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November 17, 2011

Hello St. Mary Families!

If the only prayer you said in your whole life was,
"thank you," that would suffice.

~Meister Eckhart

Oh what a great week so far! Our students are collecting for the Thanksgiving Food drive, and for stockings for our soldiers, the boxes are pretty empty, so don't forget to bring in items from the list! I watched as Macbeth came alive in one of our classrooms, I saw students taking tests, answering math problems, checking homework, and writing poetry!! What fun it is to learn at St. Mary School!

The students at St. Mary School just got their report cards for first quarter and many made the Honor Roll, the honor roll list will be put in the envelope for all to see. We also have many former students who have made the honor roll at Fenwick; we will be posting their information this week. We really do have brilliant children.

Next week is Thanksgiving, so there will be no Thursday letter So I must let you all know how thankful I am for each and every one of you! There was no mass scheduled for Tuesday before Thanksgiving, so we are going to try to do a little prayer service to let our children have an opportunity to give thanks here at school. It will be at 2:00 PM in the Parish Center, and the children will be dismissed directly afterwards. So stop in and join us, parents and families are always welcome!

Information:

- PIE meeting has been changed, and it will be Monday, the 21st of November at 7:00 PM in the

Oak Room Lounge.

- Another change to dismissal! Every student will be dismissed out the Parish Center doors starting Monday, December 5, 2011. We will be blocking off the Church parking lot on Herrick Road, so children can be dismissed safely in that lot. You can still drive up and pick them up along Herrick Road or park in the Parish Center parking lot on Burlington Avenue and walk over to pick them up. We are trying hard to find the safest way possible to dismiss all our children, so we appreciate your cooperation in this matter.
- All parents are invited to view an art website, www.artsonia.com, where Mrs. Johnson has loaded all your children's art for you to see. To view this, you need to register with the website. If you have trouble getting the security code, simply email Mrs. Johnson, johnsonc@stmaryschool.net, and she will get it to you! Instructions are given when you register.

This is a great opportunity to see your child's art, and is an automatic fundraiser for us!!!

When you order any product with your child's artwork on it, 15% goes directly to St. Mary School for art supplies. Also, there are contests, fan clubs, and a spot for comments. You will also be able to keep track of what we are doing in art class, as it keeps track of all your child has done in class ... this way, even if the original gets ruined, you can

get a copy of it!! Wow, Mrs. Johnson is good, and this helps you stay on top of what she is doing with your children during class!

I know you will check this website out, and I hope you enjoy it as much as other families that are already using it now do!

- The 9:00 AM mass on Thanksgiving morning will have our very own children's choir performing, I hope you get to mass early, so you get seats, as I am sure everyone will be there.
- Our Christmas Boutique is coming together so nicely, the women putting it together are just amazing, so let's all be sure to mark our calendars for Friday, December 2nd to stop in and share the holiday spirit and buy some fun items. Someone has remained behind the scenes in all this, and I really think we need to acknowledge her; Julia Mosbrook of Mosbrook Designs out did herself by putting together flyers, invitations, and generating beautiful ideas! She has been extremely generous and has donated her time as well as the efforts of her company without anyone really realizing all that she is doing. Her work is beautiful and has been extremely generous, so we thank Julia as she has donated many wonderful creative things to Saint Mary – You are truly a blessing!

There will also be some items raffled off ... we already have some really terrific items, but we need more. If you have anything that you think would

be good, or some good ideas, please email Mrs. Navarro at bartznavarro@hotmail.com or turn in your donations at the school office in an envelope labeled “Holiday Boutique Auction” and we’ll be sure to get the item or idea to Mrs. Navarro!

Once the items are all collected, we will start a Pre-Bid option via email. More information to come regarding that!

- The Riverside Junior Woman’s Charity is sponsoring a Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 10th. We are putting the flyer on our website, so look for it there. If you have any question about this community event, you can contact Mrs. Charlotte Zia at ziaclan@sbcglobal.net or at 708-917-6226.
- **Christmas Music Concert is being changed** from Thursday, the 15th of December, to **Tuesday, the 13th of December**. Due to some scheduling conflicts we must change the date. It will still be here at St. Mary School in the Parish Center at 6:00 PM. Looking forward to hearing the children sing, as I know they do it so well!

Reminders:

- Friday, November 18 is the last day to register for the Catholic high school test prep class. We will cover all sections of the test, tips for each type of question, and test anxiety reduction strategies. If there are any questions, please contact Bridget

Watson at 708-473-4307 or at roadrunnerb2@aol.com.

