

## #2 SUMMER NEWSLETTER for St. Mary's Parish School

Week of June 21, 2021



TEACHERS  
encourage,  
minds to Think  
hands to Create  
& Hearts  
to love

As mentioned last week, we are in the process of accepting applications for teachers (Grade 5 and departmental work in grades 6-8).

***We have some good news to share this week with you regarding where we are in our process for teachers.***

We have several in the process of applying for Grade 5---all are very good!

For the upper grades this past year, we had Mrs. Ashleigh Bright teach part-time a few classes in math and science. She did a great job. I met with her this past week and she has agreed to continue working in the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades teaching more classes. She is very excited about doing this and feels very called to do this at St. Mary's with the students. (See her note below.)

ALSO: we will have two student teachers in the fall: one will be with Mrs. Izzo and the other student teachers will be doing work in literacy/language arts in Grades 2-8 as needed.



**From Ashleigh Bright to all the parents/students in Grades 7/8:** *"I am so thankful for the opportunity to teach next year at St. Mary's. My own two children have thrived in the culture of Christ-centered radical generosity at St. Mary's. They come out of school happy every day because they are loved and appreciated. Since they are happy, their curiosity and love of learning is unbridled. I hope to bless the students I teach in the same way my children have been blessed by Erin Fitt, Peggy Quesnell and Sandy Izzo.*

*Also, of all the age groups I have worked with: from the youngest through college level, I have to say middle schoolers are my favorite. As Aristotle said in his essay on youth, "They are fond of fun and therefore witty." I enjoy their curiosity, their eagerness to question and find counter examples, and their growing skills at expressing themselves. I'm looking forward to a very fun school year with the St. Mary's middle grades. This is a gift for me!"*



### Summer Program for its third week: (June 21-25)

**THEME:** NASA & Space.....sun catchers..... parachute fun.....NASA activity....games and so much more...For more information call and talk to Lori Johnson, Director: 208-669-1119



**Brad Herrenbruck**, our PE teacher in all grades and Religion teacher in the upper grades. His birthday is Tuesday, June 22.

**Father Joe McDonald**---our pastor. His birthday is Friday, June 25 and his anniversary of being a priest is Saturday, June 26.

Special blessings on both of you!

Remember to share your favorite dessert recipes with us. The Catholic Women's League is collecting "*Dessert Recipes*" for a dessert cookbook. Please bring your recipe to the church office.

This past week at Mass on Sunday the following was the Gospel reading:

**Key Passage:** Jesus said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" (Mark 4:39-40)

#### Questions for reflection/discussion

- **Adult Question:** When has the Lord calmed the stormy seas of your life?
- **Child Question:** What fear would you like the Lord to help you overcome?



- A. Sister Margaret has a large, heavy duty stand that needs to be taken to Goodwill---would take two persons to move it and a truck is needed to move it from her house.
- B. School lawn needs mowing.

And please continue inviting your neighbors and friends to consider St. Mary's School for their children....you are doing a great job spreading the Good News!!!

If there are items you'd like to see or know more about, please send your suggestions to:  
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Blessings on your family during this summer break,

*Sister Margaret Johnson, osu*  
 Interim Principal