



# The Nativity News



Your Weekly Connection to St. Mary's

## March 16, 2026

*The Lord is my light and salvation.*

### The Principal's Pew

As we begin a new week together, I would like to wish everyone a joyful St. Patrick's Day tomorrow! St. Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland and is remembered for bringing Christianity to the Irish people. One of the ways he helped explain the mystery of the Holy Trinity was by using a shamrock, showing how the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are three persons in one God.

This Friday, report cards will be sent home. Please take some time to review them together and celebrate your child's accomplishments while also encouraging continued growth.

It is hard to believe that we are already entering the fourth and final nine weeks of the school year! The time has gone by quickly, and we look forward to finishing the year strong!

We are also excited to kick off Fun Run Week! This is one of the students' favorite events of the year. The week is filled with energy, school spirit, and a wonderful opportunity for our school community to come together in support of St. Mary's. We are looking forward to a fun and memorable week for all of our students!

Blessings,  
Mrs. Pertuit



### Upcoming Events

#### March 17

St. Patrick's Day  
(see below)

#### March 20

Report Cards



#### March 19

Booster Fun Run Kick Off!

#### March 19-27

Booster Fun Run Week



#### March 27

Color Fun Run Day!  
(schedule of Run Day festivities will be sent soon)

#### April 1

Grades K-2 Map Growth Parent Mtg  
6 pm in Community Center

#### April 3-12

Easter Break

[2025-2026  
School Calendar](#)

### Mass Hosts Schedule

- Thurs. March 19-** Track Team (Solemnity of Saint Joseph)
- Sunday, March 22** – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade School Mass
- Wednesday, March 25** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade (Solemnity of the Annunciation)
- March 30-April 2-** No School Mass
- Thursday, April 2** – Chrism Mass (Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales, Houma, LA)



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## Booster, FUN RUN March 19-27

**BOOSTER**

KICK OFF → Thursday, March 19!  
(All students will join together for a fun pep rally!)

Curious about the event? Find an overview of our fundraiser [HERE!](#)

### Key Information to help you during the fundraiser:

- 💰 Goal: \$30,000
- 📅 For: supporting St. Mary's Nativity School
- 📅 Kickoff Date (in school): 03/19/2026
- 📅 Event Date: 03/27/2026

Donations for our St Mary's Color Run will be collected through our fundraising platform:

[MyBooster.com](https://www.mybooster.com)

We need 100% student sign ups! Follow steps below:

### How to Start on MyBooster.com:

- Choose "Sign Up"
- Enter your School
- Enter your Personal Information
- Once you sign up, it's time to share via Facebook, email and text!

### Tips for Success:

- Share, share, share using our easy online tools!
- Make sure to thank everyone who supported you after you reach your goal.

Thank you for helping make our fundraiser a success!

## Extracurriculars

**4H** – March Lafourche Happenings:  
<https://www.lsuagcenter.com/profiles/vsmith/articles/page1772555076089>

Achievement Day – April 25<sup>th</sup>  
We highly encourage all our 4H members to attend and participate! Check out the 4H Happenings for activities.

**Quiz Bowl** – Our team is scheduled to compete against Houma Jr. High tomorrow, March 17! Best of Luck!

**Robotics Club** – Next meeting:  
April 16  
After school until 3:45pm

**Track and Field**-  
We are so proud of our team for pushing their limits and growing as athletes!  
Next Meet: Tuesday, March 17  
@ Thibodaux High

## Additional Info:

- **St. Patrick's Day** – 3/17 Students may wear green shirts with school bottoms and school shoes.
- **Policy Reminders:**
  - Watches that connect to internet or have games are not allowed.
  - Fidgets are not allowed unless permitted by Mrs. Pertuit
  - Hair should not be below eyebrows.
  - All personal items must be labeled.

# ST. MARY'S COLOR RUN

## ST. MARY'S NATIVITY SCHOOL

### What is this fundraiser?

Our school is raising \$30,000 for supporting St. Mary's Nativity School. During this fundraiser, families can earn donations online to help reach our school goal, and on the final day, all students will participate in our Color Run to celebrate!

