



SMSS Daily Bulletin

School Day 123 ~ Monday, February 23, 2026

Principal's Challenge

Go, and make disciples of all nations.

Senior Saint of the Day ~ chosen by Lucy Duran

Today's quote is from St. Clement. He is the patron saint of metalworkers and blacksmiths. He is known as one of the Apostolic Fathers. He once said, *"The Lord has turned all our sunsets into sunrise."*

Daily Prayer Intentions:

Our prayer intentions for today are for **Fr. Ray Goetz of Mount St. Joseph Chaplain** and students **Hunter Korte** and **Annabelle Lea** and Spanish teacher **Shawnda Pacheco**.

Catholic Fact: Tomorrow, the church celebrates St. Peter Damian, Doctor of the Church.

Today is the **Optional Memorial of St. Polycarp of Smyrna (69-155)**, who was converted to Christianity by St. John the Evangelist. He was a disciple of the apostles and friend of St. Ignatius of Antioch. He was ordained bishop of Smyrna (now Izmir, Turkey) and was about eighty-six when the Roman pro-consul urged him to renounce Christ and save his life. St. Polycarp said, *"For eighty-six years I have served Him and he has never wronged me. How can I renounce the King who has saved me?"* He suffered martyrdom in 155 by burning at the stake in the amphitheater of Smyrna. -excerpted from *Catholic Culture*

Academic Team - Upcoming Competitions

- **03/20-23 HS and MS Teams will compete at the KY State Finals March 20-23** in Louisville KY. Students will travel to Louisville after school on Friday afternoon.

All School News

- **02/25 Catholic Athletes for Christ** meets to pray the rosary in the chapel on Wednesday mornings at 7:35 am. All MS/HS students are invited!
- **02/27 Come out and support the St. Mary Orchestra at a Community Impact Event at Pizza Ranch! Feb 27th beginning at 5pm!** Pizza Ranch will donate 15% of proceeds to our Orchestra!
- **03/11 St. Mary Orchestra will have their Spring Concert on Wednesday, March 11th at 6:30 pm** in the Commons. They will play a selection prior to their competition in Orlando, FL.



MS News

- **02/25 MS Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, Feb 25th. Full uniforms are required.**
- **02/26 Robotics Club meets on Thursday, Feb 26th after school in the MS Lab.**
- **02/28 Middle School Dance will be held on Saturday, Feb 28th in the Commons.**
- **03/10 4-H Public Speaking Contest will be held Tuesday, Mar 10th in 1st-4th hours. Winners will be announced during MS Lunch.**

HS News

- **02/25 HS Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, Feb 25th.**
- **02/25 CAC "Armor of God" Meeting will be Wednesday, Feb 25th during lunch in the gym.**
- **02/26 Juniors - Thursday, February 26th - Mastery Prep ACT Bootcamp - all day in the library!**
- **02/26 Boys Investment Club meets on Thursday, Feb 26th at lunch in Room 208.**
- **02/27 Order your personalized HS Yearbook by Feb 27th! One Book. A Thousand Moments. Don't Miss the Memories. Yearbook order forms can be found in the front office. Personalizations can be added until February 27th. The last day to order a yearbook is March 30th.**
- **03/03 HS Students will participate in a Day of Service at local non-profits on Tuesday, March 3rd.**
- **03/05 French Club will meet at lunch on Thursday, Mar 5th in Room 209.**
- **03/05 Spring ACT District Testing for juniors - Thursday, March 5th 8:00-12:30 in the library.**

Class of 2026 - Save the Dates!

- 03/12-15 Senior Class Trip will be March 12-13th.
- 05/15 Baccalaureate Mass will be Friday, May 15th at 6pm at St. Thomas More Catholic Church.
- 05/16 Graduation Ceremony will be Saturday, May 16th at 7pm at St. Mary High School.
- Seniors who would like to order their graduation announcements should place orders on the [Jostens website](#).

Christian Service Opportunity

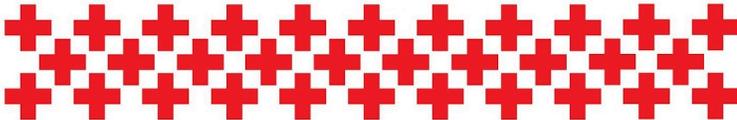
3/27 The Jefferson St. Knights of Columbus are looking for student volunteers for their upcoming Lenten fish fries. When: Fridays until 3/27/26, Where: 3028 Jefferson St. Contact: Jeff Warren 270-519-9990, Times: 3:45-7:00 or 6:30-8:00 (the latter shift is for clean up).

NHS Blood Drive

03/10 NHS Students are partnering with the Red Cross for a blood drive on Tuesday, March 10th from 8:30-1:30. Our blood drive offers an opportunity to help a SMHS student(s) through the Red Cross scholarship program. Our blood donation total determines how much scholarship money is earned! Please sign up for an appointment time today! *Donors will receive a \$15 gift card via email while also saving lives!

American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive
St. Mary Middle/High School
Auxiliary Gym

Tuesday, March 10, 2026
8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Help us earn Red Cross scholarship funds by donating at our drive!

16-year-olds may donate with a signed Red Cross parental consent form.

Go to [RedCrossBlood.org](#) and enter sponsor code: smhs, email NHS sponsor Ms. Cunningham at kelly.cunningham@smss.org, or call 1-800-RED CROSS to schedule an appointment today.



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Sports Events

02/24 VG/VB District Tournament @ McCracken TBD
02/25 Esports (Smash Bros) 3:00 pm
02/26 Esports (Mario Kart) 3:00 pm
03/05 MS Boys Soccer v CFS 5:00 pm
03/09 HS Tennis v Home School @ Noble Park 4:00 pm
03/09 HS V/JV Baseball @ Lyon Cty 5:30 pm
03/10 Tennis @ Mayfield 4:15 pm
03/10 MS Soccer @ RMS 5:00 pm
03/10 HS Track @ McCracken Quad 1 5:00 pm

Daily Prayer Leaders

02/23 - AM Lucy Duran / PM Micah Itiavkase
02/24 - AM Lanie Fearon / PM Cash Miller
02/25 - AM Conrad Green / PM Julianne O'Farrell
02/26 - AM Jake Haas / PM Nubia Pacheco
02/27 - AM Nolan Howard / PM Ansley Stubblefield

HS/MS Lunch Menu

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

02/23 - Turkey with Gravy & Roll, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Fruit
02/24 - Grilled Chicken w/Cheese Sub, Savory Fries, Sweet Peppers, Jell-O
02/25 - Hot Ham & Cheese, Potato Soup, Tots, Carrots, Fruit
02/26 - Queso Chicken & Rice, Corn, Black Beans, Salsa Fruit, Cookie
02/27 - Bosco Sticks & Marinara, Green Beans, Side Salad, Fruit, Pudding

Cleaning Assignments for the week of February 23, 2026

- MS Power Snack 7th grade Boys / MS Lunch 7th grade Girls
- HS Power Snack 10th grade Boys / HS Lunch 10th grade Girls

February Birthdays 🎉 🎂 🍰

MS: Ansley Stubblefield, Reagan Suazo, Sam Wilson, Rebekah Nunley, Roman Harrell
HS: Drew Puckett, Paige Topping, Meredith Paxton
Faculty: Kathli Falk, Mara Sredl, Kelly Cunningham

Flu and Cold Season Reminders:

- **Please wash your hands several times daily for at least 20 seconds** and use hand sanitizer often. Good hygiene helps stop the spread of germs.
- **If you have tested positive for flu or have a fever**, please remain at home until you have been fever-free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medications.