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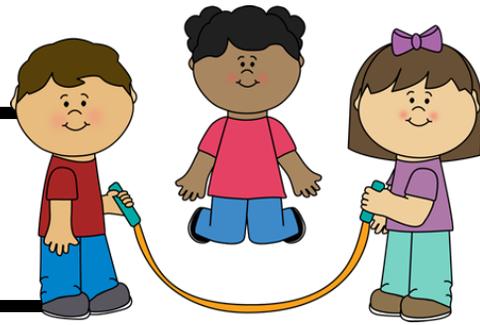
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# August

St. Mary's School  
Fourth Grade  
Sept. 1-5, 2025



Dear Parents,

We made edible cells in science this week using sugar cookies and several different candies. Science is fun!

Have a wonderful 3 day weekend!

Sincerely, Karen

Our Week Ahead:

Religion – Parts of Mass

Reading – “Lewis and Clark and Me”, author’s purpose

Phonics – blends with s, r, l, and final blends

Math – relating multiplication and division

Test on Thursday

Science – eukaryotic and prokaryotic cells

Social Studies – lines of longitude and latitude

Spelling – test on Friday



Important Dates:

Sept 1 – No School – Labor Day

Sept. 5 – Spirit Wear, school bottoms and spirit shirt

Sept. 18 – Grandparent’s Day Mass

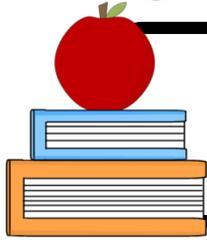
Sept. 20 – Rockets Foundation Golf Scramble 1:00 p.m.

Birthdays

Happy birthday to Theo on August 31<sup>st</sup>!



# September



St. Mary's School  
Fourth Grade  
Sept. 22-26, 2025



Dear Parents,

We will begin Iowa Basic State Testing on Monday. If anyone would like to send in snacks, the students would greatly appreciate it. We will only test in the morning. It will be helpful to your child if he/she eats a good breakfast each day.

Have a great weekend.

Sincerely, Karen

Our Week Ahead:

Religion – Unit 2 test on Wednesday

Reading – “The One and Only Ivan” novel study

Phonics – “k” sounds

English – singular and plural possessive nouns



Math – addition

Science – conducting a one variable experiment

Social Studies – Illinois

History test Sept. 30, notes sent today

Spelling – no test Friday

Important Dates:

Sept. 19 – midterm reports go home

Sept 20 – Rockets Foundation Golf Scramble 1:00 P.M

Sept. 24 – Picture Day

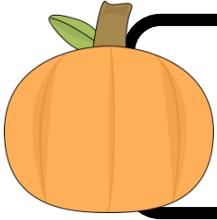
Sept. 26 – 1:00 Dismissal, no Aftercare

Servers for this week are:

Sept. 23 – Enzo and Harper

Sept. 25 – August and Drew

# October



St. Mary's School  
Fourth Grade  
Oct. 27-31, 2025



Dear Parents,

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the upcoming conferences.

The Beall Wood's trip has been rescheduled for Oct. 22. The children can wear free dress, Hot dog, chips, cookie and water are provided.

Sincerely, Karen

Our Week Ahead:

Religion – All Saint's Day  
and All Soul's Day

Reading – "The Witches",  
novel study

Phonics – suffixes with  
spelling changes

English – spelling past  
tense and future tense

verbs

Math – two digit times 1  
digit

Science –

Social Studies – Northeast  
states/capital test, Nov. 4

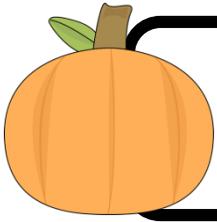
Spelling – test on Thursday



Important Dates:

Oct. 30 - Trunk or Treat 2:00 p.m. The children may wear costumes. No scary outfits. No masks.. Costumes should be something your child will be comfortable wearing all day.

# October



St. Mary's School  
Fourth Grade  
, 2025



Dear Parents,

I enjoyed talking to everyone at the conferences. Thank you for coming.

If you ordered from the fundraiser, pick up is Oct. 27 at 2:00. All items not picked up by 3:30 will be stored in the Parish Center. If your child is in aftercare or you need a different time, please email Mikayla to be able to pick up your items.

Have a great weekend.

Sincerely, Karen

Our Week Ahead:

Religion – All Saint's Day  
and All Soul's Day

Reading – "The Witches"  
novel study

Phonics – suffixes with  
spelling changes

English – past tense and  
future tense verbs

Math – multiplication: one  
and two digit times one digit

Science – test on  
Wednesday

Social Studies – Northeast  
states/capitals Nov. 4

Spelling – no test this week



Important Dates:

Oct. 28 – Fourth grade has Mass parts

Oct. 30- Trunk or Treat 2:00 p.m. , small party in the morning

Oct. 31 – No School

Nov. 17 - Midterm

Nov. 25 – 1:00 dismissal

The children may wear costumes. No scary outfits. No masks..  
Costumes should be something your child will be comfortable  
wearing all day.

# November



St. Mary's School  
Fourth Grade  
Nov. 17-21, 2025

Dear Parents,

How is your child doing on the biography project? Your child can fill in facts on the yellow sheet as he/she reads the book. The sentences need to be complete with capitals and periods. There will be a grade on the yellow sheet and on the AR test.

Have a great weekend.