### How does it work?

Students will be participating in a fun, fitness focused event to celebrate their hard work during the fundraiser.

### What's Included?

- Engaging Character Enrichment
- Rewards for Donations
- All-Inclusive Event Day
- Easy Tech Sharing Features
- Teacher Support
- and more!

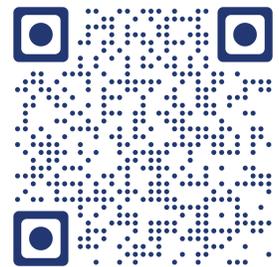
## How do I get involved?

Sign up at [mybooster.com](https://mybooster.com) TODAY!

### Key dates to remember:

Kickoff in School  
**03/18/2026**

Event Day  
**03/27/2026**



**Learn More!**

**Stay tuned for more details and follow us on social media for updates!**



*St. Mary's Nativity Church*  
3500 Highway 1  
Raceland, LA 70394  
985-537-3204

Parents:

St. Mary's Nativity Church will host Vacation Bible School June 8 - 12, 2026. (Monday-Friday 9am - 12pm)

We always have a wonderful turn out of student participation, 70-80 students. We also always have a fantastic crew of teen volunteers, 30 plus.

However, the last three years have been very difficult due to the lack of adult volunteers. With that being said, I am looking to have at least 6 adults per day. If you can work 1, 2, 3, 4 or all 5 days I would greatly appreciate you.

If you are available to help, please contact me via email [rbecnel@hdiocese.org](mailto:rbecnel@hdiocese.org) or the church office 985-537-3204 by March 31st. Registration forms will go out the first week of April.

+Prayers,

Renee Plerce Becnel  
Director of Youth Formation  
St. Mary's Nativity Church

We will need adult chaperones to attend with the students. If you can chaperone, please contact me at [rbacnel@htdiocese.org](mailto:rbacnel@htdiocese.org). The number of students attending will determine the number of chaperones needed.

**be not afraid**

# YOUTH RALLY

**KATIE P. MCGRADY**

**BRIAN GREENFIELD**

*WORSHIP - KEYNOTES - YOUTH VILLAGE*

*ADORATION - MASS*

**MARCH 28, 2026**

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5<sup>TH</sup> - 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE  
\$65 REGISTRATION

ST. BERNADETTE  
HOUMA, LA  
12:30-8:30

REGISTER WITH YOUR PARISH

WWW.LIFT316.NET



# be not afraid

Lift 3:16 Rally  
March 28, 2026

St. Bernadette Catholic Church / Gym  
409 Funderburk Ave. / Houma, LA

**Registration Fee: \$65**

**\*Due by March 13, 2026 to receive a shirt**

T-Shirt Size (Circle One) YM YL S M L XL 2X 3X

### STUDENT INFORMATION

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Church Parish \_\_\_\_\_

Gender  Male  Female

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### CONTACT INFORMATION

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work/Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### MEDICAL INFORMATION

Medical Insurance Information

Policy Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any physical limitations, medical conditions, drug/food allergies, medications, or any dietary restrictions that we should be aware of.

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Do you consent to your child being administered medical help by a licensed  Yes  No physician in the event of an emergency?

*\*Parents/Guardians of participants are advised that photographs and videotape of participants will be taken and may be used in publications, websites, or other materials produced by Lift 3:16, Inc. Participants will not be identified by name without written consent. By signing this registration form, you are agreeing to let your child attend this event and agree to all of the above.\**

**\*All youth attending MUST be registered with a church parish or school to attend; that church/school MUST have a group leader present. All checks will be made payable to the church/school and the church/school will write one check to Lift 3:16, Inc. Concessions and merchandise may be sold at the event, send extra money with your child at your discretion.\***

\*Mass will be open to the public. Doors Open at 6:45. Mass to begin at 7PM\*

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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