



*of St. Mary*  
**THE BELLS**

*Like our bells which  
joyously ring to welcome  
all, The Bells of St. Mary  
shares the good news of  
our Parish and School  
for all to read.*

*~Give thanks to the Lord for He is good,  
for His mercy endures forever. ~*

Our weekly on-line newsletter keeping you updated on the latest news at St. Mary Parish.

If you have information or photos to be published in *The Bells of St. Mary*, please send your submissions to [stmaryelyria@aol.com](mailto:stmaryelyria@aol.com) by noon on Wednesdays.

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ST. MARY PARISH

*In the Heart of the City since 1845*  
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Eucharistic Adoration

Every Thursday  
Lower Church  
9am - 5pm

### Hot Meals

Tuesday, April 28  
Cafeteria  
5pm

### RCIA

Wednesday, April 28  
Conference Room  
7pm

### Altar & Rosary Luncheon & Meeting

Thursday, May 1  
Weigand Room  
11am

### Last Liturgy of the Word with Children

Sunday, May 3  
Green Room

### Last Preschool PSR

Sunday, May 3  
St. Joseph Building  
11am

### Preschool PSR Final Celebration

Sunday, May 3  
Lower Church  
Noon



## Junior High Science Fair

The 6th through 8th grade students had a Science Fair Friday, April 24. The students showed off their talents and creativity. Here are some pictures (more on page 4). If you would like to see the projects they will be on display April 24 from 5pm until 7pm. Also, the best projects will be displayed at the Arts and Science Festival on May 17.



## First Communion

Please keep in your prayers our second graders from the day school and PSR who will be receiving Holy Eucharist for the first time on Saturday, April 25 at 11:00. Thank you to all of the people preparing them for this special time in their lives.



## Night at the Races Thank You

We would like to thank all of the volunteers, sponsors, bakers, kitchen help, and everyone else that helped to make the Night at the Races a successful event! It was an amazing night! We profited \$6317.50 from the evening. It was great to come together as a parish family to enjoy a fun filled event. We already have some plans for next year!



## Truth & Life Delivered

The parish has subscribed to a new feature that provides access to daily Bible readings by email or smart phone. These Gospel readings come with sound effects while hearing the Word of God. To sign up for this feature go to the parish website: [stmaryelyria.org](http://stmaryelyria.org) and look for the logo on the homepage (click on the logo). You will be asked for your name, email address, zip code, and parish name. If you have any difficulties connecting, please contact Angie Pluta in the afternoon at the Parish Office, 323-5539. We hope you will take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to join other parishioners in hearing the daily Word of God in this way.



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# Stewardship Corner



**Please keep the following in your prayers**

This week please remember the intentions in our intention book, our family and friends in need, those who have fallen away from the Church, and those going through difficult times: **Ann Lou, Bette, Carmen, Charlie, Christopher, Clara, Dan, Debbie, Dottie, Elizabeth, Gene, John, Kelly Sue, Lillian, Lois, Mallory, Mark, Mary, Mary Pat, Matt, Nancy, Ruthe, Sharon, Terry, Tom, Vicki** and all who have asked for our prayers.



## Blood Pressures

Blood Pressures are taken in the Weigand Room after all the Masses on the third Sunday of each month. If you would like to share in this ministry please call me. It only takes from 20 minutes to half an hour. Thank you. Maryann 440-458-6159 Social Action Commission



## God's Family Tree

We will have a tree, "God's Family Tree", in the foyer, outside the Weigand Room. The tree is just branches. But there will be a basket of leaves by the tree. You are asked to put the first name or initials of someone you know on one of the leaves and attach it to the tree with the adhesive that is there. If someone has a unique first name, just put their initials on a leaf. Every Sunday one of the petitions in the Prayers of the Faithful will be for those whose leaves are found on "God's Family Tree".

*Thank you and God bless each of you.  
The Evangelization Commission*

## Volunteer Corner

Volunteers are needed for the following activities during the months noted. If you are interested in sharing your talents, for these particular events please contact [stmaryelyria@aol](mailto:stmaryelyria@aol) and your name will be given to the various committee chairs.

If there is a need for volunteers for your group or committee, please contact Angie Pluta at 323-5539 ext. 224 and that information will be added to the Volunteer Corner.

Your commitment to volunteer this year is essential in helping all at St. Mary Parish.

1. **Market Day.....Monthly**
2. **Hot Meals.....2nd, 3rd, 4th Tuesday**
3. **Hot Meals...2nd Sunday of the Month**



## Elyria Cluster VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "SONSPARK LABS - God's Plan 4U = Jesus"

July 13-17 ~ 9am-12noon at St. Jude Church  
It's a beautiful day in the neighborhood...hopefully SPRING has truly sprung! Good news under the direction of Desiree Volney & Maureen Coughlin, this year's VBS is up & we are getting prepared for a wonderful week of friendship, service, scripture sharing, fun & song. Registration is open to children in Pre-School through 4th grade (2015-16). Registration forms are now available at the Church entrances, in the Parish Office or through the School & PSR programs and will be accepted until June 20th at St. Jude Church office.

We are still in need of volunteers [5th grade - Adult] to assist with the day to day activities & running of programs during VBS. Are you or will you be looking for Service Hours for Sacrament programs, Youth Group, School, or just wanting to volunteer to assist with the children? Then VBS is the program for you! Come...share your faith & love of God with the younger children of our Parishes. Please call Maureen at 366-5711 #110 or Desiree at 440-610-6609. [Meetings for volunteers will be in May. Watch the bulletin for further announcements.]



### Third Grade Bracelets

The third graders have made bracelets and will be selling them for \$2.00 each. All of the profits will be donated to the Hospitality Center. The students are very proud of their work and the money that they have raised will go to the Hospitality Center.



