



Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 18th

Mass of the Lord's Supper, at 7pm. All are welcome to spend time with Jesus at the Altar of Repose in the Resurrection Room following the Lord's Supper.

Good Friday, April 19th

Stations of the Cross, at Noon in the church
Confession Between Stations and Divine Mercy (last chance for confession before Easter)
Divine Mercy Chaplet: at 3pm in the church
Veneration of the Cross with Communion at 7pm.

Holy Saturday, April 20th

Easter Vigil Mass at 8:30pm, Bring your bells!

Easter Sunday

Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord, 6:30am, 8:30am and 11am.



Letter from the Principal

Dear St. Mark's Families,

I am so encouraged by the first MAPs scores that are coming in! Teachers are seeing many students meet and exceed their expected growth goals in Reading and Language Arts. Next week, students will take the Math MAPs. Once the State testing window closes in mid-May, we will be able to print your child's results and send them home with their year-end report card. I will also give a summary of our scores at the end of the year.

Please continue to check Friday Facts for the many events we have coming up - our Spring Concert, The May Crowning, the Talent Show, 8th-grade graduation, Field Day and more!

We want to thank Bishop Kelly High School for sending five students to talk to our middle school students and our fourth graders about the harmful effects of tobacco. These students were trained by St. Al's nurses to become part of their TaTu program (Teens Against Tobacco Use). They did an excellent job, and we are blessed to be part of this partnership with BK and St. Al's.

A reminder that we do not have school on Monday in celebration of Easter. When



we return, we will be filling our 48 Jared Boxes with all of the generous donations you have provided. Thank you! I pray your family has a blessed Holiday weekend.

Peace,
Donna Gordon

Student Spotlight



Thank you to Mrs. Jankowski's 1st grade for collecting 260 lbs of food for St. Mark's Food Bank. That's 10 lbs of food for each student. Way to go 1st graders!



Senora A's K-5 Spanish students recreated a Holy Week Carpetas from Guatemala to decorate our school's entrance for Easter

 LionPRIDE	Practice MAKES Saints					
	CLASSROOM	HALLWAYS	LUNCH ROOM	PLAYGROUND	BATHROOMS	CHURCH
PERSEVERANCE <i>Every Day - Every Time</i>	Be Prepared Be On Time Be On Task Be Present	Be Timely Be Courteous Model Good Behavior Walk Slowly	Use Your Manners Be Patient Wait to be Excused	Be Safe Obey the Rules Play Fair Share Space & Equipment Be a Good Sport	Throw Away Trash Keep it Clean Flush Toilet Wash Hands	Be Engaged Pray, Not Play Behave Appropriately
RESPECT <i>Others, Self & Property</i>	Be Positive Listen to Others Be Prompt Follow Dress Code Care for School Property Be Honest	Be Quiet Keep Your Hands to Yourself Keep Clean	Clean up Messes Share Space Eat Only Your Food Keep Voices Low Keep your Hands to Yourself	Use Kind Words Use Equipment as Intended Keep Your Hands to Yourself	Give Others Privacy Use Appropriate Volume	Listen Attentively Enter and Leave Quietly Treat Church Materials with Care
INTEGRITY <i>Honesty in All You Do</i>	Be Accountable Do Your Own Work Set & Meet Goals Honor Due Dates	Do the Right Thing Respect Posters & Displays	Use Manners Don't Be Wasteful Pay for Purchases	Notify Staff if Problems Arise Follow Staff Directions	Return to Class Promptly & Quietly Report any Inappropriate Behavior Use at Appropriate Times	Be Kind Be on Time
DISCIPLESHIP <i>Following Jesus' Example</i>	Support Others Cooperate with Others Be Honest Share Christ's Love	Help Others in Need Say Thank You to Our Custodians	Sit by Those Sitting Alone Engage in Appropriate Conversations	Encourage Others to be Kind Be Inclusive Lead by Example Help Others When Needed	Use Only as Needed Report Supply Shortages Clean Up After Yourself	Be REVERENT Actively Participate Be Involved Show Appreciation
EXCELLENCE <i>Strive for Success</i>	Do Your Very Best Work Challenge Yourself Learn Beyond the Classroom Ask Questions	Set a Good Example Greet People Politely	Follow Cafeteria Rules Use an Inside Voice	Solve Issues in a Peaceful Manner Line Up on Time Stay in Assigned Areas	Use During Non-Instructional Times Report Problems to an Adult	Be the Best Version of Yourself Follow Dress Code for Mass

