



SMSS Daily Bulletin

School Day 153 ~ Thursday, April 18, 2024

Senior Class Focus: "I Can Stand Steady"

Today, we can stand steady by: "Say hello to someone new." - Edward O'Neill

Daily Prayer Intentions

Our prayer intentions for today are for **Fr. Jude Okeoma of Paducah**, and our students **Gabe Rupp** and **Michael Onuoha**, and teacher **Pamela Wright**.

AM/PM Prayer Leaders

04/17 AM Guadalupe Molina / PM Riley Richison (Pacheco)
04/18 AM Edward O'Neill / PM Camdyn Rosa (Courtney)
04/19 AM Jacob Rainey / PM Emily Rupp (Courtney)
04/22 AM Junior Prayer Service (Hrdlicka) / PM Cole Shoulta (Pacheco)
04/23 AM Rex Roof / PM Oliver Singler (Birman)

Catholic Fact: Did you know Pope Francis urged us to be annoying Catholics?

Several years ago, the Pope said "Today we can ask the Holy Spirit to give us all Apostolic fervor and the grace to be annoying when things are too quiet in the Church . . . and if we annoy people, blessed be the Lord."

To be annoying doesn't mean to be obnoxious or insensitive or the evangelical equivalent of a bull in a china shop - those things are easy for most of us. But to be annoying Christians means to be a joyful, peaceful, effective, and utterly confounding witnesses to the Gospel. This requires grace, plus a whole lot of hard work. The pope already told us how to get the grace: implore the Holy Spirit. But what about the hard work? What are some practical ways we can become annoying Catholics? *Be Joyful!* We can radiate the joy you've found in Christ. Smile. Laugh. Be merry. Mystify the world with the unmistakable light beaming through you and have a darned good time doing so. *Be Real!* Learn to be comfortable with your own humanity. Don't invest all your energy in trying to hide your frailties and imperfections from the world. People will learn more from the real you than they will from the fake you. The real you is the one transformed by grace. *Defy Expectations!* Be the interesting, dynamic, well-rounded, whole person God made you to be. Find the good in the culture and celebrate it. Make people think. Make people wonder. Make people confront their own prejudices. Who knows where that confrontation will lead? -*excerpted from How to Be An Annoying Catholic (in Eight Easy Steps)*

Birthdays: April 14-20

- **MS:** Miguel Myers
- **HS:** Caroline Krueger
- **Faculty:** Stacey Marshall



HS/MS Lunch Menu

All lunches are served with raw veggies, fruits and milk or juice

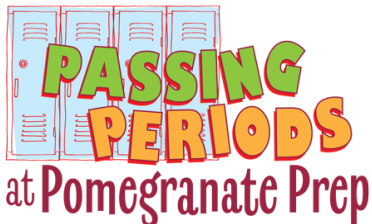
04/17 - Orange Chicken, Fried Rice, Fresh Carrots or PB&J, Cookie
04/18 - BBQ Sandwich, Baked Beans, Carrots or PB&J, Pudding
04/19 - Brunch (French Toast w/Yogurt), Tots, Fresh Carrots or PB&J
04/22 - Club on a sub, (Turkey Ham & T. Bacon), Wedges, Fresh Carrots or PB&J
04/23 - Bosco Sticks, Marinara Sauce, Red Peppers & Ranch or PB&J, Jell-O

All School News

- **04/18 - MS/HS Orchestra Concert will be held on Thursday, April 18 from 2:30-3pm.** Intermediate & Advanced Orchestras will be performing their Atlanta Festival pieces for the MS/HS prior to their trip.
- **04/19 - MS/HS Orchestra Students will travel to Georgia to compete in the Atlanta Heritage Festival April 19-21.** Please contact Ms. Washam with any questions.
- **04/25 Mrs. Gavin is holding an informational meeting for her upcoming tour of France on Thursday, April 25, at 6 PM in the commons.** The tour is scheduled for Spring Break - April 2025, and includes Paris, the D-Day Beaches, Mont St. Michel, Chartres, Rouen, and many other villages of the Brittany and Normandy regions. The tour is open to all rising St. Mary 8th-12th graders and their families. Please RSVP to save your place at the meeting and learn more about this incredible experience!
<https://rsvp.eftours.com/6bh4dyp>
- **St. Mary Scrip Gift Cards are the perfect Mother's Day or graduation gifts!** Please contact Mrs. Word at peggy.word@smss.org for a complete list of Scrip cards available.

