

The School of St. Mary exists to carry out the educational mission of the Church
by teaching children to live, love, learn and walk with God.

For Your Information

SCHOOL OF SAINT MARY

www.schoolofsaintmary.com

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December/January 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
17	18	19	20 End 2nd Quarter 2:15 Classroom Christmas Parties	21 Christmas Break	22	23
24	25 Christmas Break	26 Christmas Break	27 Christmas Break	28 Christmas Break	29 Christmas Break	30
31	1 Christmas Break	2	3 Classes Resume	4 7:15am Prayer in Chapel for Rocco and Seefeldt Families	5 Re-enrollment Forms Home Report Cards Issued	6
7	8 7pm Home and School Meeting	9 Free Dress	10 9:40 School Tour 10-11am Kindergarten Open House	11 7:15am Prayer in Chapel for Rocco and Seefeldt Families 9:40 School Tour 10-11am Kindergarten Open House	12 9am School Mass	13

ST. MARY PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT

St. Mary Preschool will begin accepting new preschool applications for 2018/2019 school year soon.

- Students must be age 2, 3 or 4 by September 1, 2018 to apply.
- If you are interested in finding out more about our parish preschool, tours will be given on Wednesday, January 24th and Thursday, January 25th at 10:30 a.m. The tour will last about 30 minutes. Information packets and applications will be available at that time.

Tours are optional; if you prefer, you may call the preschool office at 918-743-4030 in January or email the preschool director carla.lechner@schoolofsaintmary.com to request an application.

Catholic Schools Week (CSW) is coming up the end of January. If you would like one of the highly prized and sought after CSW volunteer positions, please contact Maggie Cates at maggiehepner@yahoo.com or Amanda Spanier at adkirby123@yahoo.com. Don't miss out on this fantastic volunteer opportunity.

PORTA CAELI HOUSE

Are you looking for a way to involve your children in serving others this Advent and Christmas season or in the New Year? The Porta Caeli House is a home on the campus of Catholic Charities that provides a place for individuals in the last days or weeks of their lives. Guests are served regardless of race, illness, faith or financial status. Porta Caeli House shows Christ's merciful love to guests and their families in a loving environment, enables dying with dignity, and re-establishes the concept in the broader community that dying is the natural conclusion of life on this earth, not something to be feared or avoided.

One of the many services provided is meals for the residents and their families. Porta Caeli House is looking for volunteers to fill the calendar for meals at lunch and dinner on a daily basis. Helping out is quite easy! Go to the website below and sign up for a meal. Prepare the meal for 10-12 people and take it hot and ready to serve at 11:30 for lunch or 4:30 for dinner or drop it off early (or frozen if needed). Use disposable containers, leave it in the kitchen at the Porta Caeli House and be on your way. It's that easy! No need to stay and serve or clean up. Enjoy praying for the dying while preparing a meal that will provide nourishment and comfort to those who partake of it.

Portacaeli.org and click on the volunteer tab. "Bring them a meal" is the first volunteer option. Click there and find the "Take Them a Meal" sign up sheet.



Solt Haiti Kobonal Mission Collection Results

Recently, Father Meaux visited St. Mary's and shared with us his continued work on the SOLT Kobonal Mission in Haiti. The mission currently has 1,000 students enrolled and has been a partner in educating 20,000 children since being built.

The mission supports 14 villages and gives hope and safety while cultivating community among the poorest of the poor. The mission also provides clean water, housing, develops permaculture as well as grows crops and cultivates other vegetation for villagers.

For each student enrolled in the school, it is Father Meaux's goal to provide 1 goat. This goat becomes a family's savings account, providing nutrition and a means of income through the sales of any baby goats birthed. This can in turn pay for education, food, clothing, or other needs. As in the past, St. Mary's students have partnered with Father Meaux to provide funds to be used in the purchase of goats for the mission. Each goat costs \$80 and we were able to raise \$1,230 to purchase 15 goats total.

Thank you for your continued financial support and prayers for Father Meaux and the people the mission is able to support.

As they say in Haiti "MERCII"