SAINT MARK'S
-CATHOLIC SCHOOL-

Lion Pride Recognition

Congratulations to this week's winners:

Weekly Calendar

Friday, April 19

Good Friday - No School

Sunday, April 21

Easter

Monday, April 22

Easter Monday - No School

Earth Day

Tuesday, April 23

Spring MAP Testing

Wednesday, April 24

8:30 a.m. Student Body Mass presented by Mrs. Behrend's 7th grade

Spring MAP Testing

Administrative Professionals Day

Thursday, April 25

Spring MAP Testing

Feast of St. Mark

4th Grade Wagons Ho! Field Trip

Friday, April 26

8:30 a.m. Late Start Friday

Progress Reports Issued on Rediker - Full Day of School

Spring MAP Testing

\$1 Optional Spirit Day

7:00-9:00 p.m. 7/8 Grade TVCS Dance @ St. Mark's School

Saturday, April 27

First Communion Retreat/Rehearsal

Group A (8:30 a.m. Mass) - 8:30—11:30 a.m.

Group B (11:00 a.m. Mass) - 9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

6:00-10:00 p.m. St. Mark's School Carnival

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, May 1

8:30 a.m. Student Body Mass presented by Mrs. Russell's 4th grade

5th grade Civil War Field Trip

Friday, May 3

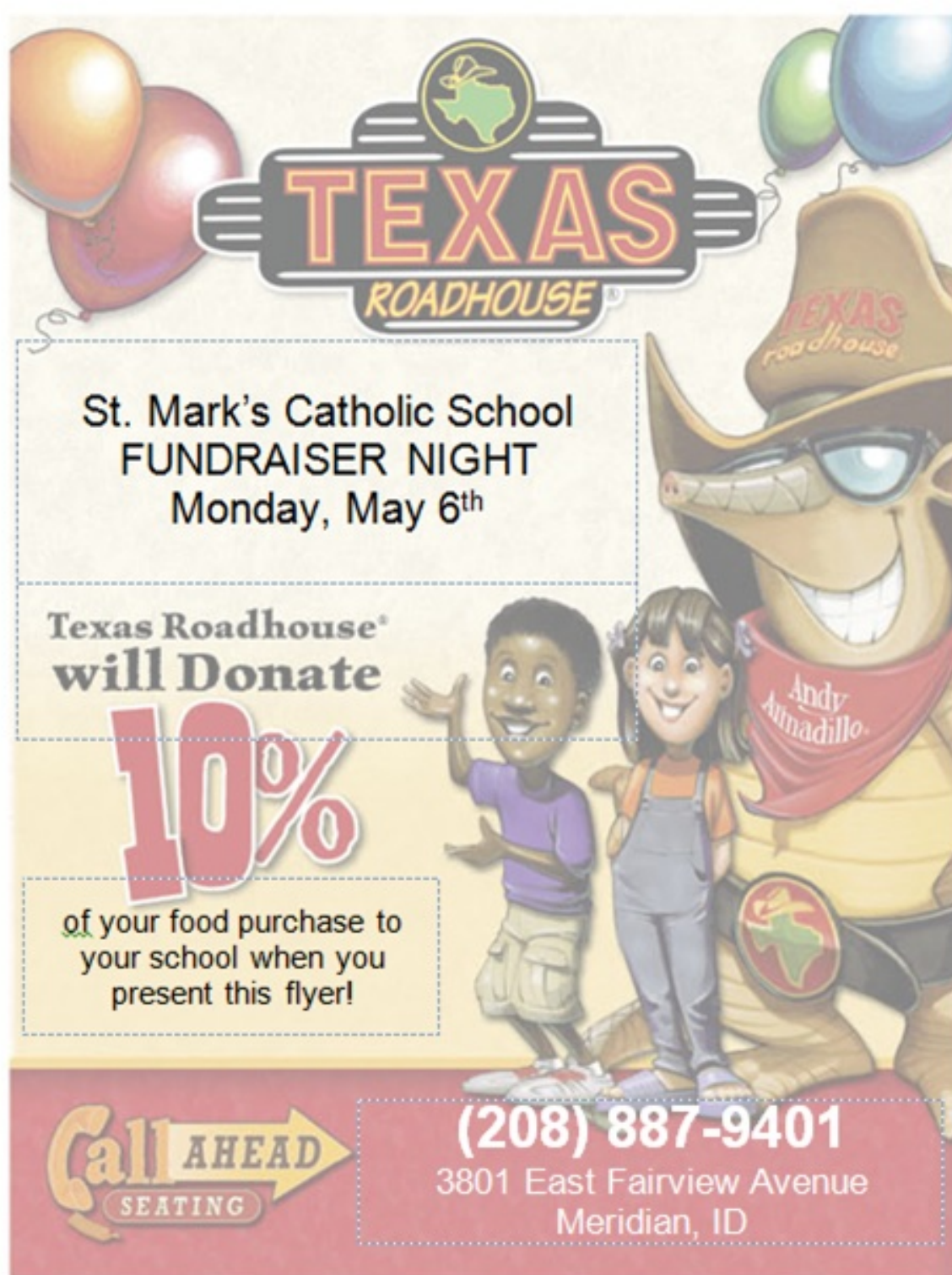
8:30 a.m. Late Start Friday

Spirit Day

1:00-6:00 p.m. Golf Tournament at Eagle Hills Golf Course

1:30 p.m. Spanish Celebration

Home and School



2019 Dinner Auction staff is looking for:

*Volunteers to help with calling businesses for donations. These businesses have given items in the past. This is not a tough sales call but does require follow through.

Approximately 30 businesses. If you are interested please email Jessica at stmarksdonations@gmail.com. A script and other training is provided.

*Bring in round cake tins. We could use any size rounds. If you have some you could part with, please bring them to the office.

*Volunteers, who enjoy crafts, to help with making centerpieces and other decorations for the event.

*Bring in bottles of wine. We are looking for wine again this year. Any bottles you can spare, please drop off at the front office.

*Class Project Coordinator to find volunteers for each class project, help volunteers with ideas for projects and keep track of progress of projects as Dinner Auction nears

*If there are any questions about any of these needs please email