MS News

- **MS Students are invited to attend Title One Math Tutoring with Mrs. Courtney.** Tutoring is available most days Monday-Thursday, 3:00-4:00. Please use this link if you are interested, however, sign-ups are not required. Students are welcome to drop-in.
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4BAFAF2DA0FFCF8-45033442-math/58835475#/>
- **04/18, 23, 25 - MS MAPS Testing** will be held on Thursday, April 18, and on Tuesday, April 23 and Thursday, April 25. Please contact Mrs. Courtney with questions.
- **04/17 - MS Spring Play Rehearsals will be held Wednesday, April 17 at 3pm.** Please contact Mrs. Gavin for more information.
- **04/18 - MS Student Council Meeting will be held Thursday, April 18** at lunch in Mrs. Courtney's room.
- **04/26 - MS Tennis Clinic is available for 6th grade students every Friday** now through April 26 from 4PM-5:30PM at Noble Park Tennis Courts at no cost! Contact Coach McKinney to sign up:
brandonamckinney@viennahighschool.com



- **05/06 St. Mary Theatre and St. Mary Strings present "Passing Periods at Pomegranate Prep" by Jon Jory.** This unconventional "day-in-the-life" one-act is a series of duet and trio scenes with quirky characters, quick action, and fast-paced dialogue. Add in musical-like moments and you have a unique patchwork of brief hallway scenes that perfectly captures the hustle and bustle of an average school day. Performances will be held Monday, May 6. All performances are in the Commons. Admission is free, but donations are accepted.
 - 9 am MS/HS performance
 - 1:30 pm 4th/5th grade performance
 - 6 pm community performance

HS News

- **04/18 - Senior Caps and Gowns.** Seniors will try on their graduation gowns on Thursday, April 18, during Mrs. Reed's 4th hour Religion class. Caps and Gowns will remain at the HS until May.
- **04/18 - Congratulations to the sophomores who were inducted into the National Honor Society:** Gabby Ault, Aiden Chino, Lanie Fearon, Will Norris, and Elizabeth Sanborn.
- **04/19 - WKCTC Dual Credit Registration will be Friday, April 19 from 9-11am.** Please see Mrs. Culbertson for more information.
- **04/19 - St. Thomas More Act of Service Day for Juniors** will be Friday, April 19 from 1:15-3pm.
- **04/23 - HS Mass and Conversation with Bishop Medley will be Tuesday, April 23 at 10am.**
- **04/23 - Boys' Investment Club** will be held Tuesday, April 23 during lunch.
- **04/24 - Spanish Club** will be held Wednesday, April 24 during lunch in Mrs. Pacheco's room.

Sports Events

- 04/18 - Tennis v Murray @ Noble - 4pm
- 04/18 - V/JV BB @ Livingston - 5:30pm
- 04/19 - HS Track @ Marshall Twilight - 5:30pm
- 04/20 - HS Track @ PT Invit. - 9am
- 04/22-25 - MS Soccer District Tournament
- 04/22 - Tennis @ Graves - 4pm
- 04/22 - V/JV BB v May - 5:30pm
- 04/23 - HS Track @ McCracken Quad Meet -5pm
- 04/24 - Tennis v McCracken @ LO - 4pm
- 04/25 - V BB @ Caldwell - 5:30pm
- 04/26 - Volleyball Clinic - 5pm
- 04/26 - HS Track @ Mustang Time Trials -5pm
- 04/27 - HS Track @ Murray Invit. - 9am
- 04/27 - Volleyball Clinic (Tentative) - 9:30am