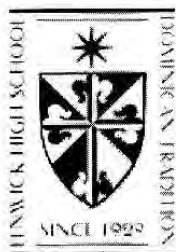
- Don't forget your Poinsettias! They are still on sale this week thru Friday, so get your orders in!
- Photos retakes are next Tuesday, the 22nd, so get gussied up and make it count this time! If you need a photo retake, please return the entire package of pictures from your first photo session. The same package that you originally ordered will be printed with the new image. For those of you, who didn't take a photo, just come ready to smile and get an order form from the school office!
- Join us for the Christmas party to benefit St. Mary School on Saturday, December 3, 2011 at 7:30 PM. This year the festivities will be hosted by a St. Mary family, so check out the website for details.
- Parents of Little Ones, P.O.L.O., is still running every Wednesday, so let your neighbors know that we have this great opportunity for young children right here at St. Mary School! Call our school office for more information!!

I thank you all for allowing us to teach your children, and for supporting the teachers and staff here at St. Mary School day-in and day-out. I thank God for all the blessings He has given me. I am constantly reminded of His goodness and care. Help me to always be thankful and ready to share what has been given to me, so that all people might know the everlasting love and kindness

Jesus has given me. Happy Thanksgiving everyone, enjoy the time with your family and friends, as they are blessings, even when we don't realize it!

Peace,

Ms. Diane M. Simonaitis
Principal
St. Mary School



**FENWICK HIGH SCHOOL
505 WASHINGTON BLVD.
OAK PARK, IL 60302**

Honor Roll by School
for Marking Period 1
2011/2012

St. Mary's School, Riverside

First Honors

Guzman, Nancy	2012	MP1
Jensen, Keith	2012	MP1
Kelly, Joseph	2012	MP1
Krause, Matthew	2012	MP1
McKinley, Martha	2012	MP1
Moran, Patrick	2012	MP1
Reggi, Christopher	2012	MP1
Schoen, Megan	2012	MP1
Split, Ian	2012	MP1
Burda, Joshua	2013	MP1
Cochara, Kevin	2013	MP1
Durkin, Emily	2013	MP1
Faul, Connor	2013	MP1
Gresik, Drew	2013	MP1
Guerrero, David	2013	MP1
Katsis, Christopher	2013	MP1
Mahoney, Michael	2013	MP1
Mullen, James	2013	MP1
Ramos, Andre	2013	MP1
Wert, Charles	2013	MP1
Crook, Madeline	2014	MP1
Durkin, David	2014	MP1
Milleker, Kate	2014	MP1
Murphy, Daniel	2014	MP1
Murphy, Kate	2014	MP1
Murphy, Martha	2014	MP1
O'Bryan, Marni	2014	MP1
Rodriguez, Stephanie	2014	MP1
Schoen, Richard	2014	MP1
Arroyo, Alexander	2015	MP1
Legan, Mitchell	2015	MP1
Mahoney, Jack	2015	MP1
Pondel, Morgan	2015	MP1
Porod, Jennifer	2015	MP1
Reggi, Amelia	2015	MP1

TOTAL: 35

Second Honors

Bigoness, Kevin	2012	MP1
O'Bryan, Maureen	2012	MP1
Rodriguez, Raquel	2012	MP1
Lattner, Daniel	2013	MP1
Lenart, William	2013	MP1
Marquez, Daniel	2014	MP1
DeRouin, Alexander	2015	MP1

Altar Server Training!

- **OPEN TO ALL PEOPLE WANTING TO BECOME ALTAR SERVERS AT ST. MARY'S RIVERSIDE**

(INCLUDING ADULTS!)

- **MUST BE 5TH GRADE OR OLDER**
- **EXISTING SERVERS TOO BUT NOT REQUIRED**
- **MUST RSVP TO:**

ALTARSERVERS.SCHEDULE@GMAIL.COM

OR

708.214.5470

SATURDAYS:

NOV. 19TH

- **ARRIVE IN TIME FOR 830AM MASS**
- **STAY UNTIL NOON (ENDING TIME MAYBE EARLIER DEPENDING ON PARTICIPATION)**
- **SNACK PROVIDED**
- **MUST BRING THE SIGNED PERMISSION SLIP AVAILABLE THROUGH THIS EMAIL OR TEACHERS**
- **CALL OR EMAIL DAN JONES AT ABOVE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR ANY QUESTIONS**

ALTAR SERVER PERMISSION SLIP

This permission slip must be signed by your parents. It gives you their permission to be an altar server at St. Mary Catholic Church (Riverside, IL) and lets them know that you intend to be available when you are assigned to serve Mass, funerals, weddings, or other church functions. If you are unable to serve when scheduled, find a replacement and inform the ministry director at altarservers.schedule@gmail.com or 708-214-5470.

