



# THE ST. MARY'S MESSENGER

## St. Mary's Christian School

*A mission of St. Mary's Episcopal Church*

### March 2010

- 11 Student Banking Day
- 15-19 Spirit Week
- 18 Fashion Show @6 (new date)
- 19 School Birthday Celebration  
half day, dismissal @12pm  
**No PM Extended Care**
- 26 Free Dress Day

### April 2010

- 2 Good Friday, half day, dismissal @12pm
- 5-9 Easter Break, School closed
- 13 3rd quarter grading period ends
- 16 Parent Conference (optional), School closed
- 21 Easter Concert @5:30
- 30 Free Dress Day

### March's Character Trait: FAITH

#### Definition:

Confidence or trust in a person. Belief in religious doctrines and teachings. Belief in God and His promise.

#### Scripture Memory Verse:

*"Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being certain of what we do not see."*

*Hebrew 11:1(NIRV)*

### Message from our Principal...

Dear Families,

Can you believe it, this is MARCH! As we have just completed the first two weeks of Lent, I continue to be in awe of your children and their teachers. St. Mary's Christian School is an awesome place for 'learning to love and loving to learn'. Thank you for allowing us the privilege to help in your child's academic and Christian formation.

We are preparing for next year. Hopefully, we are in your plans as well. I realize that each child is unique and special. As parents, we continually scrutinize the school environment to insure that it is indeed the best place for one's child. I always respect and appreciate your right and responsibility to choose wisely for your child and family. Please let us know how we can help in your decision-making process.

On Monday, March 8, enclosed in your student's file (Narthex table near the sign in sheets) will be a written protocol of what is necessary to enroll and officially register for the new school year.

#### I want to highlight some important considerations:

- the tuition is substantially lower (the green brochure with a description of all offerings and the new changes will be placed in your child's file as well); this is in response to the local market and overall economy;
- Spanish will be included in the curriculum for all programs; including the *Little Angels*;
- American Sign Language (ASL) will continue and all programs will be included;
- anticipated increased school-wide enrollment will allow us funding to expand the music program;
- and, already planned, the M2/3 will matriculate into M3/4 or M3/4/5 with Ms. Quail as the teacher; (An M4/5 class is also on the horizon if numbers support this level of programming).

Accurately forecasting the overall enrollment is the key to the planning process. We are truly excited about the possibilities for next year.

I also want to thank you for networking. You continue to spread the good news about St. Mary's Christian School. Your marketing of the school makes all of the difference.

I encourage you to direct questions to me or other staff members as you continue to make plans for next year.

I would also kindly ask you to please be mindful of our deadlines for enrolling your child or children for next year. This allows us to make the best program and staffing decisions possible in preparation for the New Year.

Thank you for all you have done and continue doing in supporting and developing the Mission of St. Mary's Christian School.

God Bless,  
Glen, Principal

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### **Military Families**

Please keep the following military parents in your prayers:

<i>Cory Brooking</i>	<i>David Glaser</i>	<i>David Nguyen</i>
<i>Heather Burgess</i>	<i>Wayne Harsha</i>	<i>Linwood Pierce</i>
<i>Todd Burgess</i>	<i>Richard Heyward</i>	<i>Burton Shields</i>
<i>Jeffrey Daley</i>	<i>Chase Martin</i>	<i>Chris Staley (deployed)</i>
<i>Brian Gardner</i>	<i>Dana Munari</i>	

If we have overlooked anyone, please contact the office.

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### **Good Friday**

School will be dismissed at 12pm on Friday, April 2 for Good Friday. School will be closed during Easter Break April 5 - April 9. School will resume on Monday, April 12.

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### **Fashion Show**

St. Mary's Christian School will have our Annual Fashion Show on Thursday, March 18, 2010 at 6pm. This is a free event and dinner will be provided. Children can model casual, sports wear and dress up clothing (two of their choice). Watch for upcoming flyer!

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### **Illnesses**

To prevent the spread of **colds**, please do not send your child to school sick (cough, fever). Students who come to the office will be screened for a fever, and generalized symptoms before we attempt to reach a parent. Remember, your student must be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school.

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### **Message From The Office....**

- ⇒ Do not forget to set your clocks ahead one hour for Day Light Savings on Sunday, March 14th.
  - ⇒ Our collection of lost and found articles is continuing to grow. Please put your child's name on the labels of coats, sweaters and sweatshirts, so we can get items back to you quickly. If your child is missing an item of clothing, please stop by the office and look through the lost and found.
  - ⇒ Thanks for signing your child in and out daily.
  - ⇒ Please notify the office if your child will be absent from school.
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### **March Birthdays**

5	Mrs. Barrie Smith
6	Phoenix Russell Amelie Smolko
13	Ethan Vlad
17	Angelica Cameron

