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<u>Letter from the Pastor</u> Dear Parents and Friends of St. Mark's,

We celebrated the St. Mark's 8th grade graduation at Mass on Wednesday and our Kindergartners will graduate next Wednesday. Congratulations, graduates!

As the year comes to a close, I realize we have much to reflect upon and even more to look forward to. Our facility revitalization is well under way, with pledges coming in and excitement building. Please join me Tuesday morning at 8:00am for a "Revitalization Ground Breaking Prayer Service." Let's gather together to lift the project, our contractor, and our community in prayer.

Please contact Amy Wong-Little to learn more about this phase of our parish school's path to revitalization and how to make your donation at:

alittle@stmarksboise.org or 208-375-6651.

May the light of Christ continue to shine into the future through our children.

Father Ben



<u>Letter from the Principal</u> Dear St. Mark's Families,

I'd like to congratulate our 8th-grade students who graduated on Wednesday during our school Mass. It was a beautiful ceremony that allowed for the entire school and parish community to participate and to witness the accomplishments of our senior students. Mrs. Souza and Ms. Enrico did a fantastic job planning the celebration and making the events leading up to graduation special. Thank you to Daniella Knell and all of the 7th-grade parents for hosting a lovely reception for our graduates following the ceremony. Many blessings to our graduates as they move on to high school; you will be missed.

It is hard to believe the school year is coming to a close. Next week, we will return on Tuesday for Field Day, our kindergarteners will graduate on Wednesday, we will have our last Mass together on Thursday and dismiss for the summer at 11:00 am. Please join us for this special Mass. We will reflect on the year, and the students will "move up" to the next grade level.

I would like to invite everyone to a special morning prayer service on Tuesday morning. We will have a "ribbon-cutting" ceremony and blessing to kick-

off our summer revitalization project.

I would like to thank everyone who has already pledged to the project, and ask everyone for their prayers as we embark on this journey. The response to the pledge had been remarkable, and we are getting closer to matching the amount donated by a very generous parish family. If you are unable to pledge financially to this project or would like to earn volunteer hours, we have a Sign Up Genius to help us with the big move next week. Thank you so much for your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

Have a blessed weekend as we remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we enjoy every day.

Donna Gordon

Student Spotlight





Jesse Andrews and her dad John ran a 5K in the Great Idaho Potato Marathon on Saturday. RaAnna Rivas, St. Mark's & BK Graduate and daughter of Mrs. Rivas, ran a 10K in the same race.



SAINT MARK'S

Lion Pride Recognition

Congratulations to this week's winners:

Delia Dethman (2), Adabelle Hauck (2), Maitane Lete, Kailyssa Caudle, Alyssah Eckhardt, Rose Fulford, Mary Hankel, Julia Baerlocher, Rowan Henderson, CJ Stoker, Jack Mullin, Lillian Brady, Jasper Cafferty, Ellie Fitzer, Ashley Hall, Anna Stroschein, Abigail Bibbens, Ethan Lipetzky, TJ Cox (2), Cooper Chapman, Simon Wolbach

Weekly Calendar

Monday, May 27
Memorial Day - No School

Tuesday, May 28 Field Day

Wednesday, May 29
No Student Body Mass
Kindergarten Graduation

Thursday, May 30

8:30 a.m. Students Body Mass presented by Kindergarten (Ascension of Jesus)

11:00 a.m. Dismissal - Last Day of School

Upcoming Events

First day of school for Grades 1-8 for the 2019-2020 school year is Monday, August 19, which will be a Noon Dismissal. Preschool and Kindergarten will begin on Wednesday, August 21 with a Noon Dismissal for only those two grades.

Home and School



Uniform Exchange

Date: Aug 10, 2019

Time: 8:00AM-12:00PM

Location: St. Mark's Church
Due to construction at the School

Exchanges will take place from 8-10 am only!
During this time you are able to exchange out
like clothes for like clothes. ie: Pants for pants,
shorts for shorts, like top for like top etc... We will
not be accepting clothing with holes, fading
etc..

