



St. Mary's Bell

Mission Statement: St. Mary's Catholic School is a parish ministry that actively assists families by fostering community while providing Catholic formation within a strong academic program.

Nov. 12, 2009

Prayer of the Week:

"I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with all my heart; I will declare all your wondrous deeds."
Psalm 9:2

"Week at a Peek"
11/15/09

Mon 11/16
4th Gr Field
Trip to WV Outdoor Lrng Ctr 8:20 - 11:30



Auditions for MCT
"Robinson Crusoe"
3:00 pm gym (K-8)

Wed 11/18
8th gr visits to Gonzaga Prep
Early Dismissal 11:00 am
Parent Teacher Conf.

Thu 11/19
Mass @ 8:15am
Early Dismissal 11:00 am
Parent Teacher Conf.

MCT Rehearsal moves to Adams Elementary pm

Fri, 11/20
Early Dismissal 11:00 am
Parent Teacher Conf.

MCT Performance at Adams Elementary
7:00 pm

Sat 11/21
MCT Performance at Adams Elementary
6:00 pm
Cast Party @ Adult Ed Center after performance

Attachments to this Bulletin are:

- Sally Foster Fundraiser for 8th Gr OPI

NAUDITT'S NOTES:

Dear Parents,

This has seemed like a choppy week with the Veteran's Day holiday celebrated on Wednesday this year. We had a wonderful assembly honoring Veterans on Tuesday. Each class did something special from sharing facts about Veterans and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier to sharing poems and songs. Honoring those who have served our country is very important.

This year's McTeacher Night was a great success. We qualified for a bonus from the regional office for schools who exceed \$500 in proceeds bringing our total to \$707. We also sold a ton of gift certificates. We get a 50 cent return to the school from every \$5 booklet of gift certificates sold, and I know we sold 150 booklets at McDonald's on McTeacher night, so that alone adds another \$75 in profits to the school! We will utilize the profits from McTeacher night to pay for expenses associated with the Christmas program (like lighting and costumes).

You may not know that the school and parish asked to have a financial review. Deacon Mike Miller (who is the Secretary for Business Affairs for the diocese) and Merrill Fulton who has worked in the Fiscal Office of the Diocese for many years led this review along with one of our parishioners, who is a former auditor, Pansy Marrow. We didn't think that there was any wrongdoing or mismanagement of funds in the school or parish, but we were hoping to get some insights into ways that we could be even better stewards of the assets in our care. It is our feeling that the review went very well, and we will be receiving a report in several weeks. I will summarize the results for you when they become available.

Students in grades K-8 will be participating in a Smart (St. Mary's Art program) lesson on Friday. They will be working on a project in the style of African art. This is a wonderful program that is completely parent led. I am very grateful for these dedicated volunteers for providing this fine art experience for our students!

Peace,
Lauri Nauditt

"We are Called..."

Lookout Pass Corporate Tickets are back! Details page 4.



Basketball Coaches meeting
6:30 pm
Monday, November 23,
Teachers Lounge, St. Mary's



Gift Card Corner

Check out the **Gift Card Corner** each month to see what Gift Card we are featuring. Guaranteed to be in stock!

November Gift Cards:
Safeway, Rosauers, Albertson and Fred Meyer

Congratulations Debbie Parelius!
You won the Fall Gift Basket for placing a \$100 Gift Order during the month of October. Thank you for supporting the Gift Card Program!

The Development Office is looking for a volunteer to pick up Auction donations at local businesses. Time spent helping will count towards your 20 hour volunteer commitment. Let Peggy or Terri know if you can help!

The **3rd Annual Holiday Raffle** will be held on Grandparents/Special Persons Day (Nov. 25th) and the weekend of Nov. 28 & 29th. If you have any holiday decorations/items that could be used in a basket, please drop them off in the Development Office.

Volunteer Opportunities

MCT: 2 practice chaperones each day 11/16—11/20.

MCT: 6 chaperones needed to help with various duties during both performances.

