

Good afternoon St. Mary's,

Today the 2nd grade students did a fantastic job leading us in prayer at the May Crowning! Thank you as well to their teacher Mrs. Vellon for preparing them so well and leading them in reverence. We thank the 2nd graders for reminding us of the important reasons why we celebrate Mary!

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Tomorrow's weather forecast is unfortunately going to cause us to postpone our Walk-A-Thon until Wednesday, May 15. (We will work around the Pre-K field trip - further details will come tomorrow from Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Reuter). The Walk-A-Thon cannot be held in the gymnasium, so we are forced to move to our rain date. A more detailed schedule will be sent out when it is finalized.

In lieu of the Walk-A-Thon tomorrow, all students are encouraged to participate in a Mary's Spirit Dress Down Day! Mary's Spiritwear is of course encouraged. Regular dress down rules apply.

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A postponed Walk-A-Thon means more time for students to gather pledges! We are at approximately 50% participation! Please login and create the portal so that you can send this out to relatives and friends. We are looking for 100% participation!

Similar to last year, the following incentives are now being announced, so keep passing that link around to aunts, uncles, cousins, neighbors, pen pals, your mailman, anyone interested in Catholic education!!!:

- On each grade level, the student who walks/runs the most amount of laps will earn a Dress Down Day
- The top ten students who raise the most amount of pledge money will earn a Homework Pass and a Dress Down Pass
- The top two students to raise the most amount of pledge money will earn a pizza party for their homeroom (plus Homework Pass and Dress Down Pass)
- The top student to raise the most amount of pledge money will (in addition to aforementioned prizes) earn free entry to a St. Mary's Summer Camp of choice (options can be seen here: <http://stmary.ws/HighSchool/student-life/summer-programs/sports-camps/>)

The most important aspect of this event is the whole school's involvement! I look forward to coming together - N-8 - to celebrate the present and future of St. Mary's Elementary!