

ST. MARY CATHEDRAL SCHOOL NEWS

Educating Children to Become Saints and Scholars

The First Week of Advent

Monday, December 1st

- Monday Morning Assembly at 8:10 a.m. The 8th grade will lead the prayer.

Tuesday, December 2nd

- Mass at 8:00 a.m. with grades 6-8. The 8th grade has Mass parts.
- Little Flowers Meeting 3:15-4:45 p.m.

Wednesday, December 3rd

- Mass at 8:00 a.m. with all grades. The 3rd grade has Mass parts.

Thursday, December 4th

- Benediction/Adoration at 2:30 p.m. Please join us.
- Boys Basketball away game at 5:30 vs Trinity Lutheran

Friday, December 5th

- Mass at 8:00 a.m. - All School Mass - 7th grade has Mass parts.
- Pre-School, Pre-K, and Kindergarten Christmas program at 6:00 p.m.
- 1st-5th-grade Christmas program at 7:00 p.m.

SCHOOL NEWS

- The Christmas Party is on December 19th - All parents are invited to come! We need help with the following, starting at 7:30 that morning: setting up tables, chairs, and decorations, and making hot chocolate. We also need some help during the party - serving and refilling drinks, cleaning up, etc. Please reach out to Rebecca Peters if you can help! 573-579-7802.
- Our Lots-A-Cash winner for November is Erin Carlton. Nicholas Peters sold the ticket.
- The next drawing will be on December 15th.
- We are looking for someone to chair or cochair this year's playday! Please let us know if you are interested!
- Please see the attached flyer for all Christmas programs.
- Please see the attached flyer regarding our new archery program.
- Please see the attached letter regarding donations and volunteering for the dinner auction.
- The month-to-month calendar has been updated. Please use the following link to view it.
<https://bit.ly/3N8Kks5>
- You can view the 2025-2026 school calendar here: [2025-2026 School Calendar](#).

UPCOMING DATES

- 12/8 - Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary - No School - Holy Day of Obligation
- 12/9 - Picture retake and class picture day
- 12/10 - 2:00 Dismissal - Faculty Meeting
- 12/12 - Live Nativity - See Flyer
- 12/17 - Advanced Band Concert and Christmas Program (6th-8th @ 7:45)
- 12/19 - Christmas Party - 11:00 Dismissal
- 1/5 - Return to Class

MENU

Reminder: Breakfast is served in the cafeteria from 7:15 to 7:35 a.m. It is served with milk or juice.
Milk is served with lunch. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Breakfast	Pancakes or Cereal and Toast	Eggs and Sausage or Cereal and Toast	French Toast Sticks or Cereal and Toast	Sausage Biscuit or Cereal and Toast	Waffles with Whipped Cream and Chocolate Chips
Lunch	Toasted Ham and Cheese Sandwich, Sweet Potato Fries, and Fruit	Chicken Tacos, Corn, Sting Cheese, and Fruit	Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, and Fruit	Tomato Soup with Grilled Cheese, Caesar Salad, and Fruit	Macaroni and Cheese, Broccoli, Fruit, and Sugar Cookie
Entree Options (Instead of Main Dish)					

Breakfast = \$1.75 Lunch = \$3.00 Reduced Breakfast = 25¢ Reduced Lunch = 40¢

All-powerful God, increase our strength of will for doing good that Christ may find an eager welcome at his coming and call us to his side in the kingdom of heaven, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, forever and ever.

Amen.



Christmas Program Dates and Details

Pre-School, Pre-K, and Kindergarten - Friday, December 5th, 2025 - 6pm (20min)

"Christmas All Around"

Please plan to arrive at 5:45 pm. Kindergarten students should go to their classroom, Pre-School & PreK should go to the cafeteria.

Pre-School and Pre-K should just dress nicely in "Christmas" colors!
Kindergarten will be various "characters" for our story. Costumes will be provided.
They should wear something that the costume can be worn over.

1st thru 5th Grade - Friday, December 5th, 2025 - 7pm (30min)

"Uncertain Poor Shepherds"

Please plan to arrive at 6:45 pm. Students should gather in their classrooms.
Please do not come **too early!** We need to allow time for the little ones to clear the gym.

3rd Grade will be Angels. Please wear any color pants, an **ALL WHITE** shirt (oversized is nice - dad's white undershirt?), and we will provide a "halo" headband.

1st, 2nd, and most of 4th and 5th will be shepherds/bible people. Please wear dark-colored pants, preferably a long-sleeve shirt, and wrap a piece of material over the shoulder, tying it with a rope or belt (or a bathrobe), and add something (material or towel) to the head and tie it. You know the look!