Sincerely, Karen

Our Week Ahead:

Religion – finish test on Monday, then gratitude

Reading – “Horse Heroes”, fact/opinion

Phonics – vowel pairs

English – adjectives

Math – 2 digit x 2 digit

Science – test on Wed.,  
Google slides due by Friday

Social Studies – Illinois

History, test on Tuesday,  
notes sent last Friday.

Spelling – test on  
Friday



Important Dates:

Nov. 17 - Midterm

Nov. 25 – 1:00 dismissal

Nov. 25 – Fourth grade will have the Mass ministries

Nov. 26-28 – Thanksgiving Break

The past week, students have been learning to make slides in Google and type their compare/contrast paper in the correct form. Whew! We will be learning typing skills.

# December



St. Mary's School  
Fourth Grade  
Dec. 15-19, 2025



Dear Parents,

I hope you had a wonderful Christmas. Thanks to all who helped and supplied things for our Christmas Party. The kids loved all of it.

Now on to the second semester. Remember that 7 AR points will be required for the third quarter.

Have great week.

Sincerely, Karen

**Our Week Ahead:**

Religion – 10

Commandments

Reading – “Adelina’s

Whales”, fact/opinion

Phonics – vowel digraphs

English - adverbs

Math – division with remainders

Science – human body

Social Studies – Civil War

Spelling – test on Friday



**Important Dates:**

Jan. 15 – No School – Martin Luther King, Jr.

Jan. 26-30 - Catholic School's Week

# January



St. Mary's School  
Fourth Grade  
Jan. 26-30, 2026



Dear Parents,

Please encourage your child to read home. Midterm is February 4<sup>th</sup>. The students need 3.5 points at that time. Each child knows how many points he/she up to this point.

Our class color for Wednesday is blue.

Have a great week.

Sincerely, Karen

Our Week Ahead:

Religion – Catholic

Schools Week activities

Reading - “Case of the Gaspin Garbage”,  
compare/contrast

Phonics - plurals

English – quotation mark,  
test on Thursday

Math – more long division

Social Studies – finish Civil

War study, Midwest states

Spelling – test on Friday



**Important Dates:**

Jan. 26-30 – Catholic School's Week – Calendar sent yesterday

Feb. 12- Dismiss at 12:00

Feb. 16 – No school – President's Day

Feb. 18 – Ash Wednesday Mass

A flyer was sent home about the 8<sup>th</sup> graders selling carnations or candy for Valentine's Day as a fundraiser. Carnations are \$5 and a candy is \$2. Give someone a special treat for Valentine's Day!

# February



St. Mary's School  
Fourth Grade  
Feb. 23-27, 2026

Dear Parents,

There are two and a half weeks left in the quarter. Check with your child on his/her AR points. They are due on March 11. This is a grade.

Have a great weekend. Sincerely, Karen

Our Week Ahead:

Religion - Lent, quiz  
Thursday

Reading – “Tales of a  
Fourth Grade Nothing”  
novel study

Phonics – plurals

English - pronouns

Math – equivalent  
fractions

Science – symbiotic  
relationships, test Thursday  
Social Studies – Midwest  
states, test March 20,  
information sent today  
Spelling – test on Friday



Important Dates:

Feb. 28 – 5K and Fun run

Mar. 11 – End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

Mar.21 – An Evening in Tuscany

Mar. 26 – Spring Break begins

Do you have your tickets for An Evening in Tuscany? It will be a fun evening and it really helps our school.

# March



St. Mary's School  
Fourth Grade  
March 2-6



Dear Parents,

March is almost here and Daylight Savings Time is March 8. Yay for more sun!

Just a reminder that toys from home are not allowed at school or aftercare.

Have a great weekend.

Sincerely, Karen

Our Week Ahead:

Religion –Hallow – Miracle Hunter, Lent

Reading “Smokejumpers”, author’s purpose

Phonics –prefixes

English - pronouns

Math – comparing and ordering fractions,

possible test Thursday

Science – Inherited and learned behaviors of animals

Social Studies – Midwest states

Spelling – test on Friday



**Important Dates:**

Feb. 28 – 5K and Fun Run

Mar. 11 – End of Third Quarter, AR points due

Mar. 21 – An Evening in Tuscany

Mar.26 – 1:00 dismissal, Spring Break, .

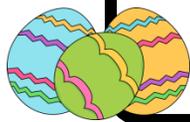
**Birthdays**

Hazel Drone March 31



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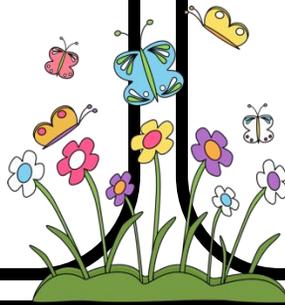
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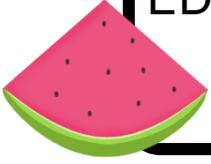
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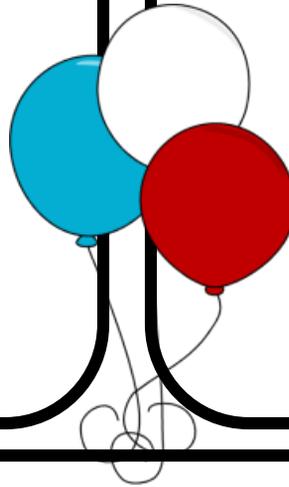
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