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Wednesday e-Folder

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May—The Month of Mary

As a Catholic community, the entire month of May offers a special time in which to offer our devotions to Mary, the Mother of God. May, when the landscape of our life blooms in springtime beauty, serves as an ideal time for our prayers to be directed towards the Queen of Heaven and Earth. Thus, as a Catholic community, we use the thirty-one days of this month to honor the unique role that Our Lady plays in our lives.

During May, both at school and at home, we encourage our children to show special devotion to Mary through a daily recitation of the Rosary or keeping fresh flowers before an image of the Blessed Mother.

Pope Paul VI wrote how we use May to honor Mary in a special way:

“For this is the month during which Christians, in their churches and their homes, offer the Virgin Mother more fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration; and it is the month in which a greater abundance of God’s merciful gifts comes down to us from our Mother’s throne.”

<https://www.catholiccompany.com/getfed/celebrate-may-month-of-mary/>

Quote of the Week

“Let us live as the Blessed Virgin lived: loving God only, desiring God only, trying to please God only in all that we do.”

St. John Vianney



Pre-K 3 , Pre-K 4 and 8th Grade Prayer Partners offer “Care for God’s Creation”

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Things You Need to KNOW:

Trimester 3 Interim Reports

Today your 1st—8th grade student was sent home with a copy of their Interim Reports. And as a reminder, families are always invited to schedule a meeting with their child's teacher should you want to discuss your child's progress.

May Procession and Crowning

This Friday, May 4, our school community will formally begin its month long devotion to the Blessed Mother with the time honored Catholic tradition of the May Procession and Crowning of Mary. The procession will take place at 8:45am followed by the Mass and Crowning of Mary at 9:00am. On this day, everyone in the school will help to honor Mary in the following ways:

- Second Graders should wear their First Communion outfits if they received their First Communion or dress up in their Sunday Best.
- Eighth Graders should all be dressed in their Sunday Best.
- The rest of the students should wear their dress uniforms. For girls this means their skirts or jumpers. For boys this means pants. Older boys should wear ties.
- All students should bring a flower to honor Mary. These flowers will be collected during homeroom and gathered in vases to be placed around the statue of Mary during the ceremony.

Lastly, we invite all parents and family members to come and participate in Honoring Mary.

Professional Development Day, May 7—NO SCHOOL

As a reminder, there will be NO SCHOOL on Monday, May 7. The faculty and staff will be engaged in a professional development day.

New Uniform Items 20% Discount During May

Dennis Uniform, our sales provider, is offering St. Agnes families a 20% in-store discount coupon that can be used during the entire month of May. As each of you know, next year we are introducing a modification to our school dress code (save for the students in the Class of 2019 who are permitted to continue with the current dress code for their final year on campus). And as a way in which to provide some assistance during this transition, this special month long offer is being made available to the St. Agnes community. Please click [HERE](#) for a copy of the discount flyer.

BOOST Scholarship

As a reminder, the BOOST Program application deadline is May 21. Please click [HERE](#) for an informational flyer.

Things You Are Asked to DO:

H.S.A. Notes

- This Saturday, May 5, please join us for the *Cinco de Mayo Taco Night*. Please click [HERE](#) for an informational flyer/paper ticket order OR click [HERE](#) for our online ticket sales form.
- The end of the year general meeting is scheduled for this Tuesday, May 8 in the Parish Activity Center. The doors open up at 6:00pm with the Band Concert beginning at 6:15pm and the H.S.A. meeting will begin approximately 20 minutes after the start of the concert. Please note that the meeting event is intended for parents/grandparents only.
- Volunteer Opportunities: Please visit our [Volunteer Opportunities page](#) to sign up for the remaining opportunities for you to complete your required hours.
- IMPORTANT: A bill will be sent home for any unmet hours at a rate of \$20 per hour after that date. As stated in the Handbook, students will **NOT** receive report cards (or transcripts) if volunteer hours are not met.

St. Agnes Yearbook!

We are excited to share that St. Agnes would like to offer our families an opportunity to purchase a Pre-K 3 through 8th grade yearbook. This special memento, capturing the events and memories of the school year, may **only** be purchased online by clicking [HERE](#). The purchase price for this special 48 page soft-cover keepsake is only \$20! **The deadline to order a 2017-18 school yearbook is next Thursday, May 10.** And please note that yearbooks will be delivered to the school and sent home on or before June 8.

Online Spirit Wear Store

St. Agnes is now offering interested families the opportunity to show off their **BEAR NATION** pride by purchasing a number of attractive apparel items. Please click [HERE](#) for direct access to our online "Spirit Wear Store". Please make note that the final date to order any spirit wear is Monday, May 21st.

STEAM Summer Program

We are offering a special rate to St. Agnes school families and parishioners to enroll in our "Summer STEAM Program". Please click [HERE](#) to register your child for any of the seven themed weeks that we are offering this summer. **Please note that this special rate ends on May 24th.**

Canvas Catonsville with BEAR NATION Brochures

We are seeking a volunteer to fulfill some of their volunteer time by visiting various businesses and organizations around the area as a means in which to promote enrollment at St. Agnes School, our STEAM Summer Program, as well as other events, please contact Katie Wilder at kwilder@stagnesschool.net to volunteer.

Mark Your Calendar

May 4:	May Crowning Mass of the Blessed Mother Mary
May 4:	8th Grade Service Experience at MBK
May 5:	H.S.A. Cinco de Mayo Taco Night
May 7:	School Closed—Faculty Professional Day
May 8:	7th Grade Service Experience at MBK
May 16:	6th Grade Service Experience for Westside Shelter
May 17:	N.U.T. Day for Haiti
May 23:	8th Grade Confirmation
May 24:	Field Day
May 25-28	Memorial Day Holiday Break
June 1:	8th Grade Rose Ceremony
June 4:	8th Grade Graduation

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