

Good Morning Everyone!

I sure hope this finds you DRY and healthy. I have to confess I'm going a little stir crazy without seeing that glorious sun. My very being operates around the sun!!!

I just want to touch base with you all on some changes happening at St. Mary's School and Parish. Fr. Bob will be having his last Sunday Mass here at St. Mary's Church this Sunday, June 24th. Mass is at 10:30. I think it would be absolutely lovely for as many St. Mary's School families to be in attendance as possible. Fr. Bob has served us, our school, our parish and our community for the past ELEVEN years! I, for one, will truly miss him. He has been an excellent counselor and sounding board. He is full of wisdom and charity. He is a one of a kind man. I will continue to pray for happiness and good health for him as he moves closer to retirement. If, it is possible, please try to attend the 10:30 Mass on Sunday here at St. Mary's. There will be a farewell reception for Fr. Bob in the church basement following mass. I really hope to see your loving faces on this wonderful day.

Also, the parish and church are still taking applications for Mr. Her's position. Mr. Her has been employed by our parish and school for the past ELEVEN years as well. He, too, will be greatly missed. Yet, he has a calling and needs to answer his call. We will continue to have Mr. Her in our presence until the end of July.

And the latest news.....Mrs. Ashley Buysse has accepted a position with Tracy Area Elementary School as a second grade teacher for school year 2018-2019. Mrs. Buysse will be greatly missed and we wish her the best of luck in the next chapter of her life. I'm sure our paths will cross again.

This email may have caught you by surprise, but I know St. Mary's School will continue to flourish! We have so many positive components in the works right now. The students will be coming back to school with two new curriculum series. One for Reading and the other for Religious Education. We are upgrading much of our technology hardware and software. My heart is truly full with everything that is happening for St. Mary's School right NOW! My cup runneth over! I am super excited to start the new year right now. How many of your children are ready to come back and join me?!!!! They probably want to enjoy the rest of their summer break....first.....

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Hey, tell your children "I love them" and I can't wait for school to start. Enjoy your summer. We are in Good Hands! The good Lord holds us in the palm of his hands. AMEN!!!!

*Blessings,  
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where all enter to learn and exit to serve."***