



# The Nativity News



Your Weekly Connection to St. Mary's

## May 18, 2026

I have set God always before me. Because He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Psalm 16:8

### The Principal's Pew

As we close out another wonderful school year at St. Mary's, I would like to sincerely thank each of you for your partnership, support, and trust throughout the year. Your commitment to our school community is truly a blessing, and I am especially grateful for the kindness and encouragement shown during my first year leading St. Mary's.

This year has been filled with growth, accomplishments, faith, and unforgettable memories. As we prepare for our final days together, we look forward to celebrating the many achievements of our students and reflecting on all they have accomplished through hard work and perseverance.

My dreams for St. Mary's are larger than ever before, and I am filled with excitement and hope for the bright future ahead of our school. Together, we will continue building a strong foundation rooted in faith, academic excellence, and virtue.

I pray that each of our families enjoys a fun, restful, and blessed summer break filled with special moments and lasting memories. Thank you again for allowing us the privilege of educating and caring for your children.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back in August for another wonderful year at St. Mary's!

Blessings,  
Mrs. Pertuit

### Upcoming Dates

#### May 19

Field Day  
More info below.

#### May 20

Pajama Day

#### May 22

Student's Last Day

**NO BUS Services AM/PM**

8:30 am – Mass – Awards  
Dismissal at 10:00 am



### Last Day of School Friday, May 22

**Friday, May 22, students will be dismissed early at 10:00 a.m.**

The day will begin with Mass at 8:30 am, followed by an awards ceremony recognizing our students' achievements. Families are invited to attend Mass and stay for the awards presentation.

Students will receive their final report cards upon dismissal. If your child is absent on the last day, report cards may be picked up from the school office beginning Tuesday, May 26, through June 5, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon.

### Summer Office Hours

Our school office will be open May 26<sup>th</sup> -29<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am - 2:00 pm. Please call the office if you have any inquiries 985-537-7544 or email [veronica.pertuit@htdiocese.org](mailto:veronica.pertuit@htdiocese.org) OR [lori.chiasson@htdiocese.org](mailto:lori.chiasson@htdiocese.org)



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## Reminders:

- The 2026-2027 School Year Calendar is attached to the newsletter.
- All **morning care and aftercare** accounts must be paid in full and are due by Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- **May 21** will be the last day for aftercare.
- **Lunch**- Cash or online payments only for the remainder of the year. No checks. Parents needing an account refund must request a form to be completed.
- **Yearbook Cover Contest:** See attached flyer. Entries due May 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Kinder – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade MAP scores will be emailed.

## Yearbooks

Our yearbooks are underway! If you would like to purchase a 2025-2026 SMNS yearbook, please visit:

<https://shop.yearbookmarket.com/stmarysnativity>

**Deadline to order: May 22, 2026**

## Church Re-dedication

**Saturday, May 23 at 4:00 pm**  
**With Bishop Simon Peter**

*Please join our community for the re-dedication of our beautiful church!*



## Field Day



Due to weather predictions, we've moved field day to **Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**.

Students may wear fun summer clothing. Hats and sunglasses are allowed. Please label items!

Shorts must be of appropriate length, no crocs or sandals, no sleeveless shirts.

Students will rotate activities, inside and outside throughout the day to allow cool down times.

Students will have snowballs during the afternoon.



## Dreaming of Summer Time, Pajama Day!

**Wednesday, May 20**

Students may wear appropriate pajamas to school.

## Used Uniform Drop-Off

If needing to drop off used uniforms, we now have a large wooden chest outside the blue building under the awning.

Dates will be shared via email and Facebook for our summer used uniform sales.



# YEARBOOK COVER CONTEST

SHOW OFF YOUR CREATIVITY AND DESIGN SKILLS BY CREATING THE 2025-2026 COVER FOR THE SMNS YEARBOOK. DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS OPPORTUNITY TO LEAVE YOUR ARTISTIC MARK ON THE YEARBOOK!

**THEME:** FAITH FLOWS, VIRTUE GROWS DOWN BY THE BAYOU

**PRIZE:** FREE YEARBOOK FOR THE WINNER

**JUDGING PANEL:** YEARBOOK ADVISORS

## **RULES FOR SUBMISSION**

1. ART MUST BE ON 8.5 X 11 PLAIN WHITE PAPER.
2. THE ORIENTATION OF THE PAPER MUST BE VERTICAL.
3. YOU MUST LEAVE 1-INCH WHITE MARGIN AROUND THE ENTIRE PAGE.
4. DRAWING MUST BE TURNED INTO MRS. MELISSA DUET BY MAY 20.

## **ALL ENTRIES MUST INCLUDE**

1. THE NAME OF THE SCHOOL: ST. MARY'S NATIVITY SCHOOL
2. YEAR: 2025-2026

## **TIPS FOR A GOOD ENTRY**

1. NOT A LOT OF WHITE SPACE - LOTS OF COLOR
2. COLOR PENCILS AND WATERCOLORS PREFERRED
3. KEEP YOUR ENTRY PROTECTED IN A LARGE ENVELOPE

ATTACH THIS FILLED OUT FORM TO THE DRAWING.

STUDENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_


**ENTRIES DUE MAY 20, 2026**

***GOOD LUCK TIGERS!***



**JAKES SCHOOL  
UNIFORMS  
HOUMA & THIBODAUX**

**BACK TO  
SCHOOL  
SALE**



**MUST PRESENT THIS CARD AT  
TIME OF PURCHASE**

**SCHOOL  
UNIFORMS ONLY**





**MAY 26-30**

**15% OFF**

**JUNE 1-6**

**10% OFF**

**REGULAR PRICED ITEMS**



**THIS COUPON CANNOT BE COMBINED  
WITH ANY OTHER DISCOUNT**



**2026**



# St. Mary's Nativity School

*Believe, Achieve, Succeed with Christ*

## *2026-2027 School Year*

|                       |                               |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| July 15               | Teacher Professional Day      |
| July 29               | Back to School Bash 4-6 PM    |
| August 3              | Open House 6:00 PM            |
| August 3-4            | Teacher Professional Days     |
| August 5              | Students' first day of school |
| September 7           | Labor Day                     |
| October 12            | Fall Break                    |
| November 23-27        | Thanksgiving                  |
| December 21-January 1 | Christmas/New Years           |
| January 18-19         | MLK Day                       |
| February 8-12         | Mardi Gras                    |
| March 26-April 2      | Easter Break                  |
| May 21                | Students' last day            |

### **Nine-Week Periods**

First Nine Weeks Ends--October 9, 2026

Second Nine Weeks Ends--December 18, 2026

Third Nine Weeks Ends--March 12, 2027

Fourth Nine Weeks Ends--May 18, 2027

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**In the event of school closure for an emergency such as a hurricane or other extreme weather conditions, the principal has the authority to use selected holidays as make-up days.**

Approved: March 25, 2026