father Charlie and Sister Mary Dorothy speak to Grades 5-8
  - 1:40 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Father Charlie and Sister Mary Dorothy speak to PK - Grade 4
  - 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Meeting for parents of students receiving their First Eucharist - Weigand Room
- ★ **January 31 -** Celebrate Parents
- ★ **February 1 -** 8:30 a.m. - Mass with God Squad from Elyria Catholic
  - Author, Dr. Raquel Ortiz, will visit and do activities with students during the day
  - Family Fun Night - 6 pm - 9 pm - Classroom stools - Volunteers
- ★ **February 4 - In-Service Day - No School for Students**

Beginning January 28 Remind will no longer send text messages to Verizon customers due to the additional fees that Verizon is imposing on Remind.

What can you do?
Download the mobile app or enable email notifications—both of which are free of charge.Get the Remind app
Go to https://www.remind.com/apps/
Enter your phone number, and Remind will text you a download link or download the app from the App Store or Google Play.
How do I change my message notifications?
If you would like to change how you receive notifications for messages and announcements for classes you have joined, you can do this in app or web. You must have one notification turned on at all times.

Download the App
Click on the App:

- Android: Click the 3 dots in the upper right, then Account, and then tap the gear icon from the top right. On this screen, you can choose how you receive message alerts.
- iOS: On the Classes list tap the person icon in the upper left, then the gear icon from the upper left.

Web:
Click your name in the upper left and click "Account" then "Communication." On this page you can download the Remind app if you haven't yet and link your cell number. You can also change, add, or remove an email or phone number in your account on this page. Once updated, you should receive an email confirming this change or addition.

If you are receiving additional notifications that you would rather not on the Remind app, we suggest turning off push notification.

Have a blessed week. ~ Ms. Urig

Visit with SMS Author-In-Residence!

Parent of SMS 5th grader!!!!

Dr. Raquel Ortiz

Author Reading!

Music!

Singing!

Drums!

Puppets!

Puppet Making!

Some Spanish!

Puerto Rican Flare!

Her son, SMS student

Enjoy a magical adventure interacting with her book!

Tues. January 29th 6:00-7:30pm

***Potluck Dinner (optional) 5:00-6:00pm

(Bring a dish to share!)

Who	**PreK through 5th grade with caregivers** (older siblings welcome to come and assist the author)
Where	**St. Mary School Gym** 237 E 4th St. Elyria, Ohio 44035

***** Return bottom portion to RSVP by Fri. January 25 so we can prepare supplies . . . Thanks!**

Family name: _____ **No. of Adults Coming** _____ **No. of Kids Coming** _____

Circle One: *attending adventure only* or *attending both the potluck and adventure*

Phone: _____

Dance Off

Hula Hoop Contest

St Marys Family Fun Night

50's Sock Hop

Rock Around The Clock

Friday, February 1st — **6 to 9 PM**

FFN marks the end to an exciting Catholic Schools Week – Join us for the 20th Annual St Marys Celebration
This year's theme is Rock'n 50's… So, dress as your favorite 50's character or as people dressed in that decade!

Admission

ADMIT ONE

$4.00 Per Person
(by Reservation on or before Fri, Jan 25th) or **$5 Per Person**
Kids under 3 are free

Classrooms are decorating wooden stools to be auctioned off during FFN.

Donations & Volunteers

We cannot throw this party without you… Please signup to Volunteer or Donate needed items.
Volunteering 2 hours, earns one admission.
We need volunteers to staff stations, and setup during the day before the party. *See below for more detail.*

Fun Includes;

50's style Dinner, Dessert & a Milk Shake Station

Costume Contest	Hula Hoop Contest	Dance Off
50/50 Raffle	Basket Raffle	Door Prizes
Games	Prizes	Fun Crafts

Deejay Mike Moore
…and much, much more!

Contact Lori Massey for…
Registration, Donations, or to Earn your way in by volunteering.
Call or Text: 440.865.0322

Costume Contest

Best Greaser	Best Poodle Skirt	Best Soda Jerk
Best Dressed Female	Best Dressed Male	Best Celebrity
Most Creative	Best Family Theme	

Family Fun Night Reservation & Volunteer-Donation Response - *Please return to Lori Massey*

Name (First & Last):	**Attending** #Children		#Adults	
Best Way to Reach You (Em/Ph/Text): Do you text? Y N	Amount Included: *or pay your reservation at the door*		$	

HOW CAN YOU HELP? **Volunteer** **Donation** **Both**

Circle Desired Shifts / Stations:
Setup Friday (8 to 3) | 6 to 7 | 7 to 8 | 8 to 9

Welcome table	Prize table	Games
Crafts	Costume Judging	Kitchen or Beverages

Needed: *Gift Cards | Door Prizes | Raffle Baskets | Desserts*

Describe Donation

Questions? Leave a note, and someone will contact you … or contact me directly!

St. Mary School *Elyria*

Open House

Sunday, January 27, 2019 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Well Worth the Investment!

Academics

- High academic standards
- Extracurricular activities
  Spanish, band, enrichment classes,
  Afterschool Educational Enhancement Program
- National Junior Honor Society
- Technology for 21st century learners
- State rated 5-Star Preschool

Religious Education

- All faiths welcomed
- Respect & positive values promoted
- Community service opportunities

Environment

- Safe and friendly
- Multicultural

Join us for a…
3-Point and Free Throw Contest
January 27

Prizes for each age group

- *3rd-5th grade*
- *6th-9th grade*
- *10th grade - adult*

Register the day of between 12:30 and 1 pm
Event starts at 1 pm
$2/shooter per event

Convenience

- Heart of downtown Elyria
- Morning drop off at 7:15
- Extended Day Program until 6:00 P.M.
- Busing currently provided by Elyria, Keystone, and Midview School Districts
- Scholarships and Financial Aid available

Full Day Preschool - 8th Grade

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Valentine Candy Sale

After Masses Sat., Feb. 2 and Sun., Feb. 3

Homemade

milk and dark chocolate

Ingredients include: peanuts, walnuts, pretzels, raisins, rice krispies and coconut

$7 - ½ lb. box

$1 - 3 piece bag

Proceeds from the sale benefit our national junior honor society.

No-nut boxes were not made in a nut-free environment.

$2