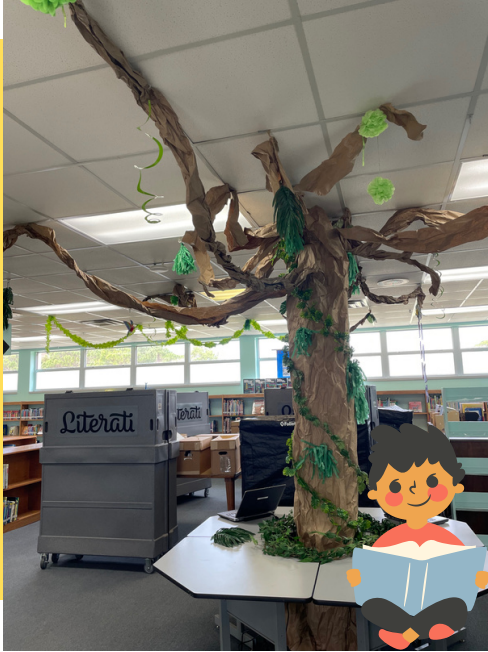




SMCS NEWS



Getting ready for our Literati
Book Fair next week!



A great morning for Math and
Mother Mary!

Saturday, March 9: Brite Stars at 7 PM hosted by Emerald Coast Harley Davidson

Monday, March 11 - Friday, March 15: Literati Book Fair/Student Council Lucky Grams for Sale

Wednesday, March 13: Stations of the Cross at 2 PM

Thursday, March 14; All-School Mass with Awards at 8:15 AM

Friday, March 15: Field Day/Early Dismissal/Last Day of 3rd Quarter

Monday, March 18 - Friday, March 22: Spring Break

Monday - March 25 - Friday, March 29: Holy Week

Virtue of the Month for March

~MERCY~

Caring for those who suffer

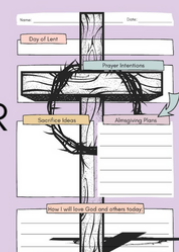


Keep saving your change for our classroom Rice Bowls. Every penny helps care for the poor and vulnerable around the world.

Rice Bowls will be collected during Holy Week.

For more information, please visit:
www.crsricebowl.org

40 Day PLANNER
Truth and Light



God calls us to share in His divine life and to dwell in His light. God gave us His Son so that we might be saved. We are called to leave the darkness of sin and be renewed in the light of Christ.

Evil is real. Satan is real. And they want to destroy and lead us astray. Initially, evil most often does not appear as bad or ugly. In the renewal of Baptismal vows, we were once asked if we “reject the glamour of evil.” The Church, in her wisdom, understands the attraction evil holds in our lives, much like not being able to avert our eyes from an accident scene. To truly reject evil, we must turn from those things that tempt us and, instead, clothe ourselves in Christ.

We must rely on the truth of Jesus’ teachings and the 10 Commandments to help us identify and avoid being mastered by sin. This is how we come to live in true freedom and peace.

“And the light shines in the darkness and the darkness could not overcome the light.” John 1:5.

Thoughts for Reflection

- Do I compromise with my Catholic Faith by allowing myself to be influenced by the world?
- Do I reflect on God’s Word and the Teachings of the Church in order to recognize the evils of the world?
- Do I reject the glamour of evil so as to walk in the truth and light of Christ?

Laetare Sunday



The Fourth Sunday of Lent is called **Laetare Sunday**, from the first words of the Introit at Mass, “Laetare Jerusalem” (“Rejoice, O Jerusalem”).

Like Gaudete Sunday midway through Advent, Laetare reminds us of the event we look forward to at the end of the penitential season and the joy in anticipation of the Resurrection. The vestments for this day will be rose, as they are on Gaudete Sunday in Advent.

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Middle School Retreat

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Here I am Lord, Send Me!



We are all called by God for a special purpose and sent into the world to share Jesus with those we meet. Meet new friends, hear talks by the high school Youth Council, celebrate mass together, and spend time with Jesus!

APRIL 6

ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

\$30 includes dinner, tshirt, retreat

Contact your youth minister for more info!

FROM THE OFFICE

FLOCKNOTE

Are you receiving our text messages? We highly recommended signing up for our Flocknote for important information. <http://www.saintmaryschool.net/>

Tuition/Facts questions? Contact Kristin White,
850-243-8913. kristin.white@saintmaryschool.net



A Prayer for Families

Grant us, O Lord Jesus,
The strength to imitate faithfully the
example of your Holy Family
And to make our home another Nazareth.
May peace, love, and happiness prevail in all
things and all games.

Grant us the grace to be the parents
We should be for our children
Grant that our child may find solid support
For their human dignity
And for their growth in truth and love
Within the embrace of their team.
May Saint Sebastian watch and guide them in
their efforts today,
As he guides us in support of our children.
Amen.



Archangel Sports

Track and Field

Grades 3-8

Please use the form on page 7 to register for the Track Team. Return form to the office.

The QR code on the form is to sign up for the Remind group. Please sign up!

Practice: M & W 3:00-4:00 at SMCS

Track Meet at FWBHS May 4th.

Tennis

REMIND LINK:

[https://www.remind.com/join/smcstenn?
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Golf

REMIND LINK:

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Swim

REMIND LINK:

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Lacrosse

REMIND LINK:

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SAINT MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

dinner

and

diamonds

24TH ANNUAL BRITE STARS

March 9, 2024 | 7PM

HOSTED BY:

*The Emerald Coast Harley-
Davidson*

788 BEAL PKWY NW
FORT WALTON BEACH
RSVP SMCS AT 850-243-8913

\$100.00 PER PERSON
ALL INCLUSIVE (HEAVY HORS D'OEUVRES,
MUSIC, DRINKS)



PTO Corner

Upcoming Events



3/12 PTO Meeting
3/15 Field Day
4/17 Spirit Night @
Pepper's Shalimar
4/19 Panda Express
Fundraiser



Save the Date!



Order from Panda Express online anytime **Friday, April 19** to support Saint Mary School. This fundraiser is available **NATIONWIDE!**

Connect with PTO

Join Our Facebook Group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/saintmarypto/>

Saint Mary Catholic School
Track Team



Name_____grade_____

Parent/guardian _____

Phone_____ email _____

Emergency contact info:_____

Allergy/medical conditions_____

Fee: \$50.00 per athlete, payable by check, cash, or FACTS.

Please scan this code to join the Track Team Remind group
so you can receive up to date information about practices and
the meet.





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JUNE 3-7, 2024

WWW.SAINTMARY.LIFE/VBS

Join us for an under-the-sea
summer! Entering K-5th graders
welcome June 3rd-7th
9am-12pm in the Parish Life Center
Cost includes all supplies.
Snack provided daily.

**Teens and adult
volunteers needed!**



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