stmarksschoolauction@gmail.com

Thank you so much for your willingness to help!

Volunteer Opportunities

CARNIVAL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

A SIGN UP GENIUS has been created to volunteer for our first annual Spring Carnival.



Looking for bakers to sign up to bring goodies for the St. Mark's School Carnival Cake Walk. Baking counts toward volunteer hours. Sign up at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4da4ac2da3f94-cake>

The Carnival Committee is in need of donations of glass or plastic vases for the ping pong toss. The vases must have a large opening to toss ping pong balls into.



St. Mark's School is hosting a grandparent reception on Wednesday, May 8th. Grandparents are invited to come to the school for refreshments and photos with their grandchildren. Volunteers are needed to provide refreshments and help with set-up, serving and clean-up. If you still need volunteer hours, this is a great opportunity. Please sign up to help at

<https://signup.com/go/AaxCchC>

The Diaper Bank Community Service Hours for Students is looking for an adult to help with the monthly project. This is a once a month project for Middle School student to help the Food Bank sort and package diapers and to earn their Community Service hours. The event takes place the 3rd Wednesday after school in the auditorium. Contact Meredith Dean-Dickson at marydean1307@hotmail.com with questions. Mrs. Dean-Dickson is expecting a baby in September and is wanting to cross-train another Volunteer to help with this ministry while she is out.

Dear Parents,

FIELD DAY is approaching quickly. I wanted to let you know that the last day to get your safe environment training done is on April 18th. Field day will be on May 28th. I will need volunteers and this is a good day to get in to get your hours in. Please e-mail me at dschaffeld@stmarksboise.org if you are interested in helping. I would like it if volunteers could stay all day and help. If you can only help with either the morning or the afternoon section please let me know so we can try and make accommodations as quickly as possible.

Thanks.

Coach Schaffeld

Spring Yard Cleanup

Saturday, April 27 from 9:00-11:30 a.m.