Name: _____

Address: _____

School: _____

Grade: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Have you served Mass at a Catholic Parish before? If so, where?

_____ Yes _____

_____ No

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ **Date:** _____

Please return this permission slip to Dan Jones directly or the rectory office.

Scheduling Needs

On this page, please respond with specific scheduling needs. Understand that the greater the limitations placed upon your schedule, the less frequency of assignments you will receive. I will make every effort to schedule around preferences, but also know that preferences cannot always be met. Please note, email is the ministry's primary method of contact. Schedules are published on the 15th of the prior month and emailed unless other delivery requested. Schedule requests should be submitted prior to the 15th. If you have any questions about this, please email or phone me directly. - Dan Jones

Altar server's name/grade/school _____

Max. num of assignments per month? _____

Can server funerals assuming no school conflict (y/n)? _____

Can never serve.....(specific dates/days/times)? _____

Prefers to serve..... (specific dates/days/times)? _____

List family members who also serve or are otherwise liturgical volunteers (Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Cantors, Choir, Children's Liturgist, Usher, etc...)

**New students,
Absentees &
Retake
Picture Day**



**Tuesday
November 22nd
2011**

Dear Parents,

Van Gogh School Photographers will be taking individual retake photos for those children that were absent or meet one of our acceptable reasons listed below.

Van Gogh School Photographers Inc.
401 Cornell Ave. * Barrington * Illinois 60010
847-382-2282

Below are some acceptable and unacceptable reasons for retakes:

Acceptable reasons:

Eye Closures
Out of Focus
Off Centering
Glare in Glasses
Photographic Flaws (marks on photo)

Unacceptable Reasons:

Change of Clothing
Acne / Braces
Hair style change

PLEASE RETURN THE ENTIRE PACKAGE OF PICTURES YOU ARE UNHAPPY WITH TO THE PHOTOGRAPHER ON RETAKE DAY. WE WILL PRINT THE ORIGINAL PACKAGE ORDERED IN THE NEW IMAGE.

REFUND POLICY: Return the entire picture package to Van Gogh and indicate that you want a refund. Include the name of school, who to make the check out to and return address. No partial refunds given.



Come Support St. Mary School!

(Bring this flyer with you to
Culver's.)

Culver's 10% Benefit Night

When: Tuesday, November 22, 5pm-8pm

Where: Culver's of Lyons

8211 Ogden Ave.

Lyons, IL 60534

10% of the proceeds will go toward 8th grade fundraising.

Enjoy some great food and give yourself a break before
cooking that big Thanksgiving meal!



Special Note to St. Mary Spartans: Culver's of Lyons is only 10 minutes
from St. Louise de Marillac School in LaGrange Park.

Get your team together for a pre-game dinner at Culver's and then head
over to St. Louise for St. Mary 5th, 6th and 8th grade girls' basketball games!

Questions? Contact Meg McKinley at (708) 795-9604.



888.637.3037

Winter is almost here...

**SAVE 10-25% ON SELECT ITEMS
FROM SCHOOLBELLES - ONLY UNTIL DECEMBER 3RD!**
We will be closed on Thursday, November 24th (Thanksgiving) & Friday, November 25th, 2011
Last Day to Save is Saturday, December 3rd, 2011



25% OFF	15% OFF
 <p>Knit Shirts Blouses & Dress Shirts Boys Trousers & Girls Slacks Boys & Girls Walking Shorts Hosiery Ties Backpacks & Lunch Bags</p>	 <p>Sweatshirts Sweatpants Warm-up Suits Sweaters Fleece Pullovers, Jackets & Vests</p>
20% OFF	10% OFF
<p>"School Issue" Brand Shoes* Oxfords ~ Saddle Shoes Mary Janes ~ Gym Shoes Penny Loafers</p>  <p>* To support your school, we'll match the Trimfoot Company donation for a total \$2 per pair of "School Issue" shoes bought at Schoolbelles.</p>	<p>Introducing "Scrub Zone" by Landau Quality Apparel - Value Pricing</p>  <p>Snap Jackets Scrub Tops Scrub Bottoms</p> <p>Scrubs can be found in our retail stores or online using school code "S9002" for Scrubs.</p>

No price adjustments on prior purchases, including existing orders. Discounts only apply to select styles (either with or without monograms, logos or appliques) purchased on new phone, online and in-store orders started during the sale. Sale may not be combined with any other discount or offer. Online prices already reflect the discount.

DID YOU KNOW?



