



Instilling values of our Catholic faith remains at the forefront of what we do here at St. Mary's School. Teaching students to reflect on the love Jesus has for us and reminding them of the power of prayer is a true blessing.



We were blessed with another amazing school year! We worked a lot on understanding what it means to Let the Light of Christ shine through us. We have worked hard to show students the value of service work, helping those in need, and helping them understand that it doesn't take grand acts to help others. Sometimes a small, simple act is enough a change a person's day and remembering that is important. And along with all of this, we have worked hard to provide a top-notch academic education that is rigorous and challenging and teaches students a true joy of learning. Thanks for a great year!

~Mrs. Fischer



2022-2023 State of the School Report/Report to Stakeholders



St. Mary's School Class of 2023

St. Mary's School Board of Education

Who We Are:

- 8 council members
- Each person serves a 3-year term with rotations of 1/3 of the membership each year
- Current members:
Bryan Herrmann,
Pete Boyle,
Megan Copeland,
Suzie Maulfair,
Nathan Roy,
Tera Kleespie,
Principal and Pastor

What We Do:

- Work directly with principal
- Represent the school to Parish Leadership
- Advise on school policies and budget
- Advise strategic plan
- Assist in fundraising events
- Help with alumni relations efforts

Parent Involvement Opportunities

Parent involvement is very much encouraged here at St. Mary's School. It helps enhance our school community through community building events. The following events are all opportunities for parent involvement:

- *Back to School Night
- *Staff Appreciation
- *Dinner Auction Event
- *Shake Shack Fundraiser
- *Christmas Program Reception
- *Book Fair
- *Grandparents Day Reception
- *Fish Fry
- *Seder Meal
- *Club's Choice Fundraiser
- *Pancake Breakfasts
- *Cash Calendar Fundraiser
- *Parade of Lights

Enrollment

Our enrollment for the 2022-2023 School Year was 96 students. We have a graduating class of 10 students. Our enrollment numbers are projected to stay near the same for the 2023-2024 school year.