MCT: 2 volunteers to organize the cast party.

If you can help with any of these opportunities, please contact Terri in the Development Office at 924-4300 ext. 206.

Time spent helping with any of these opportunities counts towards your 20 hour volunteer commitment.

Important Dates to Remember

Nov. 2nd—Dec. 18th Gift Card Blitz

Nov. 16th MCT auditions for Robinson Crusoe @ 3:00 in the gym. Performances Nov. 20th and 21st at Adams.

Nov. 18th Procurement Meeting Teachers Lounge @ 6:30.

Nov. 25th Grandparent/Special Persons Day Celebration Mass 8:45.

The Basket Committee needs **BIG** baskets to fill for the auction. Drop them off in the Development Office.



RECYCLE: Recycle your ink cartridges, toner cartridges and cell phones through St. Mary's. The school earns money on each cartridge & cell phone!

VOLUNTEER CORNER

GRANDPARENT'S/SPECIAL PERSON'S DAY is November 25th.

We could use a few volunteers for set up after school on the 24th and for take down after the festivities on the 25th. Please consider doing this. Everyone is in a hurry to start their turkey holiday, even our faculty and staff and with a little help with take down, everyone can get going!

COOKIES! Yes, again we could use all you bakers to make a dozen or so cookies that will be distributed to the individual classrooms for the special people and kids to enjoy. Please deliver your goodies on the 24th. There is a sign up sheet on the office door, or you can email me!

FAMILY FUN NIGHT/SILENT AUCTION CHAIR- please consider this. This has been a long running event for our school and the details of "HOW TO BE A FAMILY FUN NIGHT CHAIR" are available to anyone interested. In other words, if you aren't sure what it all entails and if it is something you aren't too sure about, please don't hesitate to speak with Peggy or Terri in the Development Office. The chairs before you have put in the steps and organization to make it go smoothly for the next person.

Thanks!

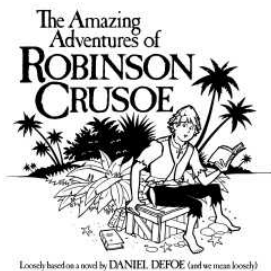
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MCT auditions will be held after school in the gym on Monday, Nov. 16th for this years production "Robinson Crusoe".



GIFT CARD BLITZ

From **November 2 thru December 18**, we will have a **Gift Card Blitz** to increase the awareness and use of Gift Cards! The class with Gift Card orders totaling the most dollars during the Blitz will receive a **Snack Party**. If we reach \$1000 in profit, the whole school will have **FREE DRESS!** So, before you go shopping, stop in the office and buy **GIFT CARDS!**

- Donate Gift Cards to the Auction Basket Committee.
- Buy all the makings for Thanksgiving & Christmas dinner.
- Christmas is coming...not only do **Gift Cards** make great gifts, you can use them to purchase gifts for those on your list!

Start a standing order—it will count towards the "Blitz" total!

St. Mary's Catholic School

Live, Learn & GROW

38th Annual Auction

March 20, 2010

We are looking for a one of St. Mary's finest volunteers to help with the following committee:

Family Fun Night Silent Chair

(Set up Family Fun Night Silent Auction. Work with volunteers to close tables at Family Fun Night)

The Procurement Committee is always looking for new donations and Live Auction ideas. If you have an idea, know someone who has tickets to a sporting event, has a vacation home or timeshare that they might be willing to donate, please let us know by contacting Peggy in the Development Office.

"Live, Learn & Grow"

Auction Free Dress Days

Turn in 5 Auction Donation slips by December 4th and your kids get **FREE DRESS** on Friday, December 11th.

Turn in 7 Auction Donation slips by January 22nd and your kids get **FREE DRESS** on Friday, January 29th.