Schoolbelles Wholesale Ordering is Perfect for Upcoming School Functions and Events

- Open House Events
- Catholic Schools Week
- Field Trips
- School Spirit in school and around town
- Team or Club Spirit
- Staff Wear

For more information, contact our Sales Department at sales@schoolbelles.com.

With **Cyber Monday** coming up, there's no better time than now to **"Like" us on Facebook** for special deals and promotions exclusive to our fans!



Schoolbelles School Uniforms

You asked for them....and they are back!

Holiday Poinsettia Sale



Sponsored by the St. Mary "Class of 2012"

Plants are locally grown, & PRE-ORDER only.
 Orders and payments due by **November 14th, 2011**
 Please make checks payable to "St. Mary School"
 Return order form and payment
 to the **school office** marked "Poinsettia Sale"

PICK UP at St. Mary Parish Center Lobby on any of the following dates:

Friday	December 2	2:30 – 3:30p.m.
Saturday	December 3	after 5:00p.m. Mass
Sunday	December 4	after Sunday Masses

For more information or questions call : Liz Durkin 708-447-1458

Poinsettias make great *hostess gifts* and really brighten up *any room* for the holidays!

They come wrapped in holiday foil!

*****Order Form*****

Detach and return with payment.

Name _____ Phone Number _____
 Address _____ e-mail _____

<u>Poinsettias</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Total</u>
4" 1 plant	Red only _____	@\$5.50	_____
6.5" 2 plants	Red _____	@\$13.50	_____
	White _____	@\$13.50	_____
	Pink _____	@\$13.50	_____
7" 2 plants	Red _____	@\$18.00	_____
	White _____	@\$18.00	_____
	Pink _____	@\$18.00	_____
8" 3 plants	Red _____	@\$24.00	_____
	White _____	@\$24.00	_____
	Pink _____	@\$24.00	_____

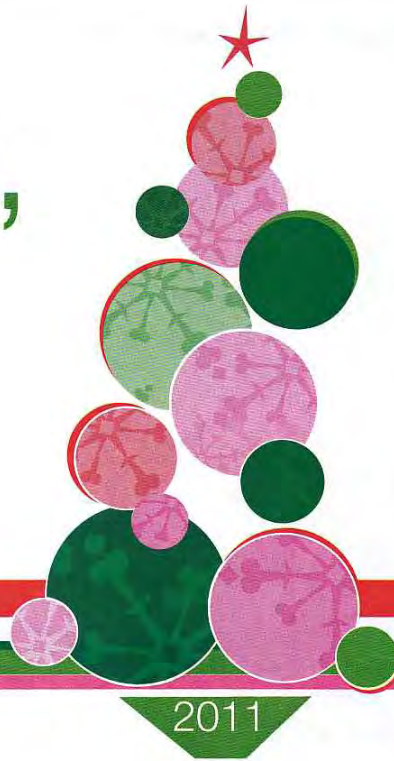
****New this year!** Purchase a poinsettia for a classroom! Your poinsettia will be delivered as a gift and **labeled from you!** First ordered, first served! If your chosen classroom is already taken, we will arrange to send your gift to brighten another classroom! We will let you know where your gift was placed! Please indicate below:

plant size _____ color _____ classroom teacher name _____ (_____ check here if no class is specified.)

save the date



mingle, jingle, shop!



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**5:00pm – 9:00pm: Holiday Boutique in the Parish Center
During the Holiday Stroll!**

We need a variety of help for Mingle, Jingle, Shop! – see below for where you might be able to get involved.

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

___ I would like to donate a prize for the raffle: _____

___ I can volunteer the day before the event to help decorate!

___ I have items that can be used for decoration (fake pre-lit trees, outdoor lights etc)!

___ I can volunteer the day of the event to help set up (3pm-5pm)!

___ I can volunteer the night of the event to work (5-6pm/6-7pm/7-8pm/8-9pm/clean-up)!

___ I can bake something for the Bake Sale (two dozen individually wrapped items)

___ I can donate food/beverage for Mingle, Jingle, Shop (wine, beer, food to have for our guests)

Please return this form to the School Office Attn: Holiday Boutique or via email to Lori Adlesick at ladlesick@gmail.com.

Contact Mary Margaret Collins at (708) 447-5524, Kelly Navarro at (708) 431-6079 or Lori Adlesick at (708) 447-4040 for more information.



join us for a

Christmas Party

to benefit

St. Mary School

Saturday, December 3, 2011 at 7:30p.m.

