



*God of love, My prayer is simple:
Your son, Jesus, suffered and died for me.
I know only that I cannot have real strength
unless I rely on you.
I cannot feel protected from my many weaknesses
until I turn to you for forgiveness and your unalterable love.
Help me to share this strength, protection and love with others.*

Dear Parents,

THANK YOU for allowing me the opportunity to inspire your children academically, physically and spiritually.

St. Mary's students, preschool – 8th grade, are such a JOY, always happy, courteous, positive, and brightens everyday – **even the cold ones.**

I look forward to working together as a Catholic school community encouraging our students to DREAM BIG and as our one of my former Superintendents said often “we are here to prepare our students for Heaven and TO BE SMART TOO”!!

I hope all of you will have time over spring break to enjoy **family, friends** and **faith** as we prepare to celebrate the JOY of Easter.

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Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross is a Lenten devotion that offers witness to Jesus' Passion and Death. At each station we use our senses and our imagination to reflect prayerfully upon Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection, and to simply experience the visual images to reflect on Christ's love for us.

Please join us on **Wednesday, March 21rd at 6:00p.m. for a reenactment of the STATIONS OF THE CROSS** followed by a light dinner in the gym!



Reconciliation

Our 2nd Graders will be celebrating Reconciliation on Sunday, April 7th at 10:00a.m. A BIG thank you to Ms. Janowski and Ms. Hood who are preparing our students for this very special day!

First Holy Communion

Our 3rd Grade students will be celebrating their First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 21st at 10:00 a.m. Mrs. Skidmore and Ms. Torres have been working with our third graders as they prepare for this celebration! A special Communion Retreat will be held on Friday, April 13th!



National Geographic Bee

Congratulations to Jonathan T. one of our 8th graders, who has qualified to compete in the state level competition of the **National Geographic Bee! WAY TO GO JONATHAN!!!**

One champion from each state and territory will advance to the National Geographic Bee Championship, which will be held May 20-23 at the National Geographic Society headquarters in Washington, D.C. Transportation and accommodations for the Washington, D.C. trip are provided for each state champion and one parent/guardian.

We wish Jonathan the best of luck as he continues in the competition!

Da Vinci Field Trip

Our 7th graders had the opportunity to visit the Da Vinci - The Genius at the New Mexico Museum of Natural History & Science.

The New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science is proud to host the extraordinary Da Vinci, The Genius exhibition created by Grande Exhibitions of Victoria, Australia in collaboration with the Museo Leonardo da Vinci, Rome, and the French scientific engineer Pascal Cotte. This is the most comprehensive traveling exhibition on Leonardo da Vinci ever assembled.

This exhibit will be available through July 29th!

St. Mary's Yearbooks

Yearbooks are on sale now! Order forms are available in the office, please see Mrs. Silva. Yearbooks may be ordered on line at...

YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM

Yearbook ID Code: **13000918**

2018 -2019 Re-registration

Don't forget to turn in your Re-registration packet! Please complete your Re-registration packet and return to school by March 19th.

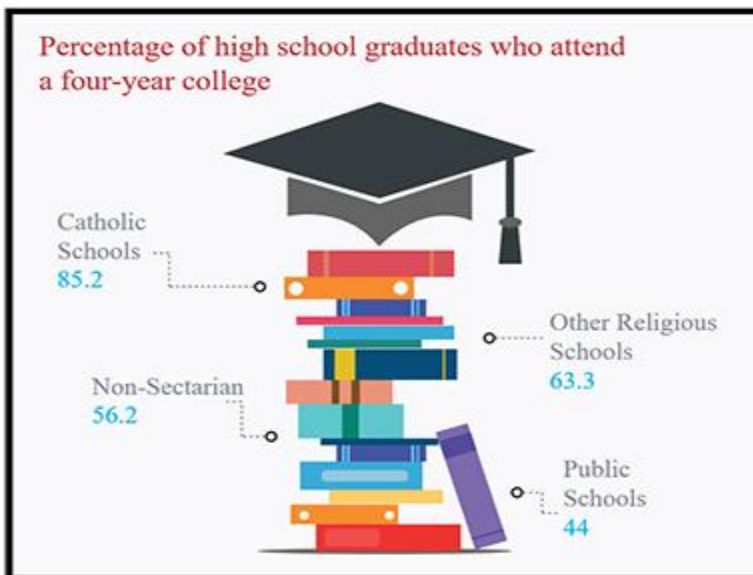
We still have a few families who have not turned in their registration forms for next school year. Please make sure to complete your Re-registration packet and return to school by March 19th.

If you have any questions or concern, please contact Mrs. Terrazas at iterrazas@stmarys.me

Thank you!

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A quick take on issues and statistics



Source: Broughman, S.P. and Swaim, N.L. (2013). Synder, T.D., and Dillow, S.A. (2015).

Run for the Zoo

Run of the Zoo is a day full of fun at the ABQ Bio Park Zoo., featuring running and walking events for all ages! Please see the flyer attached!

Coach Jennings hopes to have the best turn out ever for this event!! What a great way to spend time with family and friends while supporting our community!

STAR Assessments

STAR Reading & Math Assessments will be held April 3rd – 21st. More information will go home after spring break.

Professional Development

We are excited to share that Ms. Perea will be attending the **ASCD Empower18 Conference**. This conference will be held in Boston, MA and will feature speakers, learning sessions, and activities centered on six areas of focus that support the whole child and help advance student achievement. Following our *School Wide Learning Expectations* for our students, we know the importance of being Life-long Learners! This amazing opportunity is being fully funded by Title II Professional Development Funds!

IMPORTANT DATES

March 12 - 16 Spring Break – ENJOY!!

March 21st – Family Night (Lent) – HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!

April 3rd – 21st – STAR Assessment Window

April 7th – Reconciliation 10:00 am

April 21st – First Holy Communion 10:00 am

April 28th-Father Daughter Dance

8TH GRADE GRADUATION -THURSDAY, MAY 17TH

Happy Spring Break