



ST. MARGARET MARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

*The Mission of St. Margaret Mary School is to nurture a
Christ – centered Community of Life-long Learners.*

Mission

TCCES Mission Statement

Twin City Catholic Educational System (TCCES), in partnership with family church, and community, provides a quality Catholic education that is focused on faith, academics, service, and personal development from preschool through high school to influence a rapidly changing world.

As was stated in last week's discussion of mission, TCCES facilitates the process of bringing its members to Christ, and Christ to its members.

Ascension

Tomorrow is the traditional celebration of Ascension Thursday, forty days after Easter. In our church calendar, we will celebrate this feast on Sunday. As Jesus returned to his Father in Heaven, he promised He would be with us always. We feel his strong, living presence in our lives today.

May

Although it may be hard to believe with the weather during the past week, spring has returned with all her gifts---seeds, blossoms, songbirds, and raindrops. As spring appears, we find ourselves filled with gratitude for the wonders and mysteries of life. We remember and celebrate many things during this month. One is the gift of our mothers. We express gratitude in appreciation for their gifts of nurturing, compassion, listening, giving, supporting, and loving us. May God generously bless all mothers during this special month.

May is also dedicated to Mary, mother of Jesus. Our prayer service and May Crowning last Friday honored Mary. Our second graders led the ceremony and we celebrated with



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Educational System

REMINDERS

May

- 12.....Kindergarten Field Trip to Mulberry Lane Farm
- 13.....Lasagna Dinner and Talent Show----5:30 p.m.
- 14.....Liturgy 8:15 a.m. Gr. 1 Thanksgiving for Volunteers
- 14.....K to Sterling House
- 14.....Gr. 1 to St. Joseph's Food Pantry
- 18.....Grade 4 to Madison to see the Capital
- 20.....Final Seton Buddy Visit
- 21.....Anointing Mass – Gr. 4
- 21.....Gr. 5 to Manitowoc ----- Civil War Reenactment
- 21.....PK to play "Stone Soup"
- 26.....Gr. 3 to Neenah City Hall
- 26.....Preschool Program 6 p.m.
- 27.....Preschool Program 10am.
- 28-----PK Field Day for PK

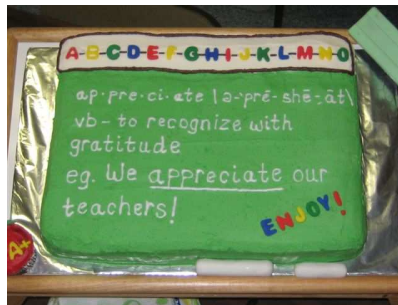
our First Communicants with a small reception in the Gathering Space after the Mass.



May also honors St. Joseph, the foster father of Jesus. Joseph was from the house of David, from which the Messiah was to come. He is the patron saint of fathers, carpenters, and also of the Universal Church.

Teacher Appreciation

Thank you for all the remembrances for our teachers and staff members last week. The cards, flowers, baked goods, coffees, notes, etc. were gratefully appreciated. Working with your children is a gift. Thank you for allowing us to share in their lives.



Jennifer Molchany, chair of the Hospitality Committee, baked and decorated a cake as a note of appreciation from our families.

Talent Show Reminder

Tomorrow, Thursday, May 13th is the Talent Show and Lasagna Dinner. Please make sure that you have your reservation by signing up in the office. Our students have been working hard at their presentations. Come and enjoy a fun evening.

Kohl's Department Store will have five employees coming to help out at the dinner and talent show. The five employees will put in three volunteer hours each, and we will be given a \$500 donation that will go to the Luke Peters Benefit. We are grateful to Kohl's for providing this community service.

Band Concert

Our Elementary Band, under the direction of Mr. Larry Orth, performed last evening at St. Mary Elementary School. They sounded wonderful! Practice and hard work pays off. The fifth graders received their medals for performance at the Solo and Ensemble competition. All of our fifth graders

were awarded a first place medal. In group performance at Fox Valley Lutheran High School last Saturday, the band was also awarded a first place trophy. Congratulations to all of our band members.