163 Addison Road, Riverside

\$30.00 per ticket

(120 tickets available for sale)

Please remit payment to:

St. Mary PIE

97 Herrick Road

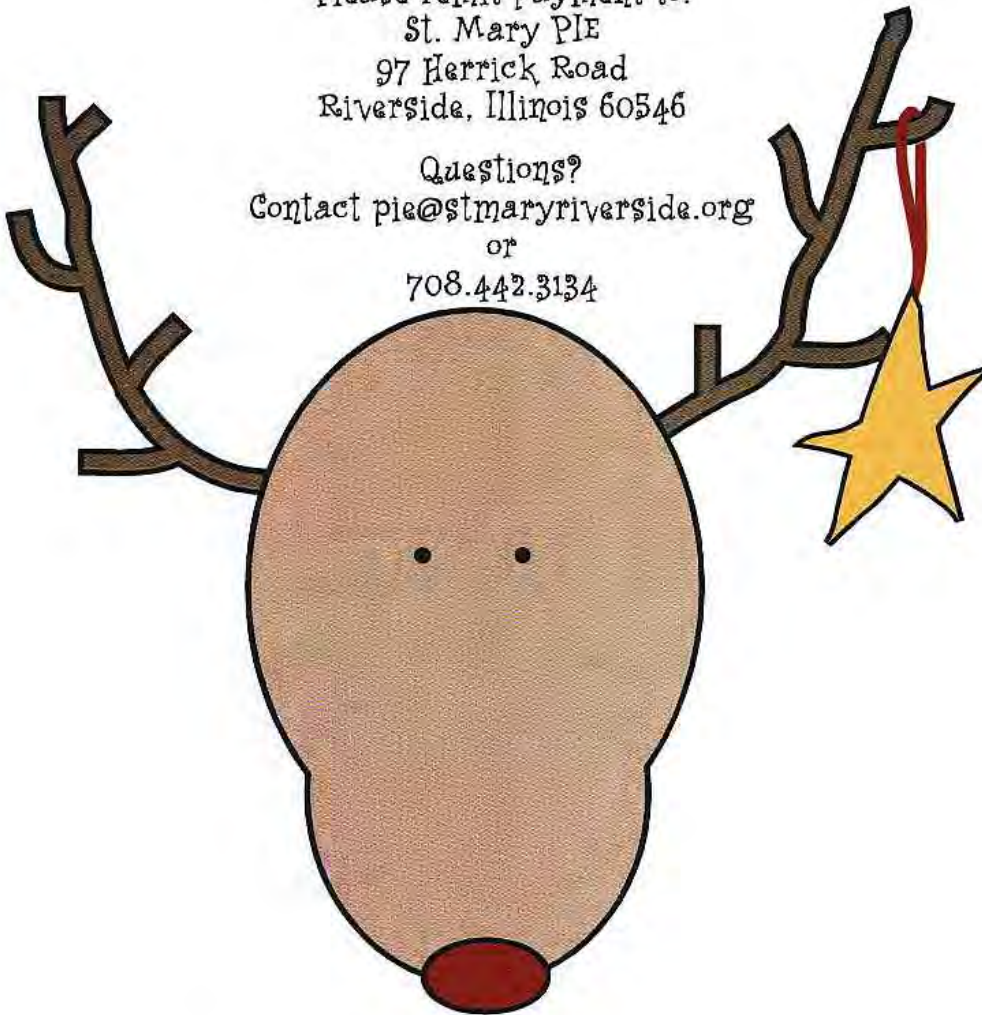
Riverside, Illinois 60546

Questions?

Contact pie@stmaryriverside.org

or

708.442.3134





Breakfast WITH Santa

DEC 10th, 2011
RIVERSIDE VILLAGE HALL

*Enjoy a festive morning with a light breakfast, crafts,
and a chance to sit down and visit with Santa.
(Includes one photo per child with Santa.)*

TWO SESSIONS: 8:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. or 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 A.M.
COST: \$5 per child (must be accompanied by an adult)

Purchase your ticket at www.riversidejuniors.org or by mailing in the attached registration form. Tickets purchased by mail must be received by Monday, December 5th. The RJWC reserves the right to limit the number of tickets available (Santa's time is limited!).

QUESTIONS? Contact breakfastwithsanta@riversidejuniors.org

This community event is for children under 12 years of age.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA (TICKET RESERVATION FORM)

Last Name: _____

Child's/Children's First Name: _____

Please choose one of the following sessions you would prefer to attend:

Session 1: 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Session 2: 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Ticket @ \$5 per child x _____ children = \$ _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

Riverside Junior Woman's Charity. Please do not send cash.

Mail completed ticket reservation form and payment to be received by Monday, December 5, 2011, to:
Riverside Junior Woman's Charity
27 Riverside Road, Riverside, IL 60546