"Live, Learn & Grow"

Look at what we have received so far:

- Spiny Ray Fishing Trip
- Palouse Ridge Golf Overnight Package
- Day at Coeur d'Alene Lake Party
- Week in sunny Puerto Vallarta
- Autographed GU Basketball

Holiday Raffle Items Needed

The Auction Basket Committee is in need of the following items to complete several baskets for the Holiday Raffle.

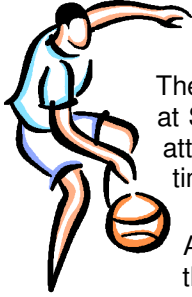
- Hot Cocoa Packets
- Kids Christmas Books & Videos
- **Gift Cards are always a great auction donation! Shop for American Express, Michaels, Shopko, Pier 1, Visa Rewards Gift Cards in the office.**

Please drop your donations & completed donation slip off in the Development Office.



Discount tickets for Lookout Pass are available through the school office. The price is \$21.20 (including tax) when you pay cash or \$22 when you use your credit card (MasterCard & Visa only). This is a \$10 savings on an adult ticket! Please order by December 10th so that we can have your tickets before the Christmas break.

Turn in last year's unused tickets and pay only the difference, \$1.00 per ticket.



HUSKIES SPORTS RAP:

There will be a coaches meeting for anyone who is coaching a school basketball team in grades 5 to 8 at St. Mary's Faculty Room (west side of gym) at 6:00 PM on Monday the 23rd of Nov, if they cannot attend they must send a representative for the team to pick up their roster AND choose their practice times !

Also - just a reminder. Registration forms for 5-8 grade basketball need to be turned in no later than this Friday, November 13. The form was sent home with students, is available in the school office and [on the website](#).

Hot Lunch Happenings!

What are you hungry for? Look for the hot lunch suggestion jar in the kitchen. You can submit your suggestions for snacks and lunches!.

THANK YOU

to everyone who came to McTeacher Night! A great time was had by all. We made a record \$707.00!!!

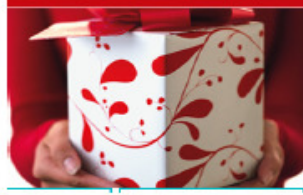
VOLUNTEER HOURS RECORDING SHEET:

The school is keeping track of the 20 required Volunteer Hours per family, per school year. Please fill out this form, sign and date it, have the event coordinator/teacher sign for the hours provided, and turn it into the Office. Thank you!

Volunteer Name:

Date of Event	Hours/Times	Event /Activity	Contact

Our Sally Foster® Fundraiser is Here!



Dear St. Mary's Parents,

Please help support our 8th Grade "OPI" trip with our annual Sally Foster® fundraiser! You can browse through the catalog in the office featuring fundraising's best quality gift wrap, unique gift items, gourmet chocolates and edibles, and much more. And, everything is value-priced at \$20 or less! **The 8th Grade will earn up to 50% on every item sold towards their "OPI" trip.**

Our Sally Foster fundraiser sale dates are: **Nov. 4th – Nov. 18th.**

**Money & packets are DUE ON: Nov. 18th. Please tally your order form and double check to make sure the money submitted equals the total amount paid in the bottom right hand corner of the order form. **

Make checks payable to: **St. Mary's.**

Orders will be delivered a few weeks after the sale ends. We will notify you of the exact date.

**** Out-of-Town family and friends can support our school by visiting: www.SallyFoster.com Here's how with our Fast & Easy Email Program****

1. Go to: www.SallyFoster.com (You'll earn 50% for online sales too!)
2. Click on the Seller's Section to sign up for the fast and easy email program.
3. You'll need the school account #: **950379** and you're on your way.



You can view a summary of your orders by signing into the Seller's Section at any time. Send 5 emails for a national chance to **WIN A \$150 FAMILY FUN NIGHT OR \$10 STARBUCKS® GIFT CARD!**

Your student will receive prize credit for those Internet orders too. On-line orders are subject to sales tax.

Thank You for your support!

Carol Hemphill 926-5114

Students: Please, only sell to people you, your parents or guardians know. NEVER approach strangers.