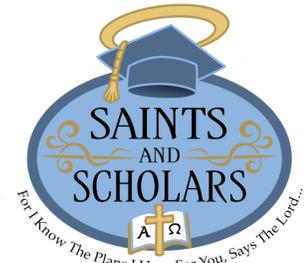


# St. Mary's Catholic School

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## OUR PRAYERS FOR SARAH P. AND FAMILY

We are deeply saddened to hear about the passing of Sarah's mom Rachel. Our prayers go out to all the family for comfort and strength in this tragic time.



## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK STARTS SUNDAY

CSW kicks off with Sunday Mass at 10:00 A.M. and continues with fun and formation all week long! Check out the flyer with themes and activities. Also, if you haven't already, please make plans to attend the **opening Mass and sign up your student to participate as soon as possible**. The Mass is the source and summit of our life and school. Let's start the week off with praise and thanksgiving to God for all of His incredible blessings!

Sunday	Jan 25	Opening Mass @ 10 A.M.
Monday	Jan 26	Celebrating our Community
Tuesday	Jan 27	Celebrating our Students
Wednesday	Jan 28	Celebrating our Nation
Thursday	Jan 29	Celebrating Vocations
Friday	Jan 30	Celebrating our Teachers

## SAINT OF THE WEEK



### Meet St. Agnes of Rome

- My Feast Day: January 21
- I am the patron saint young girls, chastity, and assault victims.
- I was from a wealthy Roman family in the 4th century.
- I was sought by many to wed, but I refused to marry for love of Jesus.
- It was illegal to be a Christian where I lived, so I was tried for my faith and consecration to Jesus when I was 12 years old.
- My captors tried to persuade me to renounce Jesus and threatened my life and purity, but God miraculously preserved my purity by blinding the evil men.
- I was martyred for my steadfast faith in 304.
- The lamb in my picture represents my purity.
- Traditions: On my feast day, two lambs are blessed at the Church of St. Agnes in Rome. These lambs' wool is woven into pallia, ceremonial stoles symbolizing the authority and pastoral mission of archbishops. The pallia are placed on the main altar of St. Peter's Basilica on the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul and later bestowed upon the archbishops by the pope.

## **KC'S AND PTO FRIDAY DINNERS START THIS FRIDAY, JANUARY 23rd**

### **\*WORKERS ARE STILL NEED FOR THIS FRIDAY\***

The KC's is hosting Friday dinners for the next several weeks that continue through Lent as Fish Fry's. The KC's is partnering with SMS and our PTO to help host these meals. Our school receives a portion of the proceeds for most weeks, but this Friday the proceeds will go to Sarah P.'s education fund. Please do your best to support these opportunities for food and fellowship.

## **CONFIRMATION DATE: APRIL 16th**

We have recently been informed of the Confirmation date for our participating 7th and 8th grade students. The Sacrament of Confirmation is scheduled for the evening of Thursday, April 16th and will be with our partner parish, St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Prairie du Rocher. More details will be coming soon!

## **GALA DINNER AUCTION**

\*Tickets for the dinner are on sale now. Contact Paula Platt at 615-5545.

\*If you have have sold your two packets of tickets and are able to sell more, please contact the office. Thanks!

\*Volunteers are needed for food prep the week before the Gala and also volunteers for kitchen help on Gala night. If you can help, contact Jenny S. @ 615-1452.

## **FRIDAY, JANUARY 23rd - 2:50 P. M. DISMISSAL - BUS IS NOT AVAILABLE**

## **PTO PULLED PORK FUNDRAISER**

Check out the flyer for info on your opportunity to order delicious pulled pork just in time for the Super Bowl!

## **STONIE'S SNACK STICKS**

Ms. Ingram's 7-8 grade classes are hosting a fundraiser with Stonie's Sausage Shop selling Quick Stick Snack Sticks. The proceeds will go toward this year's 8th grade class trip and it also gives a head start for the 7th grade's trip for the next school year. Please see the information in the folder to take advantage of all the tasty options. Orders need to be in by next Friday, January 30th.

## **FIRST RECONCILIATION - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8th**

Our students who are preparing for 1st Communion this year will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation (also known as Confession or Penance) for the first time after the 10:00 A.M. Mass.

## **MONTHLY QUILT RAFFLE - \$20**

The St. Mary's CCW is selling raffle tickets for a quilt drawing/or \$100 that benefits SMS. Please contact the school office to get your tickets!21