

Pastor's Corner

My Dear Friends,

First, many thanks to Fr. Bob Ippolito, M.S. and Fr. Hector LaChapelle, M.S. who visited us last weekend at St. Mary's while I was preaching at St. Brendan the Navigator Church in Shallotte. I hope you enjoyed the change of pace.



Second, this is Catholic Schools' Week, a time when Americans honor those who make Catholic Schools possible. Heartiest congratulations to the students, teachers, staff, and parents of St. Mary Catholic School! Our School, now in its 139th year, continues to grow and flourish. God has never let us down, and we thank him for the many graces he is showering up us.

Third, many thanks go to all who made our First Annual Polish Dinner a smashing success! The dinner, sponsored by Council 1074 of the Knights of Columbus, was sold-out way in advance.

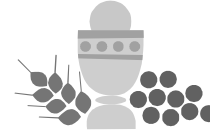
Fourth, it's time once again for our Bishop's Annual Appeal (BAA). This weekend, we will enjoy the film that the Bishop of Raleigh has prepared for us describing some of the many ways our donations help with various diocesan ministries.

Next weekend, we will have our annual in-pew solicitation, a time we make financial pledges for the six months of the campaign.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
- Father Bob



Liturgies & Paraliturgies Including Mass Intentions



Saturday, January 24:

4:00 – 4:45 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:30 pm Mass – † Emma Jacin
Offered by Barbara and Tony Caracciolo
7:00 pm Mass – Mass for the Parishioners

Sunday, January 25:

8:00 am Mass – † Peter Cento
Offered by The Richard Keegan Family
9:30 am Mass – † Arthur Casale
Offered by Maria and Jack Kacmarski
11:00 am Mass – † Barbara Worden
Offered by James Worden
1:00 pm Mass – Mass for the Parishioners

Monday, January 26:

7:30 am Mass – † All Souls in Nguyen Families
Offered by Joseph

Tuesday, January 27:

7:30 am Mass – † Raymond V. Reamer
Offered by Father Bob and the Parishioners of St. Mary Parish

Wednesday, January 28:

7:30 am Communion Service

Thursday, January 29:

7:30 am Mass – † Catherine Marilyn and Joseph Sylvester
Offered by Rita Ackert

Friday, January 30:

8:30 am Mass – † Emily Chandler Karns
Offered by Faculty, Staff and Students of St. Mary School

Saturday, January 31:

4:00 – 4:45 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:30 pm Mass – † Emma Jacin
Offered by Barbara and Tony Caracciolo
7:00 pm Mass – Mass for the Parishioners

Sunday, February 1:

8:00 am Mass – † Florence Donovan and Ann Larkin
Offered by The Rita Ackert
9:30 am Mass – Sister Clare Joseph
Offered by Richard and Magdalen Twiss
11:00 am Mass – † Robert and Mary Shannon
Offered by John H. Shannon
1:00 pm Mass – Mass for the Parishioners

Weekend Mass Schedule at a Glance

Saturday Mass in English – 5:30 pm
Saturday Mass in Spanish – 7:00 pm
Sunday Mass in English – 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:00 am
Sunday Mass in Spanish – 1:00 pm

To schedule a **Mass Intention**, to donate the **Altar Flowers** in memory of a loved one or special occasion, or for information on **Baptism**, please come to the Parish Office or call 762-5491.

Today's Readings

First Reading — The Ninevites turn from their evil way in response to Jonah's message (Jonah 3:1-5, 10).

Psalm — Teach me your ways, O Lord (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — The world in its present form is passing away (1 Corinthians 7:29-31).

Gospel — Jesus proclaims, "Repent, and believe in the gospel." The new disciples abandon their nets and follow him (Mark 1:14-20).

Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 3:22-30
 Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Mk 3:31-35
 Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Mk 4:1-20
 Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Mk 4:21-25
 Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Mk 4:26-34
 Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday

Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

Readings for the week may be found on
www.thestmaryparish.org - Click on *Worship*

The Shrine of St. Mary Saturday Devotion
Saturday, February 7th, 2009
8:00 am

Each First Saturday of the month, Holy Mass will be celebrated on the common remembrance day of our Blessed Mother. This Mass is to provide one more way for the faithful to honor Mary and ask for intercession in our petitions to her Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Camillus Ministers Needed

If you are interested in becoming a Camillus Minister, please call Frank Grant at 392-6084

**Scrip Card Information**

If anyone is interested in buying Scrip cards to support St. Mary School, please contact Lisa Picken at 679-4120 or Catherine Jones at 798-2389 and we will be glad to assist you with Scrip.



