

St. Mary's



BLUE NOTES

Thursday, April 1, 2010

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Dates to Remember:

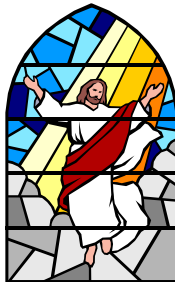


Today, 4/1: Holy Thursday, noon dismissal

Fri., 4/2 – Sun., 4/11: Easter break

Mon., 4/12: School resumes

Thurs., 4/22: Spring Musical at 6:00 p.m. in the gym



Fri., 4/23: Grandparents' Day; Spring Musical at 10:00 in the gym



Sat., 4/24: St. Mary's School and Church First Holy Communion at 5:30 p.m.

Fri., 5/7: May Crowning at 11:00 a.m.

Fri., 5/14: Field Day and Lap the Map fun run, followed by Volunteer Appreciation cookout

Tues., 5/18: 8th Grade Graduation, 6:00 p.m.

Wed., 5/26: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL, NOON DISMISSAL

Principal's Corner

Dear Families & Friends,



Our blessing-cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

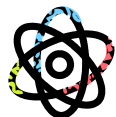
The responsorial Psalm at this evening's Mass of the Lord's Supper reveals how poignant is this night when Jesus gave us the precious gift of the Holy Eucharist—and then was betrayed and abandoned by His Apostles. I know we can all place

ourselves around that table and reflect on the times we, too, have betrayed the Lord in thought, word, and deed....

Let us then repent of our sins and accompany Jesus on His road to the Cross, so that in the dawn of Easter morning, the joy of the risen Lord will be ours.

With prayers for a Blessed Easter,

Sister Andrea Marie, O.P.
Principal



Oak Ridge Science Fair **WINNERS!**

Congratulations to the St. Mary's School students who participated in the first ever Oak Ridge Science Fair last weekend: there were winners all around! 5th Grade Life Science, 1st Place, "Bacterial Smackdown!" Elena Martin; 4th Grade Physical Science, 3rd Place, "The Fastest Way to Satisfy the Cookie Monster" Olivia Milloway; 5th Grade Physical Science, 2nd Place, "Iron - What's in it For You?" Shannon Rearden. Each of these winners won a \$10 Wal-Mart gift card, a medal & certificate, and a US Savings Bond. Grand Prize Division: 1st Place, Elena Martin, "Bacterial Smackdown!" Elena won a trip to Huntsville Space Camp with a parent!

Many thanks to Mrs. Cathy Lowden and Dr. Gerry Simmons for preparing our students so well!

SPRING MUSICAL Info on RenWeb



Please check for important information and practice resources for the Spring

Musical/Grandparents' Day under the "Music/Liturgy" link in the Student Information section on RenWeb.

Serra Club Essay Contest HONORABLE MENTION

Congratulations to 8th grader Kate Longaker for her Honorable Mention in the Serra Club of Knoxville Essay Contest for the Year of the Priest! Serrans and St. Mary parishioners Leo and Florence Holland presented the award to Kate at the all-school Mass on March 19th.

Walk/Run for the Endowment: Lap the Map!



The next planning meeting for our annual Endowment Fund fundraiser has been set for **Wednesday, April 15, at 8:00 a.m. in Columbus Hall.** Anyone interested in helping is welcome to come. This year the children will be participating in a pledge-sponsored walk/run on May 14th to raise funds for the Endowment at St. Mary's School. For more information contact Kathryn James at 466-2419 or Karen Zebroski at 482-1547.



Parent Resource for ONLINE/PHONE SAFETY

To access a great document for discussing online/phone safety with your children, go to

<http://www.onguardonline.gov/pdf/tec04.pdf>.

This PDF document can also be found on RenWeb under Resource Documents.



Send in Items for TerraCycle!

We are now collecting packaging and/or containers for drink pouches, lunch kits, chips, and many other items to divert them from landfills and earn money! Please see the RenWeb Resource Documents section for the "TerraCycle Letter" with more details!

PARENT PERCEPTION SURVEY Now Open on RenWeb



The St. Mary's School Parent Perception Survey is now open! To access, please click on the "Survey" tab under the School Information section on the left side of the Home page in ParentsWeb. Please note that **the survey is comprised of three separate sections**, so be sure to complete all three. We value your input and look forward to

sharing the results with you.

This survey is anonymous, and all answers are confidential. Be sure to **click the "SUBMIT" button** to save your answers!



Home & School Updates

If you would like to receive e-mail reminders on upcoming Home & School events and/or *Blue Note* reminders, please e-mail Carolyn Krings at

kringsk@aol.com.

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/>)