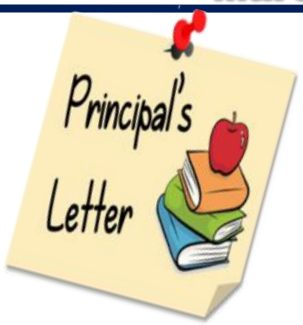
BOBCAT BUZZ

March 2026



Hello families,
This March our students are focusing on prayer, fasting, and almsgiving through service work, praying for others and abstaining from items to spend more time in prayer. Middle school students are working on their Way of the Cross Presentation. It is a collaboration of all three grades. Students pray, act, sing, and reflect throughout the process of planning to present the Stations during Holy Week. Elementary classes focus on studying the stations, completing chores to earn canned goods, sending letters to those in need, as well as other works related to the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy to focus on prayer, fasting, almsgiving throughout this season.
I am proud of the work of our school community to build our children's mind, heart, and spirit each day!
Thank you for choosing SMCS, where we Enter to Learn and Leave to Serve!

Blessings,
Laura

Mrs. Halbardier

UPCOMING EVENTS

Date		Time	Activity
Mar.	2-6		Read Across America
Mar.	2-4	7:00pm	Parish Mission
Mar.	3		3rd grade field trip to Red River Cantina
Mar.	3		4th grade confession
Mar.	6		3rd grade confession
Mar.	3-6		5th graders at Camp Kappe
Mar.	6		3rd quarter ends
Mar.	6	*2:15pm*	*Early Dismissal– No Aftercare*
Mar.	9-13		*Spring Break –No School*
Mar.	20		Report cards go home
Mar.	20		2nd enrollment incentive ends
Mar.	23	8:30am	St. Mary Fairway to Heaven Golf Classic
Mar.	23		4th grade field trip to Froberg's
Mar.	27		Library field trip
Apr.	1	6:00pm	Way of the Cross *No Aftercare*
Apr.	2	8:30am	Way of the Cross
Apr.	2	12:15pm	*Holy Thursday Early Dismissal- No Aftercare*
Apr.	3		*Good Friday-No School*

LENTEN FISH FRY

Our locally famous St. Mary KC Lenten Fish Fry continues each Friday until March 27. Dinner is served from 5:00—8:00pm at Cargill Hall.

- Large Plate: $12.00: 2 Fish Filets or ½ lb. Grilled Shrimp 2 Hush Puppies
- Small Plate: $7.00: 1 Fish Filet 1 Hush Puppy

All Plates Include French Fries, Cole Slaw, Dessert & Iced Tea. Join us afterwards at 7:00pm for Stations of the Cross in the church.

WAY OF THE CROSS

Our Junior High students will be reenacting the Stations of the Cross in their annual production of the Way of the Cross. There will be two showings open to the whole community.

- Wednesday, April 1 from 6:00 –7:00pm
- Thursday, April 2 from 8:30 – 9:30am

Come watch and pray with us at the Thursday morning showing with your SMCS students and/or invite extended family and friends to the Wednesday evening event. This is always a meaningful way to start Holy Week and our Junior High students put in weeks of work to prepare this presentation for the community.

ENROLLMENT

Enrollment for next year at St. Mary Catholic School is already underway for both returning students and new families. The first incentive deadline has passed, but there are still opportunities to save on registration fees if you register by March 20 or April 24. Families who register after April 24 will pay the full registration fee. Please complete the online re-enrollment as soon as possible so plans can be made for classes for next year. Current students are not automatically placed in classes for the next school year.

READ ACROSS AMERICA

March 2 through March 6 is Read Across America Week and SMCS will be celebrating with themed dress days all week!

- 🕮 Monday March 2 “We Positively Love Books,” wear a shirt with a positive message.
- 🕮 Tuesday March 3 “Dream Big, Read Books,” wear your pajamas and bring your favorite book.
- 🕮 Wednesday March 4 “Reading Unites Us,” wear a team jersey or spirit shirt.
- 🕮 Thursday March 5 “Books Boost Your Imagination,” dress like your favorite book character.
- 🕮 Friday March 6 “Flashlight Friday” drop everything and read day.

FIELD DAY

Get ready for an exciting Olympic themed Field Day on April 10! We are in need of volunteers to assist with all areas of the day. If you are available to lend a hand please click HERE to sign up. All volunteers must be safe haven trained.

MASS INFORMATION

Day	Class Serving as Lectors	Class Serving as Altar Servers	Class Singing with Choir	Class Serving as Gift Bearers
Mar. 6	7th grade	7th grade	Mrs. McCarthy's 3rd grade	Mrs. Mellado's 2nd grade and 8th grade
Mar. 20	6th grade	6th grade	Mrs. Keaton's 5th grade	Mrs. Mathews 1st grade and 8th grade
Mar. 27	5th grade	5th grade	Mrs. Pate's 3rd grade	Ms. Gonzalez's 1st grade and 8th grade

MORNING PRAYER

March 2-6	Mrs. Parker's 4th grade
March 16-20	Mrs. Pray's 4th grade
March 23-27	Mrs. McCarthy's 3rd grade
March 30-April 3	Mrs. Pate's 3rd grade

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Mrs. Mellado	March 2
Mrs. Keaten	March 5
Mrs. Matthews	March 21

SMCS GALA

St. Mary's annual spring gala will be held Saturday, May 2, 2026, at 6:30pm in Annunciation Hall. This year's theme for the 2026 Blue and White Gala is Diamonds and Denim! The gala is very important to our school community and our final fundraiser for the school year. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. Reach out to Patricia Richards with your questions, ideas, or to volunteer!

THANK YOU

… *Camp Kappe drivers*
… *Mr. Osterberger, Mr. Denton, and Mr. Rendon for chaperoning at Camp Kappe*
… *Mr. Campos and the Knights of Columbus for hosting the Spaghetti Dinner*
… *Spaghetti Dinner volunteers*
… *Everyone that attended the Family Luncheon*
… *Estebans Café y Cantina*

FIRST SUNDAY MASS

Students who attend any Mass in person wearing full dress uniform will earn **free dress the following Monday.**

RESOURCES

ParentsWeb (FACTS, grades, lunch ordering)
stmy-tx.client.renweb.com/pwr

Teacher's Friday Letters
https://www.stmarylc.org/academics/newsletters.cfm

St. Mary Facebook Page
www.facebook.com/stmarylc

FAIRWAY TO HEAVEN

St. Mary of the Expectation Catholic Church

GOLF CLASSIC

Benefitting

ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

PURPOSE

St. Mary of the Expectation Catholic Church invites you to join us for a fun day of golf and fellowship for the benefit of St. Mary Catholic School.

MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2026

South Shore Harbour Country Club

4300 South Shore Blvd.

League City, TX 77573

DEADLINES

Sponsorship: 3/2/2026

Registration: 3/9/2026

INFORMATION

Time: 7:00 AM Check in and Breakfast

8:30 AM Shot Gun Start

2:00 PM Awards

Fees: $150 Per Player

$600 for a Team of 4

Format: Shot Gun Start/4 person teams

Registration includes Tee Time, Breakfast, Lunch, Snacks, and Gift Bags.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM REGISTRATION

Sponsorship Opportunities