



St. Mary Catholic Schools  
Grades P3-12

A Community Inspiring Success

*Preparing and inspiring students to lead meaningful lives,  
rooted in the teachings of Christ in our Catholic tradition.*

**March 11, 2020**

"I have found the paradox, that if you love until it hurts, there can be no more hurt, only more love." ***St. Teresa of Calcutta***

## Coronavirus

The US Centers for Disease Control (CDC) is recommending Americans prepare for the possible spread of the Coronavirus, now called COVID-19. We have formed a steering committee to plan and respond to emerging communicable disease concerns following the guidance of the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) and CDC recommendations.

The situation with COVID-19 is changing rapidly. The following are factual and reliable sources of information:

- CDC <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/index.html>
- DHS <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/outbreaks/index.htm>
- DPI <https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/2019-novel-coronavirus>

Some quick take aways:

- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Do not bring your sick child to school.
- Avoid close contact with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms.

We will continue to be transparent and share relevant updates related to COVID-19 with you.

## Big Fish

SMCHS is pleased to announce the spring musical.

Wednesday, March 11 at 7:00 p.m.      Saturday, March 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 12 at 7:00 p.m.      Sunday, March 15 at 2:00 p.m.

Friday, March 13 at 7:00 p.m.

Based on the celebrated novel by Daniel Wallace and the acclaimed film directed by Tim Burton, BIG FISH tells the story of Edward Bloom, a traveling salesman who

lives life to its fullest...and then some! Edward's incredible, larger-than-life stories thrill everyone around him-most of all, his devoted wife Sandra. But their son Will, about to have a child of his own, is determined to find the truth behind his father's epic tales. Overflowing with heart and humor, BIG FISH is an extraordinary musical that reminds us why we love going to the theatre-for an experience that's richer, funnier and bigger than life itself.

[Order Tickets](#)

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## STEM Saturday

Learn through demonstrations and hands-on STEM activities for all ages at this free [community event](#) on Saturday, March 21 at SMCMS.

**9:00 a.m.** Metallurgical Mayhem Presentation by DePere Foundry

**9:40-11:30 a.m.** STEM Stations, Miracles of Magnetism and Electricity, Women and Technology, Amcor, Wonder Robots, Little Bits, Cre8lab, Boys' and Girls' Brigade

**11:30 a.m.** Backyard Smelter Demonstration by Isaac Pifer

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## Connected Discipline Event

The SMCS pupil services team is hosting a Connected Discipline event at St. Mary Elementary on Tuesday March 17 from 5:00 - 6:30 pm. This event is family friendly and starts with light appetizers at 5:00 p.m. followed by a presentation by Kristy Hutchinson (music teacher) and Diane Patterson (retired special education teacher) for parents on "practical applications for self-regulation strategies to help children handle their upset" and supervised heart healthy activities for the children.

[RSVP](#)

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## Summer Opportunities

Go to our [site](#) for more details and registration links.

### Day Camp

SMCS Summer Day Camp is our faith-based program for children entering grades preschool-6. A variety of scheduling options are offered to provide families the flexibility to meet their individual needs. Children participate in field trips, arts and crafts, drama, music, sports, picnics, world language and many more activities linked to age-appropriate faith development. Enthusiastic teachers lead the children in a variety of activities and explorations.

### Athletic Camps

Tennis

When: June 15 - June 18

Who: Boys and girls entering grades 2-5: 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Boys and girls entering grades 6-9: 12:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Girls Volleyball

When: July 21 - July 23

Who: Girls entering grades 4-6: 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Girls entering grades 7-8: 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

### Boys Basketball

When: June 15 - June 18

Who: Boys entering grades 4-6: 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Boys entering grades 7-9: 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

### Girls Basketball

When: June 22 - June 25, 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Who: Girls entering grades 4-8

### Football

When: August 1

Who: Boys and girls entering grades 1-5: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Boys and girls entering grades 6-8: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

### **Camp Invention**

What: Camp Invention is a high-energy, hands-on STEM camp.

When: June 15-19

Who: Grades K-6, Grades 7-9 can attend as leaders in training, Grade 10 can apply as leadership interns

### **STEM Club Fly IN**

What: Fourth aviation education event featuring a variety of fun hands-on and age-focused aviation-related activities

When: July 17

Who: Students entering grades 1-8

### **Band Camp**

What: Marching fundamentals, field marching basics, halftime field show, rehearsal of pep band music

When: August 10-14, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Who: strongly encouraged for all incoming band students in grades 9 -12

### **Zephyrs Community Theater**

What: The SMCS Fine Arts Program presents Peter Pan

When: Auditions: May 2, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Performances July 23 - 26

Who: Students, parents, faculty & staff, alumni and community members are all welcome. Actors, musicians, set builders and backstage helpers of are encouraged to get involved.

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## **SMCHS Blood Drive**

The SMCHS Key Club is hosting their last blood drive of the year on April 1 from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at SMCHS.

To participate, please call the school office at 920-722-7796 or the Community Blood Center at 800-280-4102, or visit [communityblood.org](http://communityblood.org) and click "Donate Blood."

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## **March Zephyrs Gold Winners**

Congratulations to Phil & Vicki Schmidt our March winners. Phil and Vicki are the recipients a pair of Viper kayaks and paddles!

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## SMCS Board of Trustees

Looking to share your skills? Consider joining the SMCS Board of Trustees (BOT). The BOT helps to enhance SMCS with leadership, guidance, decision-making, financial support and public relations. Each year we look for individuals with business, marketing, legal, human resources or financial backgrounds; but most importantly you must be ready to help our Catholic schools grow. We are seeking Catholic individuals who are alumni, parents, parish members or anyone with a connection to our school system. Trustees are elected to one three-year term of office and may serve a subsequent term.

Do you wish to be considered for the SMCS BOT? We are currently accepting candidates for consideration. Please contact Paul Seveska at [paulpsev@aol.com](mailto:paulpsev@aol.com) if you are interested.

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## Play Lab

All children ages 2-5 accompanied by an adult are encouraged to join us for these free hours of crafts, songs and story time. Contact [Kelly Beisenstein-Weiss](#) to register.

### Upcoming Times/Dates/Locations:

March 11	9:00 a.m.	St. Margaret Mary
March 18	9:00 a.m.	St. Mary
April 1	9:00 a.m.	St. Gabriel
April 8	9:00 a.m.	St. Margaret Mary
April 22	9:00 a.m.	St. Mary
May 6	9:00 a.m.	St. Gabriel
May 13	9:00 a.m.	St. Margaret Mary

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## Greater Zephyrs Open

Please [reserve](#) Friday, June 10 to attend the 2020 Greater Zephyrs Open!

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## Parish Connection

**St. Patrick's:** [Fish Fry Menu](#), [Cel O'Bratton](#)

**St. Margaret Mary:** [Lenten Opportunities](#), [Rise Against Hunger](#), [TMIY](#), [PB & J Collection](#)

**St. Gabriel:** [Fish Fry](#)

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## In the Community

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*Mary, our Patron and Mother of us ALL....Pray for us!!  
Live Jesus in our Hearts Forever!!*

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