6th thru 8th Grade - Wednesday, December 17th, 2025 - 7:45pm (70min)

Advanced Band & Program - "All About that Baby!"

Please plan to arrive by 7:30 pm. There will be plenty of seating!!!
Students who are "Chorus" members should wear nice pants and Christmas colored (reds and greens) tops. T-shirts are ok, but should not have "Santa" themes.
Characters will each arrange costumes with Mr Hindman.

Sign up your child at:
<https://forms.gle/EJDiV4mTvJ8ux9Fd8>

St. Mary

ARCHERY



2025-2026

Have you heard the buzz? St. Mary's will have an archery team this school year!



WHO

This will be open to all 5th-8th graders currently enrolled at St. Mary's. A Google form must be completed so we can get the registration process started. You can complete it at the link below:

<https://forms.gle/EJDiV4mTvJ8ux9Fd8>



WHAT

Basic archery skills and safety will be taught during practices. Archers will also have the opportunity to compete in tournaments in our area.



WHEN

Practice times are TBD at this point, but will not be a huge time commitment. We have several NASP certified volunteers who will be guiding the archers. Thank you to them!

The LORD is with you, you mighty warrior!

JUDGES 6:12



Volunteer Sign Up

Scan the QR code and select shift on SignUpGenius or return the form to the office. Thank you!

02/19/2026	Thursday 8:00am-12:00pm
Organize Donations (6)	
Name:	Email:
02/19/2026	Thursday 3:00pm-7:00pm
Organize Donations (6)	
Name:	Email:
02/20/2026	Friday 8:00am-4:00pm
Set Up & Decorate (40)	
Name:	Email:
02/21/2026	Saturday 3:45pm-6:00pm
Greeters (4)	
Name:	Email:
02/21/2026	Saturday 3:45
Registration / Check Out (6) <i>Data entry with Zach Deneke</i>	
Name:	Email:
02/21/2026 Saturday 4:00pm-6:00pm or 6:00pm-8:00pm or 8:00pm-10:00pm	
Raffle Sales (4 per shift) *Circle time choice* <i>Lead by April Morris</i>	
Name:	Email:
02/21/2026	Saturday 6:30pm
Live Auction Recorder (2)	
Name:	Email:
02/21/2026 Saturday 1st half or 2nd half	
Live Auction Spotters (3 per shift) *Circle time choice*	
Name:	Email:
02/21/2026	Saturday 8:00pm
Silent Auction Final Bid Helpers (6)	
Name:	Email:
02/22/2026	Sunday 9:30am-?
Clean Up (20 PLUS *All 5 th and 7 th grade families are required to help*)	
Name:	Email:

“Come On Down to the St. Mary’s Dinner Auction – Game Show Extravaganza”

February 21, 2026

We are asking each school family to donate the following:

- **\$25 per student (to purchase larger items for the auction)**
- **2 items donated per family (blue donation form included)**

You are welcome to team up with other families to donate larger items (BBQ grills, tickets, jewelry, etc)

There will be **class themes**, however, your donations do *NOT* have to be a specific theme, unless you choose to do so. Below we have listed the class themes and ideas to help!

- **Preschool & Pre-K:** Game Night (moves/tickets, popcorn, board games)
- **K & 1st:** Tailgating (coolers, drinks, snacks)
- **2nd & 3rd:** Grilling (meat, tools)
- **4th & 5th:** Kitchen (small appliances, baking items)
- **6th:** Outdoor Adventure (camping, yard games)
- **7th & 8th:** Sports & Gaming (equipment, tickets, sportswear, videogames)

PLEASE TURN IN DONATIONS ANYTIME BEFORE JANUARY 19

Ticket Sales

At this time, ticket sales are only available for school families. We will open to the parishioners and community members in January. Send form back to school or purchase through the Auctria QR code.

Raffle Sales

***Polaris Ranger 1000 with \$1,000 to Sappington Pro!** \$100 each- only selling 300. Purchase on Auctria!

Lotsa Cash Tickets—more available in the school office

Volunteer Form

Fill out and return form to school office or signup via QR code to signup genius. Great way to meet other families! All 5th and 7th grade families are required to help with clean up on Sunday.

?s: Erika Westrich (573) 837-7296 or Rebecca Peters (573) 579-7802



ST. MARY CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

Upcoming Christmas Events

The most blessed time of the year is right around the corner. In preparation for that, we are asking for a few donations for a couple of our upcoming events. You can drop off donations at the school office.