We are looking for volunteers who have tree and shrub trimming experience. We will be cutting down trees and the wood is available on a first come, first served u-haul basis. We will also be doing general ground maintenance so please bring your rakes, shovels, hand tools, etc. Sign up at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090448ABA82EAAFE3-2019>

Lunch Room Volunteers

NEXT WEEK'S LUNCH HELPERS

Tuesday (23)—Schwehr, Irvine

Wednesday (24)—LaMott, Schindele

Thursday (25)—

Friday (26)—McCrae

St. Mark's offers a healthy, delicious hot lunch to students and staff EVERY FULL DAY OF SCHOOL!

3 LUNCHROOM HELPERS ARE NEEDED EACH DAY to make the lunchroom experience enjoyable for all. Volunteers work from 11:10-12:45 and are given a free lunch. SIGN UP in the BLUE BINDER in the School Office.

Daily Lunch Schedule: 11:20 (K-2); 11:40 (3-5); 12:00 (6-8)

News



The poster features a central circular logo with a stylized yellow and red fish-like creature with its mouth open, set against a background of purple and yellow rays. The text "ST. MARK'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL" is arched over the top of the logo, and "2019" is at the bottom. Below the logo, a dark blue shield contains the words "SPRING CARNIVAL" in white. To the left of the shield, the text "FAMILY FUN", "PONY RIDES", and "CAKE WALK" is listed. To the right, "FOOD TRUCKS", "GAMES", and "MUSIC" is listed. The date and time "SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH 6 - 10 PM" are prominently displayed in large, bold letters. Below this, "ST. MARK'S SCHOOL FIELD" is written. At the bottom, a yellow starburst contains the text "WRISTBANDS \$20 UNTIL 4/24" and "\$25 AT THE GATE".

ST. MARK'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

2019

SPRING CARNIVAL

FAMILY FUN
PONY RIDES
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MUSIC

SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH
6 - 10 PM

ST. MARK'S SCHOOL FIELD

WRISTBANDS \$20 UNTIL 4/24
\$25 AT THE GATE

WRIST BANDS are on sale for \$20.
 Wrist bands cover games and concessions (20 punches).
 Pre -sales end on April 24th. They will be \$25 on the day of
 the event, so purchase early and save!

[To volunteer for the carnival click here!](#)

MAP testing through Friday, April 26 for grades 2-8. Please avoid appointments during this time period.

	Monday 4/22		Tuesday 4/23	Wednesday 4/24	Thursday 4/25	Friday 4/26
8:05- 9:45	<i><u>Easter Monday</u></i> No School			Mass		
10:05 - Lunch (9:45 recess for 3rd & 4th)				3 Math 4 Math		
After Lunch (11:45 for 2nd 12:05 for 5th)			8 Math 7 Math 6 Math	2 Math 5 Math		

Grandparents ***YOU ARE INVITED*** *to the*

Grandparent Mass & May Crowning

- Wednesday, May 8th
- Mass begins at 8:30 a.m.
at St. Mark's Church

Join your grandchildren and St. Mark's School for Mass and a special blessing. You are welcome to sit with your grandchild during Mass.

**There will be a grandparent reception
after Mass in the school's gymnasium.**

**Please join us for light refreshments and photos with
your grandchildren.**

Students will be returning to the school with their class.
You can meet them in the school gym for the reception.



Sunday School Mass – Sunday, April 28th at 11:00am

Our students have the opportunity to host the Mass on Sunday, April 28th at the 11:00am Mass. This is also the Sunday that the parish will celebrate the Feast of St. Mark so there will be lots of festivities! The students will be serving, reading and greeting at this Mass. There are many opportunities for them to be involved. We will need 8 readers (2 for the readings & 6 for the petitions), 8 greeters, 4 altar servers and a family to bring up the gifts. Students who have assigned parts in the Mass should plan to be at the church at 10:30am on Sunday morning wearing their uniform. Please email Katie Stroschein at kstroschein@stmarksboise.org to volunteer for these positions. Thank you!