Tops: \$2

Bottoms: \$4

Skirts: \$10

Jumpers: \$15

QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT:

Jeanine Sauerwein: 208-870-6803

Jody Kelsch: 208-866-6747



The Dinner Auction Chairs are looking for kids Halloween costumes that are circus related. They are needed for the photo op and can be returned to owners when the project is finished. If you have a costume that can be used, please email StMarksSchoolAuction@gmail.com.

Would you like your child's picture to be featured on the invitation for this year's upcoming auction? We are looking for a few students from each grade. If so, please email Laura Anderson at laura@A4Idaho.com for more information by May 15.

The 2019 Dinner Auction Committee now has a link to sign up to volunteer. Click

on here to get an early start on next year's volunteering.









St. Mark's Boise FUNDays!

\$2.00 from every ticket sold goes to your school! \$22.99+tax Full Day Admission (\$9.00 off)

Tickets are valid from May 11-July 4, 2019
After July 4th, tickets are still valid with a \$5.00+tax upgrade at the ticket booth

Optional lunch for just \$6.99 each Your choice of a cheeseburger, popcorn chicken, taco, pizza, hot dog, sub sandwich, or garden salad meal

Buy tickets online at www.roaringsprings.com
Click the "Groups" tab at the top of the page and then the "School Fun Days" tab. Click BUY NOW! and log in using the following information:

Group Name: STMARKS and Password: FUNDAY2019

NOTICE: School FUNDays tickets are for the private, exclusive use of a school and its families.

The user name and password are NOT TO BE SHARED with anyone who does not attend the school.

Posting the user name and password to any form of social media is STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

We will immediately revoke your school's FUNDay ticket privileges if the user name and password are shared outside of your school.

No outside food, drink, or glass items allowed into the park.

I-84, Meridian exit www.roaringsprings.com (208) 884-8842

Volunteer Opportunities

The BIG MOVE is coming and we need large numbers of volunteers to help clear out classrooms and move boxes for our Revitalization project this summer. The move starts on Friday, May 31 through June 3.

Click on this link to volunteer



VOUR TIME. We are extending the deadline for the 2018-2019 Volunteers Hours to the end of this project or if your 24 hours are completed, you can use your time volunteered toward your 2019-2020 hours.

Lunch Room Volunteers

NEXT WEEK'S LUNCH HELPERS

Tuesday (28) FIELD DAY SACK LUNCH—Schwehr, Irvine

Wednesday (29)—LaMott, Schindele

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

Congratulations to our 8th Grade Graduates



The following 8th Grade families have graduated their last child from St. Mark's School: Blue, Chatteron (3 graduates from St. Mark's), Claiborne, Collins, Connor (2 graduates from St. Mark's), Irby, Kelly, McCarthy (2 graduates from St. Mark's), Negus (2 graduates from St. Mark's), Newman (3 graduates from St. Mark's), Nichols, Pearson, Pham (2 graduates from St. Mark's), Ray, Rossi (2 graduates from St. Mark's), Schuette (2 graduates from St. Mark's), Smith (2 graduates from St. Mark's), Walsh (moving to Minnesota). We will miss you! Don't forget your roots and please stop by to say hello before you graduate from high school.



A couple weeks ago in Mrs. Schuette's class, the 8th graders were talking about their kindergarten Dinner Auction picture with the cookie jar and Mrs. Schuette told the kids that she was the one who bought it at the auction. The 8th graders said "we have to recreate it with everyone who is still at St. Mark's", so the 8th graders trekked down to Mrs. Jensen's room and had fun recreating it!



Summer Skills books are available for purchase online at their website www.summerskills.com. Since this is a review to keep your child's skills sharp, remember to order the grade level that they just completed. Research shows that students lose 2.6 months of reading and

math progress over the summer. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT STUDENT'S DO DAILY READING and practice other skills during the summer, so please make sure to work on one of the many summer programs during break.

Summer Office hours are 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. from June 3-7 and beginning again on Tuesday, August 13. If you have a payment during summer, please mail it to 7503 W. Northview St., Boise, ID 83704

Automatic tuition payments for the school year 2019-2020 will begin in August and will be withdrawn from your account on either 5th or 20th of the month, whichever you marked on your paperwork.

We will be emailing the Summer Mailing this year. Watch for the email coming out the end of June.



