



# The Mariner

**“It’s a great day to be a St. Mary’s Celt!”**

## **Saint Mary Star of the Sea School... Excellence in Education Est. 1889**

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Mission: St. Mary’s Elementary School educates students of all faiths in a safe, nurturing, Christ-centered environment.

“LEARNING TODAY, LEADING FOREVER”

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### **CALENDAR**

#### **Thursday**

Dec 15 Christmas Performance  
1:00pm & 7:00pm

#### **Friday**

Dec 14 Student-led Mass 9:00am

#### **Saturday**

Dec 15 **Reconciliation 10:00am-12:00pm**  
**Please Join Us for Mass!**  
**5:30pm (4:00pm @ St. Stan’s)**

#### **Sunday**

Dec 16 **Please Join Us for Mass!**  
**8:00am or 10:00am**  
**(12:00pm Latin Mass)**  
**(12:00pm @ St. Stan’s \*Spanish Mass!)**

### **Altar Servers**



AM: 1510 FM: 93.3

\*Listen online at: [www.goodshepherdcatholicradio.net](http://www.goodshepherdcatholicradio.net)



#### **JPS BUS**

Please direct any questions directly to JPS at (517) 841-2180.



#### **Lumen Christi Bus**

Registration ([www.jcslumenchristi.org](http://www.jcslumenchristi.org)) and click on “Transportation” under QuickLinks on the right hand side of the home page to get more information and to register.



We have several soft fundraisers that add funds to our school without taking extra money out of your pocket, these are the most current:

#### **Things to send in:**

Box Tops for Education, Coke Rewards Caps – or enter code online, Recycled ink cartridges and cell phones, School Spirit bread wrappers

#### **Things to sign up for:**

Target Red Card, GFS Guest Card, Good Search, Office Depot (ask to credit St. Mary), **Shoparoo App**

#### **St. Mary TRIP (Tuition Reduction Incentive Program)**

TRIP orders are due in the school office on Wednesday mornings **BY** 8:30AM for pick up the following week.

- Applebees - 11% December 1-14
- American Eagle - 11.75% December 1-14
- AMC Theaters - 11% December 1-14
- Barnes & Noble - 12.75% December 1-14
- Bass Pro Shops - 11.75% December 1-14

Thank You,

Cindy & Karen



#### **PSA Weekly**

**REMINDERS:** Student drop off is from 7:45-8:00am. Student pick-up is between 3:05-3:25pm. Office hours are M-F 7:15am-3:30pm.



**Have you  
prayed  
for  
vocations  
today?**

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## Principal's Corner...

Dear St. Mary's Family,

**St. Mary's Christmas Performance- Thursday, 12/13/18 @ 1:00pm and 7:00pm in the Church, All are welcome!**

Thank you Jeannie Gutierrez and all those that volunteered for Santa's Gift Shop this year. Thank you to Lynn Kotcher, Music Teacher and staff for all of your work in support of our Christmas program. Thank you teachers, parents, and students for all of the continued efforts to put Jesus first in your lives. Thank you Cindy Clark for being the best secretary a school could ever ask for! St. Mary Star of the Sea is so blessed to have such an amazing community!

As we wait during the Season of Advent for the coming of Jesus at Christmas we are called to prepare our hearts in preparation. Take the opportunity to participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, seek forgiveness, repent, and ask the Holy Spirit to guide you in focusing on keeping Christ as your center. Model for your children the importance of our relationship with Jesus by actively living the golden rule, participating in the Advent Celebrations, Sacraments, daily prayer, reading the Bible, and most importantly modeling Christ's love. Join us for Mass this week...Jesus is calling!

Many of our families attend Sunday's 10:00am Mass! Come and sit with us and celebrate Jesus with us! Feel free to call me and sit with us if you are nervous about sitting alone.

Thank you for all that you do to make St. Mary's great! You are a blessing.

**God bless and go CELTS!  
See You at Mass,**

*Matthew P. Berkemeier*  
**Disciple of Christ, Servant, and Principal**

## TMIY: Session 2 after the New

**Year!** Calling all St. Mary's Men...you are highly encouraged to take part in the upcoming "That Man Is You" leadership training. I'm excited to take part with the other men of St. Mary's in working together to be the disciples, husbands, and fathers that God calls us to be. Hope to see you there!

## St. Zelig's Women's Study

Every other Thursday at 7:30pm. Meetings (in the home of a member) focus on growing closer to God through prayer, study of Scripture and the teachings of our rich Catholic faith. This group has as it's goal to grow in awareness of God's love for us. For more information, or to join, please contact Elizabeth Anderson at 517-795-1118 or

[Scottish\\_elf\\_nh@yahoo.com](mailto:Scottish_elf_nh@yahoo.com) or on Facebook at St. Zelig's Women's Group.

**Bible Study:** **WEDNESDAY Bible Study, 1:30-3:00pm** The upcoming Sunday readings are studied to encounter God's messages. In the Parish Office Building, Immaculata Hall.

**FORMED:**  
[stmaryjackson.formed.org](http://stmaryjackson.formed.org) (Code: 7DRGZ9)



God bless our priests! Thank you St. Nicholas and helper. Part of the St. Mary's Difference!

## **SAVE THE DATE:**



**Please like and share our school Facebook page, posts, and invite others to do the same.**



**St. Mary Star of the Sea Council #9301**

All fathers active in our Catholic faith are invited to join our outstanding Knights of Columbus Council. Call anytime for more information.



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If you have requests for postings please email them to [mberkemeier@myjacs.org](mailto:mberkemeier@myjacs.org) no later than 12:00pm noon every Wednesday.