St. Mark's Council of Catholic Women Scholarship to Bishop Kelly High School - 2019

St. Mark's CCW will be awarding two (2) \$1,000.00 scholarships to current 8th grade students who are members of St. Mark's Parish who will be entering Bishop Kelly High School in the fall semester of 2019. To apply for a scholarship, students are required to submit the following:

- A resume detailing information about yourself, including your academic, extracurricular, and charitable activities. Please use standard resume format.

- An essay of no more than 500 words regarding the topic: What a Bishop Kelly education means to me in terms of spiritual growth, academic preparation, stewardship preparation, and future goals. Include an opening and a closing paragraph.

Applications must be submitted to the church or school office, attn.: Andrea Dunlap, no later than Friday, April 26th by 4pm. Applications will be reviewed in an anonymous manner and selection will be determined as follows: 75% of the total points on content and 25% on organization, structure, spelling and grammar. Applications are judged on: submission by deadline, submission of required materials, and adherence to submission requirements for information, spelling and grammar.

St. Mark's Home & School Association

Iker Larrazabal Scholarship to Bishop Kelly High School

The St. Mark's Home & School Association will be awarding three (3) \$1,000.00 scholarships to current St. Mark's 8th grade students who will be entering Bishop Kelly High School in the fall of 2019. To apply for a scholarship, students are required to submit the following:

- A resume detailing information about yourself, including your academic, extracurricular, and charitable activities.

- An essay of no more than 500 words regarding the topic: What a Bishop Kelly education means to me in terms of spiritual growth, academic preparation, and future goals.

To be considered, applications must be submitted to the School Office, marked "Home & School Scholarship Application" no later than Friday, April 26, 2019 by 4pm. Applications will be reviewed in an anonymous manner and selection will be determined as follows: 75% of the total points on content and 25% on organization, structure, spelling and grammar.

If you have any questions, please contact H&S Member, Andrea Dunlap at andreaannedunlap@gmail.com.

~ Iker Larrazabal was a student of St. Mark' in the earlier years of the school. During 4th grade he was diagnosed with Leukemia. He battled it and was in remission for 5th grade, but sadly it returned and he passed away during his 6th grade year, in 1982. He was one of Mrs. Baker's best friends and she had this to say about him, "Iker was a sweet boy who loved his family, especially his little sister. He was a great friend and enjoyed playing sports, when he was healthy, and hanging out with his friends. He loved St. Mark's School." Upon his passing, Mrs. Baker and friends formed a committee to establish this scholarship in his memory. It was originally funded by school parents until the Home & School Association wanted to continue this special honor. His parents moved back to Spain after his passing, but came to visit St. Mark's school a few years ago. His mother was delighted to see their son's dear friend teaching here at St. Mark's. You can stop by the plaque near the school office to honor this special student who came before us and departed far too soon.

Bishop Kelly Spirit Store

Don't forget BK spirit wear for graduation gifts!

The spirit store will continue to be open during lunch until May 20.

The Spirit Store needs volunteers for the 2019-2020 school year! If you are interested in volunteering in the store during BK's lunch times (approx. 11:30am-1:30pm, depending on bell schedule), even every other week, or during football games or special events, please contact Chris Kempers ckempers@ctweb.net; 208-573-1510.



Clare Throm - Community, Mrs. Throm's (3rd grade aide) daughter was awarded BK Student of the Week

Clare is a pleasant and respectful student. She is extremely helpful in all areas while working in the Front Office. We appreciate Clare's strong work ethic.

The last day to check out library books will be Tuesday, May 7th; with all books being returned by Monday, May 13th.

Summer Skills books, to keep student's learning current through the summer, are now available to order. [Click here](#) to print the order form. Remember to order the grade that your student is in now because this is a review of what was learned during the school year.

Congratulations to St. Mark's graduates and current BK seniors Seth Richardson and Emma Sammartino for being selected at 2019 Boise Rotary Century Scholars.



[Registrations are now open for individuals and teams](#)

The 2019 St. Mark's School Foundation Golf Scramble. There will be a shotgun start at 1:00 pm. Lunch will be provided, so arrive early to register and enjoy a meal. In addition to prizes for the competition, the Foundation will also be holding a raffle at the event with a variety of items to choose from.