Congratulations to this week's Knight of the Week! Dominique Domingo (St. Mark's Graduate and current BK senior) - Community

It is inspiring to know that a student, like Dominique, has a real passion for medicine. She worked at a university research center, as a summer intern, researching different methods to treat cancer. Her research team was presented with an award over Spring Break. Dominique is a special young lady that strives to make the world a better place. Thank you Dominique!

Field Day Schedule for Tuesday, May 28

K-3 plays from 9:00-11:00 am 4-7 plays from 12:30-2:30 pm

Kindergarten Graduation will be held on Wednesday, May 29 at Fairmont Park or Donoghue Hall (in case of inclement weather). Kindergarten students will walk to the park at 9:30 a.m., the graduation ceremony will take place at 10:30 a.m. and students will leave for the day with their parents at 11:00 a.m. They will return on Thursday, May 30 at 8:00 a.m. for the final day of school.



Our students put together Jared boxes this week for children in hospitals. This is the project that we collected items for during our Lenten Retreat.

TVCS Cross Country

Do you have a student who is interested in running for the TVCS cross-country team for the 2019 season? Will they be a 6th, 7th or 8th grader during the 2019-2020 school year? Then this is for you!

Fall sports come up quickly once the back-to-school season arrives, so we want you to have as much information as possible now so you can be prepared come August. Official practices will not start until August, but Coach Shea will be offering optional, informal practices over the summer to help students get to know one another and get in shape for the fall cross-country season. If your student is interested in joining the cross-country team, please contact Coach Alicia Shea, ashea@stignatiusmeridian.org, for more information.

TREASURE VALLEY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

BLACK KNIGHTS FOOTBALL

PRE-REGISTRATION FOR THE UPCOMING FALL 2019 SEASON

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29TH 6:00PM - 7:00PM BISHOP KELLY, CARLEY CENTER FOYER

Parents of incoming 8th grade students interested in participating in the upcoming Fall 2019 football season, you can turn in your TVCS pre-registration paperwork and fee to me at the location and time above.

At 6:00, there will be a short discussion to answer any questions and provide some details about the upcoming season. Please plan to provide me with your contact information, and I will also hand out a schedule of upcoming dates

What to Bring:

- Completed TVCS Registration Form
- Physical Exam Form If your son has previously participated in a TVCS activity, you do not need to provide
 a copy of his physical, as the Athletic Director will already have it on file.
- Concussion Acknowledgement Form.
- · Participation fee in the amount of \$95.00 made payable to TVCS Athletics
- All forms can be downloaded from the following link: https://sites.google.com/a/sacredheartboise.com/tvcs-athletics-treasure-valley-catholic-schools/home/administration-registration

Contact Information:

Lee Lizama, Head Coach 208-571-3553 email: <u>leelizama1@gmail.com</u>

Brock Carpenter, Athletic Director bcarpenter@sacredheartboise.com

Angela Calovich, Asst. Athletic Director acalovich@sacredheartboise.com

If you need to reach out to me prior to next Wednesday or any other time feel free to do so. Thank you, and Go Black Knights!

Lee Lizama Head Coach, TVCS Black Knights

Cross Country Summer Athlete/Parent Meeting

Attention all parents of Bishop Kelly students interested in running Cross Country this fall: We will be having our Kick-Off summer training meeting on **Tuesday May 28th @ 6pm** in the library for all athletes and parents.



Please spread the word!

Yearbook Distribution Day!

Bishop Kelly Summer Camps keep kids active and engaged!

BAND, BASKETBALL, BASEBALL
FOOTBALL, SOCCER
SOFTBALL, SCIENCE & TECH
VOLLEYBALL, WRESTLING

Register Today at www.bkathletics.org/summercamp

Bishop Kelly Girls Lacrosse Camp 2019 Summer Camp Registration

Knights Individual Skills Camp
Players from: 9th-12th Grade

Dates: June 17th-19th Time: 8:30-12:00 pm

Location: Bishop Kelly High School Lacrosse Field 7009 Franklin Road Boise, ID 83709

Cost: \$100

Equipment Needed: Stick, cleats, goggles and mouth guard

Bishop Kelly Girls Youth Lacrosse Camp

2019 Summer Camp Registration Knights Individual Skills Camp Players from: 5th-8th Grade

Dates: June 20th-21st Time: 8:30-12:00 pm

Location: Bishop Kelly High School Lacrosse Field

7009 Franklin Road Boise, ID 83709 Cost: \$85

Equipment Needed: Stick, cleats, goggles and mouth guard



Church Connection

If you would like to receive the Parish Newsletter text BOISESTMARKSNEWS to 42828 to sign up

OR

Click here to sign up for Parish Newsletter

Click here to upload the Parish Bulletin for May 26

Mass on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27th will be at 9:00am.

