

# St. Mary's



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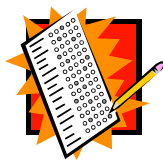
Wednesday, March 30, 2011

### St. Mary's School

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### Dates to Remember:



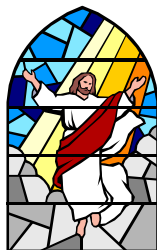
**Mon., 4/4 – Fri., 4/8:**  
ITBS testing, grades 1  
through 8; *please make  
sure your children are*

*well rested and receive a good  
breakfast each morning*

**Thurs., 4/21:** Holy  
Thursday, **11:30 dismissal**  
(not noon)



**Fri., 4/22 –  
Mon., 4/25:** NO  
SCHOOL, Good Friday  
through Easter Monday



**Fri., 5/6:** Grandparents'  
Day, Spring Musical, &  
May Crowning (more info

to come)

**Sat., 5/7:** First Holy  
Communion, St. Mary's  
Church, 5:30 P.M.



**Friday, 5/13:** Field Day, followed by  
Family Cookout from 3:30 to 6:30  
P.M.

**Friday, 5/20:** Volunteer Appreciation  
Breakfast (Location & time TBA)

### Principal's Corner

Dear Families & Friends,

This morning, I told the students that the reading and Gospel for Mass were all about the importance of handing on to others the Law given to us by God. In the reading, we hear Moses reminding the Israelites of the Lord's precepts and encouraging them to "teach them to your children and your children's children." In the Gospel, Jesus tells His disciples that "whoever obeys and teaches these commandments will be called greatest in the Kingdom of heaven"—a good reminder during this Lenten season to encourage one another along the path to holiness!

In Christ,

Sister Andrea Marie, O.P.  
Principal

### Wellness Day & St. Joseph's Altar THANKS!



Many thanks to the Home & School Association for sponsoring our second annual Wellness Day last Friday in St. Mary's gym! Events presented during the morning included bike safety, healthy foods, healthy breathing,

healthy sleeping (*above*), healthy fitness, healthy germs, healthy teeth, healthy sports, and healthy pets (*see baby goat at right*).

Many thanks also to all the students and their families who contributed so generously to St. Joseph's Food Pantry as part of the St. Joseph's Altar display. All the faculty, staff, and students enjoyed Italian wedding cookies at the end of the day from the St. Joseph's Altar!



### Morning Mass Reception THANKS!



Thanks to our 5<sup>th</sup> grade students, their families, and Sr. Augusta for providing a lovely and welcoming after-Mass breakfast reception this morning in the cafeteria boardroom. Quite a few parishioners attended, and the 5<sup>th</sup> graders put on their best host and hostess manners to serve the attendees with attention and courtesy!

## Catholic Charities “Kids Helping Kids” FUN WALK FOR COLUMBUS HOME



Come and walk for a worthy cause on Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, at the campus of Knoxville Catholic High School, to support Catholic Charities of East Tennessee's Columbus Home Children's Services.

Proceeds from the walk benefit children who are neglected, abused, or suffering other endangerment. You can register online at:

[www.columbushomewalk.eventbrite.com](http://www.columbushomewalk.eventbrite.com).

## Vacation Bible School: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Mary's Parish will host its annual Vacation Bible School this year the week of June 6<sup>th</sup>. Please



contact Karen Wilkens-Butz at the Ministry Center, 766-8435, if you can help. Still needed: help with music, crafts, and childcare!

## Basketball & Volleyball Clubs at St. Mary's

St. Mary's School is now offering students the opportunity to hone their basketball and/or volleyball skills once a week after school. Please contact the office or Mrs. Hair for permission slips.

**Volleyball Club:** every Monday, the gym will be open from 3:00 to 5:00 P.M. for 4<sup>th</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls to work on skills and conditioning for next year's volleyball season.



**Basketball Club:** every Tuesday, the gym will be open from 3:00 to 5:00 P.M. for 4<sup>th</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls to work on skills and conditioning for next year's basketball season.



## Southern Appalachian Science & Engineering Fair WINNERS!

Congratulations to the following St. Mary's students who received a Certificate of Excellence Award (as yet unspecified) at yesterday's SASEF at UT's Thompson-Boling Arena: Natalia Gorronдона, Connor Krings, Emma Milloway, Sierra Mushett, Christopher Romanoski, and Gabby Romanoski! Several of our students were also interviewed by WBIR for their "News at Five" broadcast last night; we will post the website link to RenWeb as soon as it becomes available.

## Posting Announcements in RenWeb & Blue Notes

All general/school-wide announcements must be submitted to Bettie Johnson at [bjohnson@smcor.org](mailto: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/>)