Interested in Volunteering? Contact Joe Czarniecki at 208-250-0827 jczarniecki@gmail.com

General Questions? Contact Peter Vaughan at 208-340-1400 peter.b.vaughan@hotmail.com

St. Mark's School Foundation is a 501(c)(3) corporation



Congratulations to Mrs. Cooper and the BK Choir & Orchestra. Orchestra took 1st place and won a trophy for Best Orchestra and Choir took 2nd place. The orchestra and choir competed against 1,000 kids at the WorldStrides Heritage Festival in Seattle this last weekend. Former St. Mark's students include Sydney Tverdy, Anneleise Jensen, Jacob Cooper, Madison Dixon, Isaac Schrag and Austin Schuette



Thank you to St. Mark's graduates and current BK members of TATU (Teens Against Tobacco Use) who came to school this week and presented a program to the student body on anti-tobacco use. Presenters include Bailey Cunningham, Catie Mullin, Grace Cunningham and Kylie Godfrey.

Sports

April

- 23 Tennis @ East Valley Middle School
- Track @ BK
- 24 Tennis v. Emmett Middle School
- 30 Tennis @ Jefferson Middle School

May

- 1 Tennis v. Kuna Middle School
- 2 Track @ Emmett High School
- 4 Tennis Tournament @ Ridge View and Sage Valley Middle School
- TBA Track District Meet

Bishop Kelly Youth Football

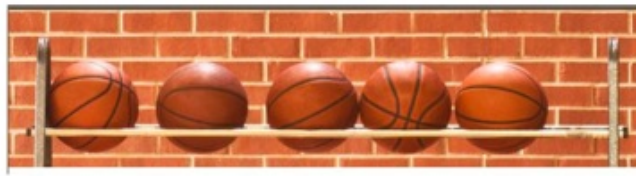
25th Annual, the only Full padded camp in the area.

Players in grades 3rd -8th for the 2019-20 school year

June 24th -27th, 2019

For applications and online registrations go to www.bkfootballcamp.com

For more information contact Tim Brennan at tbrennan@bk.org



2019 Boys Youth Basketball Camp June 17-20

SIGN UP AT: <https://goo.gl/forms/ln04SCEWaDcByihU2>

Thank you for your interest in BK Boys Basketball! Our mission for these boys is to HELP THEM ENJOY BASKETBALL and give them POSITIVE EXPERIENCES, while helping them increase their skill, no matter their experience. Campers will be led by Coach Patxi and coached by current BK basketball players.

The morning camp, from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM, is for incoming **3rd-5th graders** and is played entirely on 8.5 foot hoops. Players build fundamental skills and have so much fun in this camp!

The afternoon camp, from 1-4 PM, is for incoming **6th-8th graders** and is played entirely on 10 foot hoops. Players get great instruction with a BK Basketball focus, as well as great competition at this camp versus other future Knights!

Please write coach Patxi Kerns (rkerns@bk.org) with any questions. Thank you!

BISHOP KELLY BASEBALL CAMP

June 4th-6th from 9AM-12PM

Bishop Kelly Baseball Field

[Click here to download BK Baseball Camp form](#)

B.K. KNIGHTS SPORTS PHYSICALS SUNDAY, MAY 5th from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saint Alphonsus Family Center 900 N. Liberty Suite 204

ATTENTION: ALL Students planning to participate in athletics and cheerleading at BKHS next year (2019-20).

- BK school policy requires physicals to be updated annually. Physical forms can be printed at www.bkathletics.org/forms or check at the school office.

- New electronic sign-up for appointments.

<https://forms.gle/2jj4bUUgiW26LqvD9> to sign up students.

- Health history must be completed and signed by parents, then brought to the physicals on May 5th

These sports physicals are for all BK and TVCS student athletes. All middle school athletes are invited to get their TVCS Sports Physical done at this event! TVCS student athletes are required to have one physical on file for participation in TVCS sports, grades 6-8.

Physical Exams (From TVCS Handbook) - To participate in any junior high sport a student must have a physical exam on file with the athletic director prior to the first day of practice.

Students may have one physical exam during their sixth through eighth grade years.

****COME 10 MINUTES BEFORE APPT TIME****

Fee is just \$25.00 per student. (Checks payable to BKHS)

No Boy Scout/Camp physicals will be performed at this event.