2022-2023 Teaching Staff



Mrs. Henrich
Preschool



Mrs. Larson—PreK
Para



Mrs. Sayles
Kindergarten



Mrs. Anderson
Grade 1



Mrs. Lhotka
Grade 2



Mrs. Hentges
Grade 3



Mrs. Henriksen
Grade 4



Mrs. Rose
Grade 5



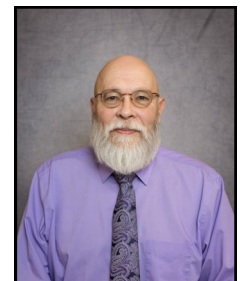
Mrs. Boyd
Grade 6



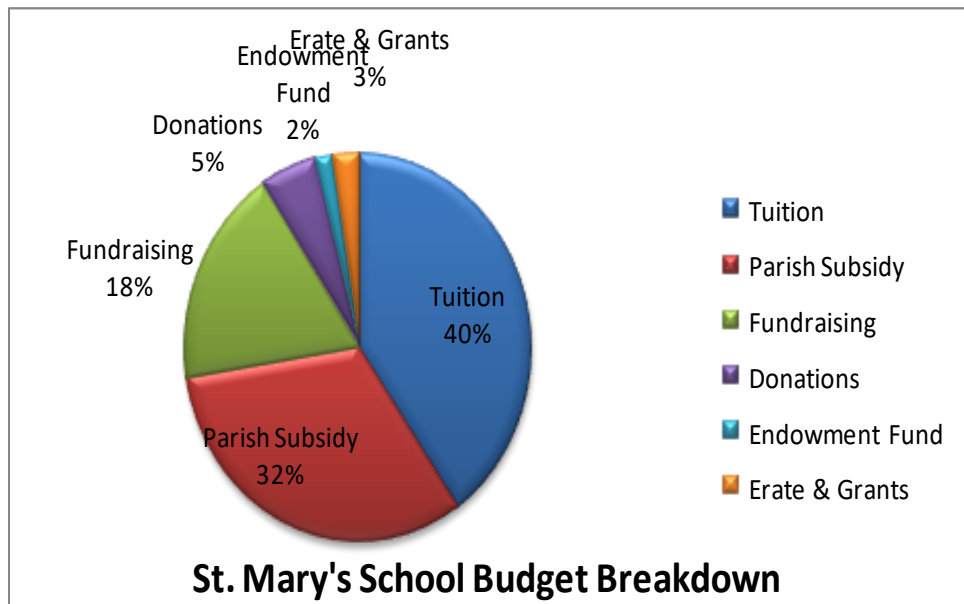
Mrs. Guerrero
Spanish



Mrs. Hodgson
Music



Mrs. Tolles
Intervention/Discovery



St. Mary's School Endowment Fund Golf Tournament Fundraiser

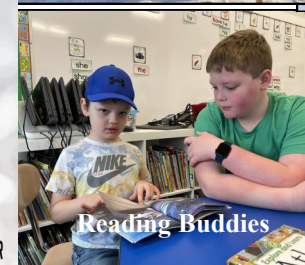
Friday, August 18, 2023
Pomme De Terre Golf
Course
Morris, MN

To Pre-Register email:
endowmentfund@stmarysmorris.com



What happened in 2022-2023??

- We had a fairly normal school year, meaning COVID was no longer really impacting our school year. Weather was a different story...winter sure caused a lot of late starts and days at home—more than we preferred.
- We had 4 new teachers this year. Mrs. Anderson in first grade, Mrs. Lhotka in second grade, Mrs. Rose in fifth grade, and Mr. Tolles as the Intervention/Discovery teacher.
- The Sixth Grade Class got to attend Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center for a week in February. It was a great group of students and parents that attended!
- We continued to work closely with Till360, Curt Slater and Joe Beckman on implementing Social Emotional Learning into our curriculum.
- Our Catholic Faith and Christian values remained at the forefront of our mission this year. Our school-wide theme was ***Let Your Light Shine***
"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." -Matthew 5:16
- Mrs. Rose also served as our school counselor. This was a great benefit to our students and staff.
- We had a very successful Annual Dinner and Auction! It was such a wonderful night of community building and celebrating our amazing school!
- Several community service projects were completed during this school year!
- We are offering a summer enrichment program for students to work on skills over the summer months.



Happening in 2023-2024

- We will work more on closing learning gaps. We will be working with Northshore Learning Consultants and Dr. Jessica Werner. Professional development and instructional coaching on differentiating instruction, providing meaningful interventions, and classroom management will all be worked on.
- We are happy to have Mrs. Rose continue as our school counselor as well as our 5th grade teacher.
- We will have a St. Mary's School Student Council in the 2023-2024 school year.
- Staff will continue to use the scheduled early dismissal days for professional development time. (School Strategic Plan)
- Many exciting opportunities will be coming our way because of the Catholic School Center of Excellence. Professional development opportunities, academic strengthening, and monthly STEM kits to name a few!
- We will have 16 students enrolled daily in our BEGIN Preschool Program. (School Strategic Plan)
- Learning standard tracking and evaluation will continue by teachers during the 2023-2024 school year. (School Strategic Plan)
- We will continue to work on recruiting new families/students to increase enrollment. (School Strategic Plan)
- Mrs. Eileen Albrecht will be returning to our teaching staff for the 2023-2024 school year.
- We will be working on a long-term vision/Strategic Plan for the school—new student/family recruitment and teacher retention will be at the forefront of this planning.
- St. Mary's School will serve breakfast and lunch for our students in the 2023-2024 school year.
- Believe and Read LETRS and Core 5 by Lexia is coming to St. Mary's School in the 2023-2024 school year. Thank you, CSCOE for this opportunity!



Some of the Service Projects in the 2022-2023 School Year

