

St. Mary's



BLUE NOTES

Wednesday, January 13, 2010

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Dates to Remember:



Thurs. (TOMORROW), 1/14: Our varsity boys' basketball last home game at 4:45; come out and honor our team at their

final home appearance!

Also TOMORROW: First planning meeting for 60th anniversary celebration at 7:00 p.m. in cafeteria boardroom (see next page).

Fri., 1/15: Parent confirmation letter for report cards due signed.



Mon., 1/18: MLK Holiday—**no school!**

Tues., 1/19: Faith Rally t-shirt contest entries due (see opposite).

Thurs., 1/21: Used school uniform sale in Columbus Hall all day.

Sun., 1/24: Tennessee Right to Life's local March for Life (see next page).

Wed., 1/27: H1N1 flu shot at St. Mary's School (see opposite).

Principal's Corner

Dear Families & Friends,

Now that we have slipped quietly back into Ordinary Time on the Church's calendar, following Sunday's Feast of the Lord's Baptism, it is good to reflect on the beauty of everyday life lived in God's presence. The "ordinary" in Ordinary Time simply refers to "ordinal," or *counted*, days—or, to put it another way, *every day counts* on our journey to Heaven.

In the Gospel passage for today, Jesus demonstrates His divine power over illness and evil spirits, and his disciples tell Him that "everyone is look for You." A good reminder to us of how we should be "looking for Christ," each and every day.

Please keep Mrs. Jessica Franklin, our 3rd grade teacher, and her husband Charles in your prayers, as he continues to suffer from the effects of cancer and a cerebral hemorrhage.

In Christ,

Sister Andrea Marie, O.P.
Principal

Faith Rally T-Shirt Contest



Please see the Resource Documents for the handout on this year's Faith Rally T-Shirt Contest, open to all students! Theme: "Go into the whole world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Deadline for submission is Tuesday, January 19!

FREE H1N1 Flu Shot Coming to St. Mary's on Wednesday, 1/27!

For those of you who are interested in having your children receive an H1N1 ("swine") flu shot OR nasal mist, the Anderson County Health Department will be here on **Wednesday, January 27**, to

administer this service free. Please see the Resource Documents section of ParentsWeb to for the appropriate permission form. **Please turn in this form signed and completed by NEXT TUESDAY, 1/19, so the health department can bring enough vaccine.**



Technology Thank-You!



A big "thank-you" to the The Van Berkel family and Vascular Diagnostics of Oak Ridge (Dr. and Mrs. Stanley), for purchasing 25 flat screen monitors for our computer lab!

Advent Family Mass



Thank you to the decorations committee, food committee, planning committee, and praying committee! Home & School would like to thank the many volunteers who made the Advent Family Mass with Bishop Stika such a wonderful event. Your time and talent invested in this evening were appreciated by the many families of St. Mary's. Blessings to all families in 2010!



B-Ball Jerseys for Sale

St. Mary's old JV basketball uniforms are up for sale for \$5.00 per top. Great for wearing during practice—or just as a keepsake! Proceeds will go into the booster club fund and be used for future equipment and uniforms!

60th Anniversary Dinner & Dance 2010 Planning Meeting



We will be having our first planning meeting for the 60th Anniversary Dinner Dance this Thursday, January 14, at 7:00 p.m. in the boardroom of the

cafeteria. The dinner dance is a celebration of the 60th Anniversary of the founding of our school and will be held on October 9, 2010. Please come if you are interested in helping us plan this exciting event! If you have any questions please call Kathryn Chou @ 242-8609. Hope to see you there!

Geography Bee TOMORROW!



The top ten scorers from the classroom competition, held yesterday, 1/12, will compete in the school competition to be held after school on Thursday, January 14, 2010. Families and friends will be invited to the school competition.

The school winner will then take a written test to see if he or she qualifies for the state competition to be held in Nashville. State winners then compete at the national level for a \$25,000 college scholarship at a competition hosted by Alex Trebek from Jeopardy!



Tennessee March for Life

Tennessee Right to Life will be sponsoring its March for Life on Sunday, January 24 at 2:00 PM (rain or shine). Please see the flyer in the Resource Documents section. Marchers will meet at Calvary Baptist Church, 3200 Kingston Pike, for a brief prayer service and then we will March approximately 3/4 mile to Tyson Park, where shuttles will transport participants back to their cars at the church. Last year, over 800 people came—there's never been a more important time to stand for life!

Posting Announcements in RenWeb & Blue Notes

All general/school-wide announcements must be submitted to Bettie Johnson at bjohnson@smcor.org **by 3 p.m. on Tuesday** to be posted by Wednesday in RenWeb and/or *Blue Notes*. RenWeb and Blue Notes will only be posted/updated by noon on Wednesdays. Be sure you have Adobe Reader 9 to read/download the *Blue Notes* (available as a free download at <http://get.adobe.com/reader/>)