AAMEN
Corner

Chapter meeting will be held at 5pm Tuesday, January 27th in the Tileston Building.

Please Pray for Our Sick

Shirley Ammons	Janet Dow ell	Lindsay McDuffie
Robyn Baily	Madeline Dow ell	Elizabeth Militscher
Charles Baird	Lucy Cow en Gaw loski	Kathy Murphy
Evelyn Baird	Shari George	John Pavolonis
Stephanie Barrow s	Mildred Gibbons	Gina Petrone
Cheryl Bezek	Kristal Grant	Laura Purin
Arenda Bingham	Michael J. Gressman	Geraldine Saburn
Judy Brooks	William Grundy	Adell Suhoski
Lecia Burns	Mary Hay wood	John Leroy Trader
Mary Buttigieg	Andrew Kegl	Felix Usewicz
Mary Cahill	Josephine Kidney	Catherine Veres
C.J. Carroll	Anna Lenortavage	Chris Watson, Jr.
Clara Carter	Francis Leonard	Jim Watters
Jeanne Currier	Louise Leonard	Jeff Weeks
Barbara DeBellis	Patrick Leonard	Sheila Weeks
Karen Kendig Doubek	Mary Eugenia Mazur	Jeff Wiener
	Gary McDaniel	Sheila Wolfe

To add or remove a name, please contact:
bulletin@thestmaryparish.org or 395-2063.

St. Mary Nursery News

The nursery is now open for 9:30 Sunday Mass!

We are always in need of volunteers - contact

Allen and Kelly Sanderson at nursery@thestmaryparish.org or you may stop by the nursery before and after the 9:30 Sunday mass.

English as a Second Language Classes

Classes are Sundays from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm in the Tileston Building.

Volunteer teachers as well as clerical help is needed.

No experience is necessary.

Please contact the Church office.

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Wilmington Court #1036 will hold their next meeting on

Monday Feb. 2 at 7:00 PM

in the Clubhouse at Jumpin' Run.

All Catholic women are invited to attend.

SISTERS' JUBILEE

You are invited to join the Women Religious of our Diocese to celebrate the gift of Consecrated Life with Sister Marion McGillicuddy, Society of St. Ursula of St. Mary Catholic Church for the witness of her 65 years of Religious Profession. The date is February 7, 2009 at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Raleigh. The Liturgy will be at 11 am, celebrated by The Most Reverend Michael F.

Burbidge, Bishop for the Diocese of Raleigh. Please join Sr.

Marion for this extraordinary anniversary.

Senior Singles Meeting

Sunday, February 1st

12:30 pm

Olympia Restaurant

5629 Oleander Drive

For information, call Gloria 395-4307

St. Mary Gospel Choir CDs are back!

Thank you for the tremendous response we received in December from the sale of the Gospel Choir's CDs which sold out pretty quickly. The St. Mary Gospel Choir has restocked the St. Mary Parish Bookstore with 25 more CDs due to demand. Please visit the Parish Bookstore if you need a copy of the CD. Thank you for your kind and loving support of the Gospel Choir!

2008 Contribution Statements

are available for pick up in the Parish Office

Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

The Week Ahead In Our Parish

Saturday, January 24:

Youth Gospel Choir Rehearsal* - 9:00 am in the Church

Gospel Choir Rehearsal* - 10:15 am in the Church

Debra Buenrostro – Vicente Buenrostro Wedding – 2:00 pm in the Church

RCIA Classes* – 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm in Tileston

Sunday, January 25:

Nursery* – Available at the 9:30 am Mass

Catholic School's Week Opening Mass – 9:30 am
School Open House (k-8) 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Faith Sharing* - 9:45 am in Tileston

English as a Second Language Class* - 11:00 am – 12:30 pm in Tileston

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* - 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm in the Church

Middle and High School Youth Group* - 6:00 pm – 7:15 pm in Tileston

Monday, January 26:

Contemporary Choir Rehearsal* - 7:00 pm in the Church

Hispanic Youth Group* - 7:30 pm in Tileston

Grupo De Alcohólicos Anónimos*
8:00 – 9:30 pm en el gimnasio

Tuesday, January 27:

Divine Mercy Chaplet* –
12:30 pm in the Chapel at Tileston

Adult Education* – 6:00 pm in Tileston

Wednesday, January 28:

School Open House (k-8) 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Thursday, January 29:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* - 8:00 am – 9:00 am in the Church

