

## Upcoming Events

### Catholic Schools Week:

- January 28/29 - Weekend Mass
- January 29 - School Open House at Noon
- January 30 - Mustache Monday  
*Thankful for our School*
- January 31 - Duct Tape Tuesday  
*Thankful for our Community*
- February 1 - 8:45 a.m. Mass  
Dress Like Your Teacher Day  
*Thankful for Teachers & Students*
- February 2 - Bishop's Mass  
*Thankful for our Faith*
- February 3 - Grandparent's Day  
Book Fair  
*Thankful for our Families*

### 2017-2018 School Enrollment Dates:

- February 6-17 - Current Families
- February 18-March 3 - Parish Families
- March 4 - Open Enrollment

### Save the Date:

- February 10 - Father & Daughter Dance  
*Community Event*
- April 28 - St. Mary's School Gala  
*Community Event*
- June 3 - 5th Grade Graduation

## Thank you for your Support!



Photo compliments of The Tomahawk Leader

St. Mary's School would like to extend a huge thank you to Brian Viegut and Viegut's Do-It-Express. Mr. Viegut applied for the Exxon Mobile 2016 Education Alliance Math and Science Grant on behalf of our school. As a result, St. Mary's School received a \$500 grant! The grant money will be used to purchase science kits for the 4<sup>th</sup> grade science curriculum. We are incredibly grateful to Mr. Viegut for his generosity and consideration of our school for this grant. Our students will be very excited to broaden their science investigations using their new supplies! Thank you so much for your support of our school!

## Pray it Forward Program

At St. Mary's School we believe that no child should be turned away from a Catholic school education based on financial need. For this reason, we have our "Pray it Forward" program. We strive to keep tuition at an affordable rate, but understand that circumstances may make it difficult to afford. We encourage families who need help with tuition to apply for financial assistance. That is where our "Pray it Forward" program comes in. Families receive assistance from this program with the hope that, in the future, they will be in a position to return that financial support to the school. If you would like to support a student, this is the perfect opportunity. We appreciate any amount donated to the "Pray it Forward" program as a way to perpetuate the Catholic education our school offers. Please contact the school office at 715-453-3542 with any questions you may have or to make a contribution to this program. Thank you in advance for your support of our school!



## Our Mission

St. Mary's School is an integral ministry of the parishes of St. Mary, St. Augustine, and St. Francis of Assisi. We welcome 3-year-old Preschool through Grade 5 students from Tomahawk, WI and the surrounding areas. Our commitment to high quality, faith-based education is founded on the mission of the Catholic Church. We foster a Christian community of loving, knowledgeable, and faithful servants of Christ by sharing God's word and instilling Catholic values. We strive to develop the whole child through prayer, family involvement, service, and excellence in education.

# Faith

The cornerstone of a St. Mary's School education is our focus on Faith. Students begin and end each day with all-school prayer, attend Mass weekly, and participate in liturgical roles. Our Faith in God carries us through each day.



Students presented the play "Room for Christmas" in December.

First graders paused for a quiet moment when the Wisemen journeyed through our halls on their way to the stable.



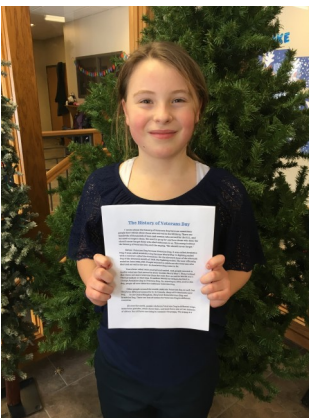
Our 4th and 5th Graders were commissioned as cantors for school Mass.



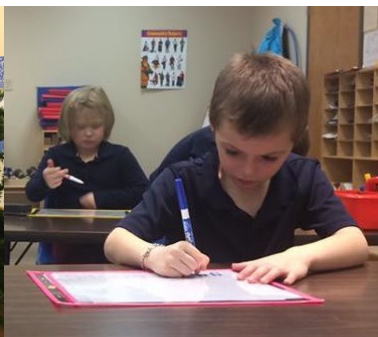
The older children guide their younger friends in praying the rosary at morning prayer.

# Knowledge

We take great pride in the academic achievements of our students and our alumni. At the end of 1<sup>st</sup> quarter this school year, 72% of our high school alumni were represented on the Tomahawk High School honor roll.



5th grader, AJ Schertz, won 1st place in the Veterans' Day Essay Contest.



Small class sizes enable children to get individualized attention and reach their full potential.



The 3rd grade and 4 year old Kindergarten teamed up for Reading Buddies.

Hands-on investigations in science class.



Science exploration can never start too young.



# Service

Learning about our faith is important. At St. Mary's School we teach our students to go one step further and serve. We must use the gifts we are blessed with to help others.



Every Tuesday our students visit Milestones Senior Living for our Reading Buddies Program.

As part of our Christmas Program, students organized a toy drive and donated the toys to Kinship of Tomahawk.



The 1st grade pose with Christmas cards they wrote to our nation's soldiers.



The 4 year old Kindergarten served by distributing the new hymnals.



# Leadership

*"Leadership is about having a selfless heart and always being willing to reach out and lend a helping hand."* – Bob Reinna Our students are given frequent opportunities to practice leadership in our school, church and community.



Students take turns raising and lowering the flag each day.

Each month students who go above and beyond expectations are recognized with our Good Christian Award.



Our 4th and 5th graders helped local veterans with the White Table Ceremony.



Students volunteer to serve at school and weekend masses.





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## *Come Join us at our Open House January 29, 2017, at noon!*

*Celebrating 100 Years  
of Excellence in Catholic Education*

St. Mary's School has been providing Catholic education to children and families in our community for 100 years! Next weekend we will be kicking off Catholic Schools Week. After the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, we will be having an Open House at the school. We are excited to share with all of you what a wonderful treasure we have in St. Mary's School. We would like to cordially invite all our parishioners and community members to join us for refreshments, tours of the school, and time to chat with teachers, parents, and students. You have been so generous in your prayer support of our school! This is our chance to pay you back with some fellowship and hospitality! Stop in and see how your support influences the lives of our students. We look forward to seeing you! If you have any questions, feel free to call the school 715-453-3542.

