

St. Mary's

BLUE NOTES



Wednesday, January 5, 2011

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Dates to Remember:



Fri., 1/7: "Blue & White Night" at St. Mary's gym; basketball games starting against St. John Neumann at 4:30 p.m.

Mon., 1/17: NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King, Jr., holiday



Thurs., 1/20: Used uniform sale in Columbus Hall

Sun., 1/30: Open House at St. Mary's School; *Catholic Schools Week* begins

Mon., 2/1 – Fri., 2/5: *Catholic Schools Week* (schedule TBA), concluding with Faith Rally on Friday



Fri., 2/18 – Tues., 2/22: NO SCHOOL, Presidents' Day & Bishop's Day holidays

SPIRIT WEAR DAYS AT SCHOOL

Show your St. Mary's spirit and wear your **Crusader spirit wear, Blue Ribbon shirts/sweatshirts, OR Fall Festival 2010 shirts** to school on the following days:

THIS FRIDAY, 1/7; and Monday, **1/24.**



Principal's Corner

Dear Families & Friends,

Although the rest of the world has packed away every manger scene, decoration, and string of lights, in reality the Christmas season continues throughout this week, concluding this coming Sunday with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.



Fr. Bill gave us all a good reminder at last Sunday's Mass for the Solemnity of the Epiphany—the visit of the three wise men to the Infant Jesus—that how the world views Christmas often desensitizes us to its true meaning and beauty (and duration!).



As we begin with a new calendar year, the second half of the school year, and many wonderful things to anticipate, let's continue to enjoy the blessings of the Christmas season this week and rejoice in the saving power of the Word made flesh, Who has come to dwell with us.

In Christ,

Sister Andrea Marie, O.P.
Principal

Information on Beneficial Tax Law from

CAPE

Council for American Private Education

The current provisions for tax-free income earnings on educational savings accounts (ESAs) can now benefit families with children in private schools in grades K through 12. For more information, go to CAPE's newsletter at: <http://www.capenet.org/pdf/Outlook361.pdf>

UNIFORM REMINDER: No Green Shirts

The green polo shirts are no longer allowed as uniform shirts. If you have any of these green shirts, we would like to ask you to donate them to NPH (Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos). **You may bring any shirts in good condition to the office or call Crystal Deinhart (671-1642) with any questions.**

Light Weigh at St. Mary's



The Light Weigh Program is coming again to St. Mary's Parish. Are you tired

of constantly struggling with your weight and feeling like food controls you? Prevention Magazine chose Light Weigh because it met their criteria for a safe and healthy faith based diet program. There are no weigh-ins. For more information call facilitator, Lynne Armitage @ 531-1334.



Promoting Films for Family Viewing

A new movement is taking hold on nighttime television that brings back the Family Movie Night. Wal-Mart and Proctor & Gamble are working together to produce family movies that are both entertaining and suitable for everyone. Their next movie is called *A Change of Plans* and **it airs Saturday, January 8th at 8/7c pm on FOX.**

Please follow this link to view the trailer. http://moms4familytv.com/family_tv.php.

Be sure to click on the tab that says "Essay Contest" if you would like to participate.

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/>)