Parade of Lights

- String Christmas Lights - These will be used on our Charlie Brown themed float
- Light up necklaces/handheld lights for the kids to wear and hold on the float.
- Boxes of Hot Chocolate Packets - These will be our handouts for parade goers with a Christmas message promoting St. Mary School

****Donations are needed by November 26th**

Live Nativity

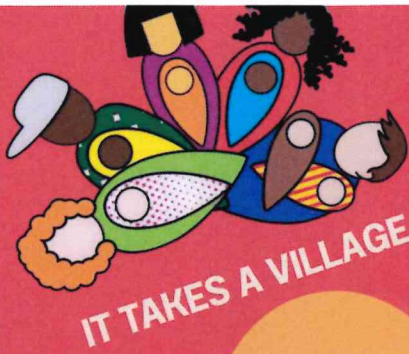
- Cookies! - We will have a Hot Cocoa Bar during the live nativity, and we will need some deliciously baked cookies to go with our drinks!

****Cookies can be dropped off December 12****

- If your student would like to participate in our Live Nativity, please sign them up at your earliest convenience. Contact Mrs. Lappe.

Please contact Cassidy Holman with any questions! 573-225-4856





Catholic Social Ministries
FOOD PANTRY
ST. MARY CATHEDRAL

**FEED YOUR
NEIGHBOR!**

JOIN US!
Nov. 3- Dec. 20

Drop off your donations at
the following businesses:

Alpha Chiropractic
1131 N Kingshighway St
Suite G, Cape Girardeau

Eden Health Spa & Salon
151 S Spanish St
Downtown Cape
Girardeau



highest needs: canned
vegetables, peanut butter, and
soup.

MONETARY DONATIONS CAN BE
MADE VIA VENMO, PAYPAL, OR

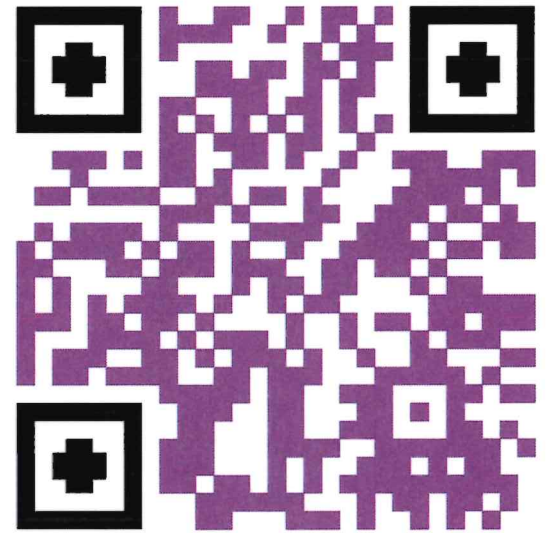




Little Flowers Girls' Club®

GROWING HOLIER, ONE VIRTUE AT A TIME

**1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month beginning
Tuesday, October 7
3:15 ~ 4:45pm
in the St. Mary cafeteria
For girls age 5 ~ 12**

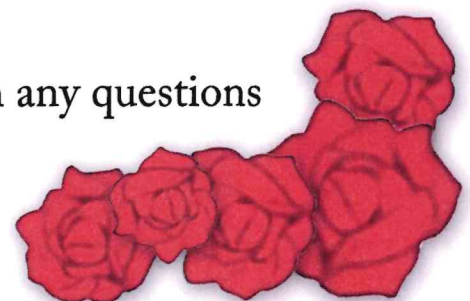


Based on the 1906 Catholic classic
“The Catholic Girls’ Guide” by Fr. F.X. Lasance,
and the spirituality of St. Thérèse, the Little
Flower of Liseux, this beautiful, authentically
Catholic program teaches virtues through
scripture, saints’ biographies, and the
Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Scan to sign up!

Generally like a scouting program, girls earn badges for the virtues they
have practiced, as well as life skills they have learned. But unlike most
scouting organizations, the girls earn their badges through a distinctly Catholic lens.

**Cost: \$20. Contact Elisabeth McDowell with any questions
at 573-450-1831.**





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Make check out to St. Mary Home and School
UTV Raffle.

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comments UTV raffle with your name and
phone number.

**DRAWING WILL BE HELD AT
ST. MARY DINNER AUCTION
02/21/2026**

DO NOT NEED TO BE PRESENT TO WIN

**ST. MARY HOME AND SCHOOL IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
SAPPINGTON PRO OUTDOOR**