### Box Tops

Keep sending in your Box Tops.

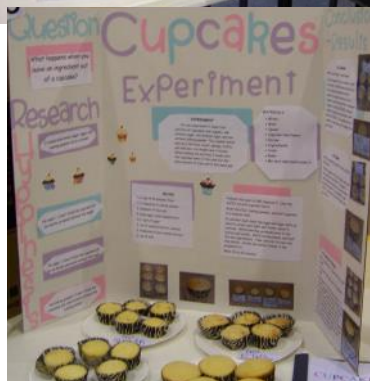
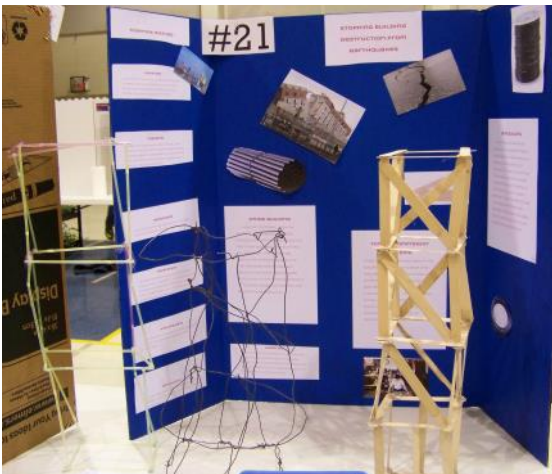
### Registration

Registration for full or half day Preschool, full day Kindergarten, and NEW students for grades 1-8 is continuing. Please contact the school office to set up an appointment to visit the school. The deadline for the second round of PSAS applications is June 1. If you need an application, please contact the school office 322-2808.

### Junior High Science Fair



**Come see more on May 17 at our Arts and Science Festival from 12pm - 4pm!**



# AFTerSCHOOl Educational ENHANCEMENT Program

## Schedule for April and May Courses

- \_\_\_\_\_ Sign Language & Culture of the Deaf (Mrs. Gabel) **kindergarten room, 113**  
**Begins April 13** and continues Mondays through April & again on May 11 (**off on May 4**)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Origami – learn the art of paper folding (Mrs. Obral) **art room**  
**Thursdays, April 16 & 30**  
fee - **.50** due the first day of class
- \_\_\_\_\_ Paleontology (Mrs. Manning) **8<sup>th</sup> grade classroom, 201**  
discuss & view videos on dinosaurs, create original one with Sculpey  
**Begins April 15** & continues every Wednesday through May 13  
fee - **\$5.00** due the first day of class  
**Pick up at 4:00**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Card Making (Mrs. Urig) **5<sup>th</sup> grade classroom, 117**  
use rubber stamps to make Mother's or Father's Day cards  
**Tuesday, May 5**  
materials – glue stick & scissors
- \_\_\_\_\_ Greek (Mr. Gabel) **science lab, 204**  
**Fridays** until further notice

# St. Mary School <sup>Elyria</sup>

*Our Lady of the Assumption*



## Arts & Science Festival

Sunday, May 17

12 pm - 4 pm

Everyone is welcome.

Join our festivities!

- Paintings/Drawings
- Sculptures
- Band Performance
- Vocal Concert
- Science Demonstrations
- STEM Projects



327 4th Street, Elyria



# April



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			Reports Cards go home Stations of the Cross K-8 1pm UC RCIA 7-9pm CR Tenebrae 9pm UC	Eucharistic Adoration 8:30am-5pm LC Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm UC HOLY THURSDAY	Stations of the Cross 1pm UC Passion & Adoration 3pm UC GOOD FRIDAY No School	Food Blessing 12pm UC Easter Vigil 8:30pm UC HOLY SATURDAY
5 EASTER	6	7	8	9	10	11
Easter Dinner 12-3 PH	No School	No School Senior Luncheon 12pm WR	No School RCIA 7-9pm CR	No School Eucharistic Adoration 8:30am-5pm LC Market Day 4pm WR	No School	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Liturgy of the Word 9:30-10:30 Preschool PSR 10:30-12:15 Volunteer Appreciation Lunch 12pm PH	PSR 6:30-7:45	Hot Meals 5-6 SC	RCIA 7-9pm CR	Spring Pictures Eucharistic Adoration 8:30am-5pm LC A&R 10:30 WR Book Club 7-8 L Daisy Scouts 6-7 GR		Blood Pressures Fairtrade 4:30-5:30 WR Night at the Races 5:30-10 PH
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Blood Pressures Fair Trade 7:30-12:30 WR Liturgy of the Word 9:30-10:30 Preschool PSR 10:30-12:15	PSR 6:30-7:45 First Eucharist Practice 6:30pm UC Hall Committee 7pm WR	Kindergarten Screening Hot Meals 5-6 SC Awakening Faith 5:30 WR Echoes of Faith 7pm CR	RCIA 7-9pm CR	Eucharistic Adoration 8:30am-5pm LC	Spirit/Cavs Day	First Eucharist 11am UC
26	27	28	29	30		
Liturgy of the Word 9:30-10:30 Preschool PSR 10:30-12:15 Class Mass Gr. 2 11am UC	Reconciliation Gr.7 12:30 UC PSR 6:30-7:45	Hot Meals 5-6 SC	RCIA 7-9pm CR	Eucharistic Adoration 8:30am-5pm LC Daisy Scouts 6-7 GR		

**Legend:** UC= Upper Church; LC=Lower Church; GR= Green Room; WR= Weigand Room; CR= Conference Room; SR=Staff Room; PH= Parish Hall; SC= School Cafeteria; L=Library; AR= Art Room; SJB= St. Joseph Building CL= Cahill Library Blue text are events involving the school.