School Open House (preK3-4) 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Renaissance Choir Rehearsal* - 7:30 pm in the Church

Friday, January 30:

Grupo De Alcohólicos Anónimos*
8:00 – 9:30 pm en el gimnasio

Saturday, January 31:

Youth Gospel Choir Rehearsal* - 9:00 am in the Church

Gospel Choir Rehearsal* - 10:15 am in the Church

Rebecca Lipka – Erica Scott Wedding – 2:00 pm in the Church

RCIA Classes* – 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm in Tileston

*denotes weekly activity



Knights of Columbus Council 1074

On Saturday, January 17th, the St. Mary School cafeteria was packed with Parishioners from all over. The event was sold out with 180 people celebrating their Polish heritage with food, drink, dance and friendship. Thanks especially to our "chefs" Gary and DeAnna Plocki and Louise Owen. Thanks also go to Alex Plocki, Kenny, Aubrey and Haley O'Leary, Harry and Karen Bielawa, James Shaefer, Jack Buckingham, Carl Black, Jim Worden, Mike and Joe Daley, Dave King, Frank Bua and Mike Fedarko. We look forward to seeing you in January of 2010 for St. Mary's Second Annual Polish Dinner.



2009 St. Mary Parish Polish Dinner "Staff"



ST. MARY'S 5TH ANNUAL MARDI GRAS DINNER CELEBRATION

SATURDAY February 21st 2008 6:30 pm
St. Mary school café



Plenty of Beads & Doubloons with Good Louisiana Food, Music & Revelry

CHICKEN & SAUSAGE JAMBALAYA

CRAWFISH PIE

SHRIMP & ANDOUILLE GUMBO

LOUISIANA FRIED CATFISH

GREEN SALAD FRENCH BREAD

BREAD PUDDING WITH BUTTER PECAN RUM

SAUCE

MARDI GRAS KING CAKE

Cash Bar of wine & Abita Beer
from Louisiana

COSTUMING & LETTING LOOSE

ENCOURAGED

Tickets \$30 for adults

\$15 for children 6-12

Tickets Available in the

St. Mary Parish office

412 Ann Street



All Proceeds benefit the
Tileston restoration campaign

From the Office of Social Outreach

Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

By: Sister Isaac

As we reflect these days on the deep meaning of the Gospel message we sense that there is an **urgency** about responding to God’s call to get up and change our lives. In the first reading Jonah goes around town telling his neighbors they need to reform their lives – things are really pretty bad and destruction is looming. Sound familiar? The Word of God just wasn’t written to tell a neat story. It is alive and active for us today. Nineveh repented and turned things around.

Mark tells the story of Jesus calling together the disciples. They left what they were doing and followed. They heard the message; they listened. In the hectic pace all around us can we hear the call to forgive, to heal, to comfort, and to reach out to our neighbor? We don’t need reminders that these are difficult times and we might ask, “Lord, why don’t you do something about it?” so we won’t have people lining up in the cold at 5:30 am in order to get some help. As I have mentioned before the Lord answers our question...“I did do something, I made you!” As G.K. Chesterton wrote, it isn’t that Christianity has failed; it is just that it hasn’t been tried. How might I respond to the call to be whom I profess to be – a follower of Jesus? We have work to do!

Special Need of the Week



We often have requests for soap powder so our guests might do their laundry. On the few occasions we have had some, we package it up and it goes very quickly. A box goes a long way and even if you just share a few “baggies” of your own, we will be able to meet a need that is out there. This is another way to support **Share Sunday** which is next week.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday from 8:00 am - 9:00 am and
 Sunday from 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm and on the
 First Fridays of the month from 9:30 am – 3:30 pm

**SAINT MARY PARISH BOOKSTORE
 Winter Schedule**

Your local source for Catholic books and gifts

Sunday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Tuesday 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Wednesday 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Thursday 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Friday 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Diocesan Events

Get Ignited!

7th Annual IGNITED BY TRUTH Catholic Conference

Friday evening, February 13, 2009 and all day
 Saturday, February 14, 2009. Join us at the Raleigh Convention
 Center, 500 South Salisbury Street, Raleigh, NC 27601.
 Visit www.ignitedbytruth.com for complete details.

Project Rachel Support Group

Project Rachel assists women and men who have been wounded by abortion find truth and healing. There is a support group beginning in the Triangle area in late February. If you would like more information about the support group contact Project Rachel at (919) 852-1021 or email projectrachel@nc.rr.com. For more information go to <http://projectrachelinc.org>. Calls and appointments are kept strictly confidential.

