

Imagine your child...

Increasing in respectfulness, resourcefulness and responsibility
 Focusing on God's loving presence
 Being guided by devoted and professional teachers
 Being equipped to excel and growing in confidence
 Becoming dream makers and world changers....
Imagine your child changing the world...

St. Mary's Parish School
Newsletter
May 22 through May 28



Please note: the school office sent out **sign-ups** to all families this past week to help with items for the luncheon for Grandparents/students on this Friday. Thank you for your assistance.

In a few days, the school office will send out sign-ups for food/assistance at **Klemgard Park on Monday, June 6**. For new families please check out on page 4 what this event is all about.



Monday, May 23 Lunch menu **Lemon Chicken with rice**

Tuesday, May 24 Lunch menu **Corn dogs**

Nikki Crathorne needs HELP to transport items for the Lion King from school to the Nazarene Church at 12:00. IF you can help (about one hour) please be at the school by 11:50. Thank you!

School Board meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 25 Lunch menu **Cheesy enchiladas Casserole**

Safety Environment Workshop (SEW) will be held at the school. It will start at 5:30 and will last about two hours. Any person working with youth is required to be certified by the Diocese of Boise. This workshop provides the needed certification. Also, as parents if you plan on driving students that are not related to you, then this workshop is for you too. If you want or need such training but cannot attend this one, please call the school and let us know. Sister Margaret is the trainer and she is planning on doing several of these over the next months *before* school begins in the fall.

Thursday, May 26 Lunch menu **Fiesta Ravioli**
 Our Spring Musical is **The Lion King**. It will be held at the Nazarene Church and it starts at 7:00 p.m.—spread the word to neighbors and friends.

Nikki Crathorne needs HELP with clean-up after the performance and transporting items from the Nazarene Church to school. Please help if you can. Thank you!

Friday,

May 27

Lunch menu **Cheesy Penne Casserole + Garlic Bread**
 Mass at 9:00 a.m. with Grade 2 as prayer leaders



Grandparents are **welcome for the whole day**, beginning with Mass, and after Mass spend time with their grandchildren in their classrooms, have lunch with the children and then join in the Carnival fun!!!!

Carnival 2022 will be in the afternoon on Friday, May 27. If you would like to assist in the various games provided by Student Council, please contact Mr. Brad Herrenbruck at the school or email him at bherrenbruck@stmarysmoscow.com Having a carnival again is great. It's wonderful to be able to do it with grandparents too. Thank you to Mr. Herrenbruck and Student Council for making this event happen on May 27th.

Speaking of grandparents, did you know that Pope Francis just wrote an article entitled "You are needed" which is addressed to all Grandparents. He has declared July 25 to be the first World Day for Grandparents and the elderly. **Attached** is the article about this event. Please share with your grandparents.

Some Questions That Have Been Asked:

Q. We know that Thursday, May 26 is the Lion King, but where and when does it start?

A. It is at the Nazarene Church 1400 East 7th. The Concert/play starts at 7:00 p.m. Students who will be wearing a microphone need to be at the church by 6:30 and all the other students by 6:40. Please invite all your friends to come...they will enjoy this rendition of the Lion King.

We are so grateful that once more we are able to come together as a community to enjoy the students musical and acting abilities. The students (and teachers, especially Nikki Crathorne) have been working very hard to pull everything together.

Q. What are the details for the Summer Program at St. Mary's? And how do I register my child(ren)?

A. Here are the facts for our Summer Program 2022

- It starts on **Monday, June 13** and ends on **Friday, August 12**
- You may sign for one day **OR** one week **OR** one month **OR** the entire 9 weeks. *You may sign for a full day or half day.*
- Rates are the following:
 - a. For ages 4-5 cost for half a day is \$30.00 (*less than 5 hours*) and full day is \$40.00 (*5 hours +*)
 - b. For ages 6-12 cost for half or full is the same= \$28.00
- Registration for either age program is a one-time fee of **\$75.00 per child**



- There are two programs available:
 - a. Ages 4-5
 - b. Ages 6-12

A schedule of activities per week (for ages 4-5) as well as schedule of activities daily for ages 6-12 will be coming out later this week.