Third grade students had a special performance by the band this week. The band students demonstrated the individual instruments and how they are played. Third graders received a letter about band and their level of interest in joining. We ask all parents to return the letter, indicating if your child is interested in band and if so, which instrument would he/she like to try.

FACES

PLAYGROUND CLEAN-Up-----PLEASE HELP

The FACES Parent group will be leading up an effort to replace the blue mulch on our playground and make sure that the depth is again at a safe level for our children. **Please join us, with rakes in hand, after 9:30am Mass this Sunday (10:30am).** Many hands make light work, so the more helpers that we have - the sooner we will all be able to enjoy the day! Contact Kathleen at SMMFACES@yahoo.com or 558-4068 with any questions. Thank you in advance for your help!

END OF THE YEAR MEETING-----REMINDER

This is just a reminder to please RSVP for the End of Year Chairperson Wrap-Up on **Tuesday, May 25th at 7pm** in Friendship Hall. We would like to take the opportunity to share our appreciation for your time and dedication with a reception in Friendship Hall. We will have wine, cheese and some sweets and ask that you please join us to socialize and "wrap-up" the school year in style. If you are not able to make it that evening please plan on dropping off your completed binder in the office by Friday, May 21st. If you plan on chairing the event next year we will get the binder back to you after the meeting. If you have any questions please let us know at SMMFACES@yahoo.com

Save the Date

Seton Catholic Middle School will host their Third Annual *Meet Me in the Middle* on Saturday, September 11, 2010 at 7:00 PM on the Terrace at Miron Construction Company.

Zephyr Hoopla 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament

Mark your calendars for August 7. The SMC Booster Club is hosting their first annual 3 on 3 basketball tournament for 3-12 grade students in the SMC outdoor lot. Click [here](#) for more information and registration form. You won't want to miss this fun event!

Annual Field Day

Our annual Field Day will be Tuesday, June 1st, following the lunch hour. There is a letter attached to the newsletter asking for parent help for the event

SMC Girls Soccer Grade/Middle School Night

SMC invites you to attend Grade/Middle School Night on **Monday, May 17, 2010** as the SMC Girls Soccer Team challenges Kewaunee at 7:00 p.m. Each student will receive a coupon for a beverage and popcorn and will be entered in a drawing for some great prizes. Come out to see the excitement of SMC girls' soccer!

Dress Code

We are into our warm weather dress code at this date---although there are days that we could still use winter coats! Please help your children to remember that they cannot wear sandals without a strap across the back and if children are wearing socks, they need to adhere to the dress code---red, white, or navy socks only. Two flyers are being sent home with your children today. One is from French Toast, the other from Kohl's. These two companies are dress code providers. There is a catalogue from French Toast in the office. We are also including an order form for TCCES logo wear---shirts and sweatshirts. Orders can be placed before the end of the year, and they will be ready for you at orientation.

Fall Soccer

Sign up sheets for grades 2, 3, 4, and 5 for Fall Soccer were sent home. Please return them to school as soon as possible. We have to have numbers to set up the teams for next year.

Vacation Bible School

Save the week of August 9 – August 12 for Vacation Bible School. Information and registration will be coming home soon. It runs daily from 10 a.m. –12 p.m.

SCRIP

May 19th is the last day that SCRIP will be sold in school. You may still purchase SCRIP on Sundays after all of the Masses and apply the credit to your tuition account.

Reporting Sexual Abuse

As part of the diocesan policy of Protecting God's Children, all schools are expected to provide information to families about the reporting of incidents involving the sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer. If you know of an incident, please report this incident to **Ms. Ann Fox at 1-877-270-8174**. Should you prefer to report to someone not associated with, or employed by the diocese, please call Mr. Bob Johnson, Executive Director of American Foundation of Counseling Services in Green Bay and an individual will assist you in filing a report. Mr. Johnson's number is **1-920-437-8256**.