Special program for the 2000th anniversary of the birth of St. Paul

Sunday, January 25, 2009, 3:00 pm
 Program sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Raleigh Offices of Campus Ministry and Ecumenism.
 For more info contact Bro. William Martyn, SA at 919-468-6174.

A Spiritual Journey to the Holy Land

Under the Spiritual Direction of Msgr. Tim O'Connor, St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church - March 2-12, 2009.
 Special Cash Discount Price: \$3459 from Raleigh-Durham plus airport taxes, current fuel surcharges & tips.
 Please contact Msgr. Tim O'Connor at 919-468-6100

"Hunger No More"

Hunger No More is an ecumenical, interfaith conference designed to provide comprehensive and innovative approaches to combating hunger. On February 27 and 28, 2009, The Franciscan Coalition for Justice and Peace will assemble a cast of distinguished hunger activists to offer people of faith a deeper understanding of the root causes of hunger, and what we (individually and collectively) can do to solve hunger at home and abroad.

David Beckmann, President of *Bread for the World* and global leader in advocacy on behalf of the hungry, will headline the conference; flanked by experts in six breakout sessions: *The Global Hunger Crisis...* Take Action on *Local Hunger...* *Hunger Advocacy and Public Policy...* *Climate Change and Hunger...* *Student Activism...* the *Human Face of Hunger: Documentary Perspectives*. For more detailed information and registration, please go to our web site: www.franciscancoalition.org or call 919-847-8205 (ext. 267 or 270).



Bishop's Annual Appeal

Next week we will implement an In-Pew pledge process for the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Ushers will hand out pledge envelopes during Mass while our Pastor explains the need for your help this year and the simple process of making your pledge using this method.

Catholic Family Retreats

The Christian Family Living Center
Topsail Island, NC
910-328-1584

May 8-10, 2009

Mother's Day Retreat – A Family Affair

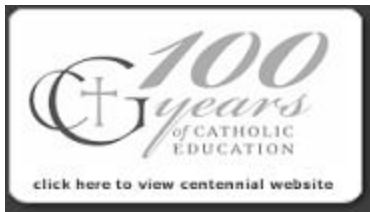
Treat Mom to A Candlelight Dinner and Relaxing Beachfront Get-Away.

This is an opportunity to express the family's appreciation for their mother. A chance to communicate how much you really love her, reconcile the little hurts that arise in any family, and commit to love, honor and cherish her through out the coming year. Ample time for relaxation and strolling the beach. Reconciliation and Mass will be celebrated.
\$70 ages 2-7; \$100 ages 8-adult. Family max is \$490.

June 19-21, 2009

Celebrate Father's Day Weekend

Take time to pay tribute to the most important man in your life at this oceanfront retreat center. Celebrate his love with this spiritually renewing retreat with fun, faith-based activities. Plenty of free time is scheduled for relaxation and strolling the beach. Reconciliation and Mass will be celebrated. \$70 ages 2-7; \$100 ages 8-adult. Family max is \$490.



Celebrate Cardinal Gibbons High School's Centennial
Saturday, January 31, 2009

10:00 a.m. Mass - The Most Rev. Michael F. Burbidge,
Bishop of Raleigh, principal celebrant and
The Most Rev. F. Joseph Gossman, Bishop
Emeritus of Raleigh, principal concelebrant

Open House – enjoy 100 years of history displayed
throughout the school

12:00 Complimentary Luncheon – served by the CGHS
Family Association

Join together in celebration of *100 years of Catholic
secondary education
in the Diocese of Raleigh*

Further information, please visit our 100th Anniversary Web
site linked from www.cghsnc.org
Cardinal Gibbons High School, 1401 Edwards Mill Road
(across from the RBC Center), Raleigh, NC 27607

2 weeks to Signup for Retrouvaille

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on February 6-8, 2009 call 434-793-0242 or email: retrouvaillenc@msn.com or visit the web site at: www.retrouvaille.org

Office of Youth Ministry

John Walsh, DRE

762-5491 ext. 14

**National Catholic Youth Conference
Grades 9 - 12**

"Christ Reigns"

November 19 – 21, 2009

Attention All Middle School Youth!**Are You Up To The Challenge?**

The Challenge Retreat is an overnight retreat that includes prayer experiences, catechetical sessions and other activities. Middle school youth from all across the Diocese of Raleigh will be participating, so it's also a great way to make new friends. Permission slips can be picked up in the parish offices during normal business hours and on Sunday mornings.