Our Diocese will celebrate the Ordination to the Priesthood of Deacor John Mosier, June 6th at 11:00am at the cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, 807 N. 8th St., Boise, ID 83702.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. Two of our good and faithful servants have gone home to enjoy their Master's Joy. (Mat 25:23)



Deacon Ralph Pierce passed away May 16th. St. Mark's is honored to host his funeral services: Vigil: May 31st at 7:00pm, Funeral Mass: June 1st, 11:00am



Deacon Jim Bowen passed on May 20th. His funeral services are still pending final arrangements.

Deacon Ralph and Deacon Jim offered a lifetime of service to our community. Please let us join one another in prayer for the Pierce and Bowen families, and for the repose of the souls of these disciples in Christ.

LADIES OF THE PARISH

HELP WANTED!

Want to get acquainted with other ladies of the parish who might not attend the same Mass you do? Come join St. Mark's Annual Rummage Sale Crew. (July 7th thru July 13th – Donoghue Hall). We have several 4 hour shifts that might fit your schedule. Some are sit-down jobs that are less strenuous

Special bonus for our workers only is the Thursday Presale Party Night.

We particularly need families with older kids (Jr Hi and up) for Set Up Night

Sunday July 7th 4pm and after 5pm Mass and Cleanup: July 13th 1:30pm.

Call Dee Becker: 208-375-9131 or Andrea Dunlap: 208-871-3896

Notes from the Nurse

Hope you all have a healthy, happy summer.

PLEASE remember if you have **MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL** (epi pens, benedryl, inhalers, ADHD medication etc), please stop and pick them up the last day of school. They will not be saved over the summer.



Please check your child's(children's immunization status over the summer. We are including a link for the the School Immunization Requirements to compare to your records.

<u>http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Portals/0/Health/Idaho%20lmmunizations/Scho</u> ols/201819GuideSchool%20lmmunization%20ReguirementsFinal.pdf

Summer is a great time to make some "summer health resolutions"; Some examples could be grow your own veggies, try a new healthy food alternative each week, start a summer journal or join a book club, practice random acts of kindness, have fun, laugh often and remember "Laughter is the best medicine"!

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.

Notes from the Counselor

HELP! HOW CAN I KEEP MY CHILD ACADEMICALLY READY DURING SUMMER BREAK?

Usually, most students abandon any activities that resemble reading, writing or any other academic curriculum which can leave parents a little anxious. After nine months of school, every child (and every educator) looks forward to having several weeks off for some fun in the summer sun. However, you can make this summer a fun and fantastic learning adventure by getting a jump start mastering academic skills that will be taught in their next grade level.

Below are 5 tips on how you can help your child stay academically ready during their summer break.

- · Contact your child's teacher before school ends to discuss what skills they need to work on: This will give you a clear picture of your child's strengths and areas of growth.
- · Allow your child to "C" themselves where they want to be academically: Encourage your child to "C" their academic future by Creating a learning schedule, being Consistent in sticking to the schedule, by Connecting with other students who are on similar academic paths and by understanding that there are Consequences for not being responsible academically.
- · Help your child set S.M.A.R.T. summer academic learning goals: Set some academic goals for your child to work on this summer. But make certain that the goals are Specific Measurable Attainable- Realistic- Timely. However, don't just set goals. But provide the resources and guidance to ensure that your child is actively pursuing their goals.
- · Make summer learning a family affair: Schedule family daily reading times or have a family book club for the summer. Work on math activities together. Develop a family writing project. When your child sees that everyone in the family is serious about academics, then they will become serious too.

The above 5 tips will help you to create a summer break for your child that is not only fun but one that allows them to remain in a state of academic readiness.

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.