Registration forms: call the school for the registration forms.

Q. Are all teachers returning in the Fall?

- A. All the teachers are returning, except one. This week, Mrs. Kamryn Seidel our fifth-grade teacher said she was not planning to return. We were sorry to know her decision. She asked that we put the following note from her in the newsletter:

It is with a heavy heart that I report that I have accepted a Special Education teaching position in Lewiston. This new position will allow me to spend more time with my family, as well as to lessen the strain of the expensive commute. I have come to love the staff and students at St. Mary's, and it will be difficult to leave. I have really enjoyed teaching at St. Mary's. My fifth-grade class has been absolutely wonderful and has given me memories that I will keep with me always. Thank you all for being so welcoming and so kind. I will miss you. Kami Seidel

And we will miss you Mrs. Seidel. Thank you for all you have done and been for us at St. Mary's. Please come and visit anytime!!

Q. I know that the date to apply for financial assistance has passed. However, our circumstances have changed. May we still apply?

- A. It is always our goal to work with parents financially (other ways too!). Please contact our business office managers: Kathy Burton or Rasheen Acree at the school or their email: bizmanager@stmarysmoscow.com We are attaching the link to the application that is required which is:
<https://www.ismfast.com/FastPage.php?id=4d87258f94765bd20cf12e1f0a2f4e96>

Q. Has a date been set for the Pizza and Bingo party for the school for doing such a great job for the Pennies War?

- A. The date is set for **June 2**. The WHOLE school will have Pizza for lunch with Bingo in the afternoon! Please let us know in the school office IF you would like to join your child(ren) in this event.

Q. How is the baby bottle for Palouse Network doing? Is it still possible to still send coins/paper money/checks for this cause?

- A. Yes, to all three. Why are sponsoring the baby bottle campaign for Palouse Network? Since 1982 this organization has had as its focus and mission to promote a culture of life on the Palouse through a diverse network of services that empower healthy relationship decisions. They believe that human life has invaluable worth and significance in all of its dimensions, including the unborn, the aged, the weak, the mentally impaired, the physically challenged, and every other condition in which humanness is expressed from

conception to the grave. One of the parents in school, Matthew Couch works for Palouse Care. He was the one who brought this cause to the school. We are happy to be a partner with Palouse Care. Please send any amount with your child to put into the baby bottle. We'll do this till the last day of school. The campaign started with Mother's Day and ends with Father's Day.

Q. How is the Search for candidates (teachers/aides/childcare) going for the Fall?

A. We have had some excellent candidates applying.

We are still accepting applications for Fall 2022 for the following positions:

- Full time Social Studies/English teacher for Grades 6, 7 and 8;
- Full time teachers for Grades 3 and 5
- Full time Aides



Contact the school for more information and application form or go online to www.stmarysmoscow.org for the forms.

We will be hiring childcare providers for our After-School Program. *Please continue helping us spread the word.*

Some Dates to Note in the Days/Weeks Ahead

May 31: *We are welcoming the High School Seniors who attended St. Mary's School. They will be returning to have lunch with our 8th graders. This has been a tradition for many years. The high school seniors love reconnecting with their elementary school experience and together they give "advice" to the 8th graders upon their entrance into high school.*

June 2nd **Pizza lunch for the WHOLE school with Bingo in the afternoon (thank you for the great work on the Penny Wars.**

June 3 **Mass on the Grass is at 9:00 a.m. –not 10 as previously printed. It will be at school. All are invited. More information next week.**

June 6 **Klemgard Park:** A wonderful tradition our school has had for over 45 years is a day at **Klemgard Park**. The park is between Pullman and Colfax and it has 59 acres of land that includes a trail, wide open spaces, an area of play equipment and a barbecue pit. Well-kept bathrooms, etc. It's just a space and place for the whole family. We hope as many parents who can will join us for the day of fun and sun. *(There have only be two of the 45+ years we've been rained out and had to make the school into Klemgard!!!)*

Given their age and length of day, we have found it best to have only students from Kindergarten through 8th Grade attend Klemgard and the Preschoolers and PreK will have their own "little" Klemgard at school.

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