We are in need of chaperones (over the age of 25) for this retreat as well. If you are interested in chaperoning please contact me. Attendance will be on a first come, first serve basis and restricted to the number of chaperones we will have.

Dates, times, location and cost for the Challenge Retreat:
7:00 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6 - 11:00 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 7
St. Mark's Catholic Church
Wilmington
\$40.00 per youth/ \$40.00 per adult
Deadline for registration: 11:00 a.m. Monday Jan. 26

First Communion Information

First Communion is celebrated during weekend parish liturgies. This allows for the entire parish to celebrate along with your family and friends. This year, due to our growing population, First Communion will be celebrated over two weekends: April 25 -26, and May 2 – 3. All First Communicant families are asked to choose one of the weekend liturgies that they would like to attend. We can only allow a maximum of 12 families per Mass. Each family will have one row (seats 6-7 people) reserved. Extended family and friends are encouraged to sit in adjacent rows.

Please contact me with your Mass preference and I will do my best to make sure we can accommodate your request. If you have contacted me earlier and reserved your Mass time and date please call me just as a confirmation so I may ensure that all goes smoothly. If I do not hear from you by the date of our First Communion parent meeting (Thursday, April 16 at 7:00 p.m.) you will be asked to pick a mass at that time. During the parent meeting we will discuss dress codes, how the Masses will be conducted, what will be expected of First Communicants and of course answer any last minute questions/ concerns you may have.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and assistance in making sure First Communion will be a blessed and wonderful experience for all involved. I look forward to hearing from you and helping you in any way that I can.

John Walsh
St. Mary Parish DRE

**Celebrations
January 18 - 21**



Presentación en el templo:
Sebastián Díaz Vásquez



In Memoriam
Solsurahi Sarmiento Marquez

**How Long Have You Been a Parishioner
at St. Mary?**

Louise Doherty brought to my attention that her aunt has been a parishioner at St. Mary since 1923 – that is 86 years!

Clementine Lowell, age 97, came with her mother from Poland in 1923 (she was approximately 12 years old) and has lived and worked in the Wilmington community since. She has gone to Catholic Mass at St. Mary's ever since as well.

What About Your Family?

*The best that we can remember, my family joined St. Mary in May of 1999 so we are getting ready to celebrate 10 years at St. Mary.
Kenny, Sandy, Aubrey and Haley O'Leary*

Let me know when you will (or have already) celebrated 5, 10, 15, 20 years or more and I will publish in the bulletin. (5 year increments only please)

Stewardship of Treasure

*"For everything is from you and we only give you what we have received from you."
---- 1 Chronicles 29:14-16*

January 4, 2009

Envelopes Mailed: 1212 Children's' Envelopes Received: 0
Envelopes Returned: 371 Total Children's Offertory: \$ 0.00

	OFFERTORY	BUDGET	EDUCATION
01/04/2009	\$ 15,086.77	\$ 15,250.00	\$ 2132.37
07/01/08 to present	\$ 432,012.33	\$ 430,150.00	\$ 16959.14

Thank you for generously supporting the Church with your time, talent and treasure.

**Liturgical Minister's Schedule
Weekend of January 31 – February 1**

For Masses in English
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
-Schedule does not show substitutions-

	Saturday 5:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Sunday 9:30 a.m.	Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Eucharistic Minister	S. Babilonia J. Chandler E. Harris B. Kenny J. Malek D. Thompson S. Watts	M. Adkins F. Bua J. Bua B. Grace O. Niles L. Parker S. Parker	L. Dezio E. Flewellin P. Gross L. Johnson B. Murtagh J. Murtagh Y. Sims	T. Bennett T. Bruhn R. Clifton A. Edwards G. Hill D. Linkfield J. O'Keefe
Lectors	C. Lively J. Marchese	B. Habib M. Leta	A. Rogers T. Smith	J. Kendig L. Perunko
Altar Servers	L. Strader S. Strader M. Truman	K. Black R. Fry E. Gittings	J. Daley E. Dowd M. Harris	C. Marlow G. Turbevillie J. Turbevillie

Eucharistic Ministers Needed

Please consider becoming a part of this important and special ministry. We are in need of ministers to serve at all of the weekend Masses, but especially the Sunday (particularly the 9:30 am) masses. "Many hands make light work." Please contact Stephanie Watts (799-7623) to schedule a short training session. Your help is appreciated.

