

# St. Mary's Catholic School

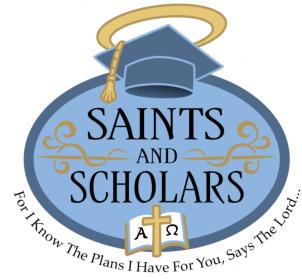
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## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK REBOOT!

Wednesday	Feb 4	Celebrating our Nation
Thursday	Feb 5	Celebrating Vocations
Friday	Feb 6	Celebrating our Teachers

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL . . .

Our Catholic' Schools Week reboot is going well so far after our snow delay! Our theme is **Saints and Service**. Each class (K-8) has been studying a Saint and the country they called home. In addition to the life of their Saint, their investigation includes food, culture, games, and other fun facts from their country- and later in the week, students will present these discoveries to their classmates. During Catholic Schools Week, we especially celebrate the Catholic Faith and its fruits through time and in every land- witnessed by the heroic lives of the Saints who shared the love of God with their neighbors. We are also called to do the same as we celebrate the gift of grace in Jesus Christ that we encounter in our local parish and school!



## SAINT OF THE WEEK



### Meet St. Bridget of Kildare

- My Feast Day: February 1
- I am the patron saint of Ireland, dairy workers, poets, healers, midwives, newborns, and scholars.
- I was born to an Irish chieftain and a slave in 453. My mother was baptized by St. Patrick.
- From a young age, I gave away our food and belongings to the poor, which angered my father.
- My father tried to sell me as a slave to a Christian king, who saw my piety, and I was set free to manage a dairy.
- I refused an arranged marriage and went to the bishop (St. Patrick) to promise my life to God.
- I was friends with St. Patrick and founded many convents across Ireland, the most famous being the Church of the Oak in Kildare.

**KC'S AND PTO DINNER THIS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6th**  
**\*WORKERS ARE STILL NEED FOR THIS FRIDAY\***

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6th - 1:30 P. M. DISMISSAL - BUS IS AVAILABLE**

**VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT HELPERS NEEDED FOR SATURDAY- SEE THE FLYER!**

**GALA DINNER AUCTION**

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

\*If you 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.

**PTO PULLED PORK FUNDRAISER - ORDERS DUE TOMORROW - PICKUP SATURDAY**

Check out the flyer for info on your opportunity to order delicious pulled pork just in time for the Super Bowl! Orders are due tomorrow and pickup will be Saturday, February 7th from 10 to 12.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION - THIS 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.

**KC'S FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP NOW ON FEBRUARY 15th - SEE THE FLYER!**

**CONFIRMATION DATE: APRIL 16th**

**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 ticket