All proceeds go to B.K. Sports Medicine for supplies, equipment and services which provide assessment, treatment and support for all athletes here at BK.

Students with appointments will receive priority. Walk-ins are welcome.

Questions? Call Samantha Pasley at 208-830-7180 or email spasley@bk.org.

Preschool Happenings



We have been learning about Lent and the Stations of the cross. We have been making our own Stations of the Cross book. We were fortunate to attend the Living Stations which helped us further visualize and personalize Jesus's great sacrifice for us. The kids loved seeing our eighth graders' in this reenactment.



Church Connection

If you would like to receive the Parish Newsletter
text [BOISESTMARKSNEWS to 42828](tel:42828) to sign up

OR

[Click here](#) to sign up for Parish Newsletter

[Click here to upload the Parish Bulletin for April 21](#)

Come Home



Catholics Returning Home

Beginning April 30th at 6:30pm
(for six weeks)

For more information contact:
jdickson20@hotmail.com or
call Audrey, 208-375-6651

FEAST OF ST. MARK



Let's celebrate our patron saint!

Annual Feast of St. Mark, April 28th

- International Rosary at 10:30am in the Church
- Pot Luck luncheon following the 11am Mass in Donoghue Hall

Please bring a dish to share which represents your heritage

Games for the kids! Fun and fellowship for all!

Notes from the Nurse

Week of the Young Child Celebration - Music and Fun!!
Idaho Botanical Garden



WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD CELEBRATION MUSIC & FUN

Idaho Botanical Garden | Saturday, April 20,
11 am - 3 pm

Join us for a family-friendly outdoor celebration! This FREE event focuses on connecting you with quality community resources for young children. Enjoy live music and performances on our celebration stage.

Community Resources

Learn about early literacy, summer camps, fire safety, child care, healthy eating and much more!

Activities

Try new gymnastics moves, learn how to cast a fishing line, play musical instruments and much more!



FREE Family Admission

Week of the Young Child Celebration
Idaho Botanical Garden | 2355 Old Penitentiary Rd
Saturday, April 20 | 11 am - 3 pm

Linda Miller, RN
Saint Alphonsus School Health Program

Through the St. Alphonsus School Health Program, Mrs. Miller, our school nurse, is at St. Mark's on Thursdays and Mrs. Placido, CNA, SASHP Assistant is here on Tuesdays.

This weekend it is time for family dinners, Mass with the whole family, a celebration that we are so loved by God starting with Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter celebrations. This would be a good weekend to talk about service to others. Just like you serve your parents and care for them as they age, your children can start serving you. Let them help around the house getting ready for Easter. They can gather laundry that needs to be washed, sweep the floor, vacuum, set the table; help cook some of the items for dinner, color the Easter eggs, clear the table, help wash the dishes, and clean up after the relatives go home. This is modeled by Jesus in the washing of the feet at the last supper. This is part of caring for each other. It is a good idea to start talking with the children about how “We love each other and we help each other because we are a family.” It is not about threats or promises of treats, it is about how families love each other and that is why they help each other. The preparation for Easter is a chance for children to practice the loving service along with mom and dad. Part of serving is prayer for others. Children can be educated to pray with the family the Divine Mercy Novena. This “Good Friday” is a time to begin the Divine Mercy Novena so that you are ready for next week and Divine Mercy Sunday. Check out this link: <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena.php> You may do this at a meal time or at prayers before bed as a family. It can become part of a routine that helps your children practice their faith.

Special notes for **Dads**: Did you know you are the priest of your family (your domestic church)? One way you can embrace your role as priest of your family is by blessing your children. This can be done each night before bed, once a week on Sunday, or whenever you want. To bless your child, trace the sign of the cross on his or her forehead (I dip my thumb in holy water first, but this isn’t necessary) and say the following:

“May almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you my child for time and eternity, and may this blessing remain forever with you.”

That’s it! It’s very simple, and if you do it frequently, your children will come to love and expect this simple ritual.

Joe Lipetzky Psy.D.

Ms. Jen Boehm. LCPC

Dr. Joe Lipetzky, our school psychologist, is at St. Mark’s on Monday and Friday mornings.

Mrs. Jen Boehm, our school counselor, is at St. Mark’s on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.