R U a Secular Franciscan, and looking for a local fraternity?
or

R U wondering what it would be like to become one?
The local fraternity meets the third Sunday of the month at 2:00 PM

For more information contact:
Frank Bindewald at 452-7603 or fbindewald@ec.rr.com
or Linda Perunko at 399-7695 or lperunko@ec.rr.com



**Bulletin Editor
Bulletin Update**

You may notice that this week's bulletin has some changes in the format. I am trying to make the bulletin easier for you to read and to find what you are looking for by labeling each section.

*Pages 2, 3, 4, and 5 will have St. Mary Parish News
Page 5 and 6 will have News from around the Diocese*

Page 7 will remain as Celebrations, Liturgical Minister's schedule, Offertory information and anything else that I need to squeeze in.

*Page 8 will still be St. Mary School News
Pages 9 and 10 will remain as Hispanic News*

*Please be patient with me as I move things around in the weeks to come for an overall better bulletin.
Let me know what you think!!*

If you have news, information and/or events that you want to see in the bulletin, please email them to me at:
bulletin@thestmaryparish.org or call 395-2063.

Sandy O'Leary
Any errors and/or omissions are solely my mistake.



From the Desk of Joyce Price, Principal

Dear St. Mary Catholic School Families,

I am pleased to tell you about the National Geographic Geography Bee results. Congratulations to the following students who represented their classes after class eliminations:

- Grade 4 – Colleen Martinez and Clint Turbeville
- Grade 5 – Natalie Foley and Ian Wiley
- Grade 6 – Hannah Haupricht and Alice Hudson
- Grade 7 – Harvey Hoopes and Cosette Taggart
- Grade 8 – Kelsey Hamm and Abigail Reimel

The third place winner was Kelsey Hamm and in second place was Hannah Haupricht. The winner of our Bee who will go on to Regional Competition is Harvey Hoopes! Good luck in the next round, Harvey . We are proud of all of you.

This week we sent home the re-enrollment information to our current families. These packets went to youngest and only students. The priority enrollment period ends on January 30th. We will then begin enrolling new students.

Catholic Schools Week

During this week of celebrating our school, we have many fun events planned for families and students. The theme of National Catholic Schools Week is "Service", which is something that are students and faculty are used to practicing. During the week we will be reminded about many different ways that we can help others as we are blessed with so much. We will be running another book drive for our friends at the Home of Hope orphanage in Kochi , India . Please consider sending in a book or books to



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

**ST. MARY SCHOOL
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2009
"Catholic Schools Celebrate Service"
January 25 – January 30, 2009**

Sunday, January 25th

9:30 am Opening Children’s Liturgy – St. Mary Church
Open House (10:00 am – 2:00 pm) for Prospective Families

Monday, January 26th Student Appreciation Day

8:05 – 8:45 am Parent/Grandparent Breakfast
(Grades PreK, K, and 1)

Button Day

Non-uniform “Color” Day

Assembly – “No Sleeves Magic”

No Homework

Tuesday, January 27th “Community Day”

8:05 – 8:45 am Parent/Grandparent Breakfast
(Grades 2, 3, and 4)

Good Shepherd House Lunches Due

Bring in Books for “Home of Hope” Project all week
Bring in Personal Hygiene Items (deodorant, shampoo, toothpaste/brushes, soap,combs, and razors) all week

Wednesday, January 28th “Nation Day”

8:05 – 8:45 am Parent/Grandparent Breakfast
(Grades 5 and 6)

“Valentines for Veterans” will be made today.

Open House (10:00- 2:00 pm) for Prospective Families

Thursday, January 29th “Vocations Day”

8:05 – 8:45 am Parent/Grandparent Breakfast
(Grades 7 and 8)

Cards for Seminarians will be made today.

St. Mary and St. Mark Basketball Game, 8th Grade
10:00am

Vocations Assemblies

Friday, January 30th “Teacher Appreciation Day”

8:30 am Children’s School Liturgy
Talent Show (1:30 pm) – Tileston Auditorium

**St. Mary School Falcons Sports
Boys and Girls Basketball Shedule**

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
01/26	St. Mark	Home	4:00 girls – 5:00 boys
01/29	Myrtle Grove	Away	4:00 girls – 5:00 boys
02/02	Harrells	Home	4:00 girls – 5:00 boys

Check webpage for any schedule changes

Dates to Remember

- January 25 – 31 – Catholic School Week
- January 30 – Report Cards
- February 16 – President's Day – No Class
- March 27 – Noon Dismissal