



St. Bridget Parish School

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March 12, 2019

Dear St. Bridget Parish School Families,

Look to God that you may be radiant with JOY! - Psalm 34:6

It is with great JOY and a little sadness that I want to tell you of my decision to retire on June 30, 2019, the end of my 2018-2019 contract. I am grateful for the opportunity to have served as principal of St. Bridget Parish School for the past two years. The children remain my favorite, and the friendships made along the way with co-workers, parents, and business associates have been most enjoyable. As many of you know, this year marks 40 years for me of working in Catholic education as teacher (10) or principal (30). Throughout that time, I have been blessed beyond words by God's generosity and constant companionship. I look forward to time to engage in those activities one dreams of when talking of retirement!

I believe I am leaving at a time when St. Bridget Parish School is on solid footing and as we "Look to the Future" I am confident that the tradition of excellence begun here 68 years ago will continue to grow and expand as we pursue ways to meet the needs of current and future generations! Your involvement as parents will have an important role in that growth and continued success. May God bless your efforts!

(Please read the letter from Father Jerry Harris found on the next page.)

Costume Help Needed for *Alice in Wonderland*: Your help is needed! Mr. Leary needs help creating some of the costumes for this year's musical; *Alice in Wonderland*. In his room are the concept ideas that has been worked out by he and Ms. Dixen. But they need some of you to help bring the magic and color of the musical to life.

If you are able to help, even in a small way, please contact him. He will be in his room on Wednesday, March 13 from 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm and on Thursday, March 14 from 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm. If you are unable to stop by but would like to help, please send Mr. Leary an email at mleary@stbparish.com.

PreK Parent-Teacher Conferences: Our Parent-Teacher Conferences for our PreK students will be held on the following dates from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. PreK parents are asked to log in to Sycamore to schedule their conference.

Mrs. Nordstrom/Mrs. Langer: March 20 & 21

Ms. Ferg: March 19 & 20

Mrs. Wunrow: March 19 & 20

End of Quarter/Report Cards: Our third quarter ends Friday, March 22. Report cards will be sent home with students on Friday, April 5.

First Communion Retreat – Sunday, March 24: Second grade families are reminded of the First Communion Retreat scheduled for Sunday, March 24 from 1-2 p.m. in the church. Please remember to bring your completed (and dry) banner to the retreat.

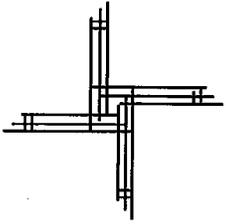
Families have a choice of First Communion celebration dates: Saturday, March 30 or Saturday, April 6, both at 2:30 p.m.

Spring Break – March 25-29: Students do not have classes March 25-29 due to spring break. Please remember that Monday, April 1 has been changed to a snow make-up day.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeanne M. McCoy".

Jeanne McCoy
Principal



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Dear Parents of St. Bridget School Students, teachers and staff,

I am writing with gratitude for Miss Jeanne McCoy's 40 years of dedicated and faithful service as she retires at the end of year. She has truly been a blessing to St. Bridget Parish School these past two years – bringing stability and peace to the school community, reviewing and enhancing curriculum, and hiring amazing and passionate teachers. Thank you Miss McCoy. You deserve to enjoy your retirement.

St. Bridget School has always been on the cutting edge of programs and ideas. St. Bridget School was the first school in River Falls to introduce all-day kindergarten, all day pre-K, Spanish for elementary grades, and an early intervention program for all learners (GOAL). Now we are training teachers and implementing the Orton Gillingham reading program. We are always looking to the future to provide the best for our students.

Our school is healthy and we are in a positive situation as we look for our new principal. We will post the position shortly and seek candidates early before school ends. I am confident we will find the right person for our parish school. We will keep all parents and staff informed as we move forward. Input from parents and staff will be sought out in the coming weeks.

As a 1965 graduate of St. Bridget's School, I am part of the history of a solid faith-filled and academic education history of our school. I want this to continue.

If you have questions or comments feel free to contact me.

71-425-1870 ext. 103 or pastor@stbparish.com .

Sincerely,

Rev. Gerald P. Harris,

Pastor