



# Principal's Notes



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## Calendar of Events

No school—Diocesan Teacher Institute	3-5
Band Solo Fest	3-6
Knights Free Throw Contest	3-6
Scholastic Book Fair	3-7
Junior High Swing Choir	3-8
Student Council	3-8
Kindergarten Trip to Rialto Theater "Max & Ruby"	3-9
First Communion Parent Meeting 1:00 or 7:00p.m.	3-9
9:00 Mass 5G	3-10
2nd Trimester Honors Assembly 1:15	3-11
Chess Club	3-11
Yearbook Club	3-11
Spring Pictures	3-12
Stations of the Cross 1:30	3-12

## Talent Show Stars



Thank you to all 196 students (and 25 faculty and staff!) who participated in our annual Talent Show on Tuesday, March 2. Acts included singing, dancing, playing musical instruments, and martial arts. We are truly blessed to have so many students share their God given talents! We had many very impressive acts!

## Pastor's Message

The family that prays together, stays together. This old saying is a time-honored nugget of great wisdom. Speaking of togetherness in prayer, I have noticed that some of our school parents are not members of the Catholic Church. If you do not have a church of your own, please consider joining the Catholic Church so that you can pray together with your family in a more complete way. Our parish RCIA program prepares adults for membership in the Catholic Church. The program begins in September, and leads up to the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday evening. Please consider this invitation, and obtain more information now, either through me or through Sr. Dolores.

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 ★ **Parent Meeting** ★  
 ★ **Internet Safety** ★  
 ★ **Tuesday, March 16** ★  
 ★ **7:00 p.m.** ★  
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## Basketball Champs

The eighth grade boys basketball team took first place in the St. Joseph Lockport Tournament! Congratulations to the boys on all their hard work. What a great way to finish their final season!

## Tuition Raffle

**FREE TUITION!?** Look in this packet and you will see a great opportunity! P.T.C. is selling raffle tickets for free tuition for school next year! Yes, that's right! For \$50, you may purchase a raffle ticket which puts you into a drawing for one child's tuition free for the 2010-2011 school year. So get your raffle ticket now! Only 250 tickets will be sold! The winner will be picked at our P.T.C. meeting on Wednesday, March 17, at 7:00p.m.

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## Morning Star Missions

Thank you to our 7th grade students for serving at Morning Star Missions this morning! They helped stuff envelopes for their mailing. St. Mary students continue to reach out and help others!

## Book Fair

Our Spring Scholastic Book Fair is this weekend! Come downstairs after all the Masses to peruse many great books. All proceeds go toward our own school library!

## Feed My Starving Children

Thank you to our 5th grade students who packaged over 17,000 meals at Feed My Starving Children last week. These meals will feed 46 children in Haiti for a full year!

## Basketball Uniforms

Please return all girls and boys washed basketball uniforms on Thursday, March 11, between 6:30 and 8:00 p.m. near the trophy case in the hallway near the gym. Your uniform deposit checks will then be returned to you. Boys volleyball uniforms may be picked up at this time also.

## Kindergarten Visitor

Thank you to Dr. Steve who came to school to talk to all our kindergarteners about healthy teeth! They were all smiles!



## School Board Discernment

Have you ever considered serving on the St. Mary School Board? Following my Notes is more information regarding our School Board. We will have two positions open. If you have any questions, please feel free to call any Board member or me.

## Stations of the Cross

Each Friday during Lent our entire school body gathers in our church to pray the Stations of the Cross. Join us next Friday, March 12, when Mrs. Tylin's 4th grade class joins Miss Nugent's 3rd grade class presenting the Stations for us at 1:30. All are welcome!

## Save the Dates

Internet Safety Parent Speaker—March 16, Special Interest Fair—April 1, May Crowning—May 5, Spring Musical "Bye Bye Birdie" - May 7, Graduation—May 28, School Picnic—June 3, Joliet JackHammers Game—June 3, Last Day of school—June 4

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