

St. Mary School - Lake Leelanau

FAITH FIRST



Eagles Wings 2022

ANNUAL REPORT



Development Highlights

Letter from Our Development Director

I love Lake Leelanau and St. Mary School & Parish! I was raised here and this truly is a slice of sunshine, God has provided for my family and me. Our adult children, have taken skills and values that they acquired at St. Mary School and brought them to the different areas of the world where they reside. It warms my heart to see our little school echoing throughout in different communities.



I began volunteering in the Development Office in 1998 with Marlene Hahnenberg. In 2000, Jean LaCross officially employed me as her assistant. I worked with her through the 2002-04 Building Campaign and in 2006 stepped down to spend more time with our teenage daughters. I continued to volunteer and was available to help the Development Assistant run reports and other duties.

In August 2012, I was contacted to help in the Development Office. The previous Director had left in July. I took the position, having passion, knowledge and history of the job.

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my eye upon you."

Psalm 32:8

Twenty-four years later, 10 of those years in the Director position, I have decided to close this chapter of my life. I have forged wonderful bonds of friendship and will continue to enjoy all of the delightful people I have met on this journey. It is a bittersweet good bye; this truly is a wonderful community.

In Christ's Peace,
Paula Korson

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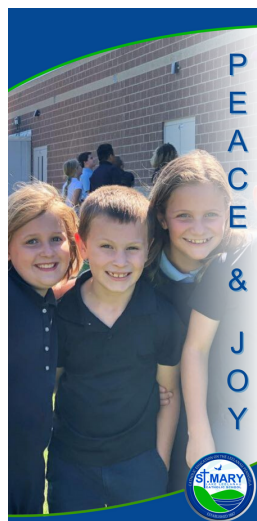
Bishop Jeffrey Walsh, his dog Sam with Principal Megan Glynn

Professional Development

Our St. Mary teachers joined the Diocese of Gaylord teachers in a Staff Convocation on September 23rd. The guest speaker, Mike Schmoker, has written several books & articles and has spoken across the United States, Canada, Australia, Jordan & China. He spoke on the basics of Reading & Writing and ways to incorporate it into all classes for successful students. Bishop Walsh celebrated Mass with the teachers and joined them for lunch.



"It was wonderful to collaborate with other teachers at the grade levels we teach, to share the joys and teaching methods of the age groups, was enlightening." SM Teachers



Two teachers attending a reading conference this past spring, suggested speakers for St. Mary Staff Professional Development days. They talked about fostering "joy" in the staff, which filters down to the students, and into the families. The staff is reading *Positive Mindset Habits for Teachers*. They have an activity journal that they are working through in conjunction with the chapters. This takes place during our late start Mondays.

School Highlights

Car Raffle



Mark & Laura Bramer family (pictured on vacation this past summer) were the 1st place winner of our 24th Annual Car Raffle Fundraiser. The Bramer family chose the Grand Prize of \$25,000 over the vehicle voucher. Proceeds support Teacher's Salaries & Benefits, Building Operations & Maintenance, and Classroom Needs.

Bishop Visit



Bishop Jeffrey Walsh's episcopal ordination and installation as the sixth bishop of Gaylord took place on March 4, 2022 at Saint Mary, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Cathedral in Gaylord. Bishop Walsh visited St. Mary School in May bringing his dog, Sam. The Bishop stopped by all the classrooms, and Sam received much affection. What a wonderful experience for our students!

Welcome Miss Sarah Chouinard!

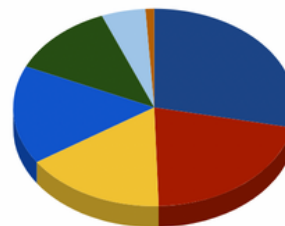
Miss Sarah Chouinard graduated from St. Norbert College, De Pere, WI, where she played basketball and received the 2022 Exemplary Leadership Award. Miss Chouinard was born and raised in Traverse City, and is a graduate of St. Francis High School. She is most excited about providing a strong foundation for her students education and guiding them in a closer relationship to God. Miss Chouinard has an infectious smile, enjoys reading, outdoor activities and of course basketball! Please join us in welcoming her to our St. Mary School Community.



Operations Statement for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022

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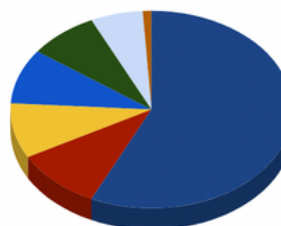
Tuition, Fees & Scholarships	28%	735,730
Grants & Restricted Contributions	21%	539,084
Pandemic Relief Funding	16%	428,382
Fundraising & Contributions	16%	423,891
Parish Support	12%	326,163
Student Programs Revenue	5%	131,056
Other	1%	36,857
100%		2,621,164



- Tuition, Fees & Scholarships
- Grants & Restricted Contributions
- Pandemic Relief Funding
- Fundraising & Contributions
- Parish Support
- Student Programs Revenue
- Other

EXPENSES

Wages & Benefits	57%	1,355,480
Maintenance, Transportation, Insurance & Utilities	10%	238,560
Scholarships Awarded	9%	217,789
Athletics & Food Service	9%	219,801
Facilities, Technology & Capital Improvements	8%	178,449
Classroom & Administrative Expenses	6%	136,869
Other	1%	23,499
100%		\$2,370,446



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- Athletics & Food Service
- Facilities, Technology & Capital Improvements
- Classroom & Administrative Expenses
- Other



We Are St. Mary

Our Students Stand Up & Stand Out



Middle and high school students get together with Fr. Ben to learn about ministry opportunities in the church. Students are able to help as Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers and Music Cantors.



The theme of the 6th & 7th grade retreat was "Be a Joyful Servant." The day's activities included attending Mass, making thank you cards for their parents, bracelets that reflected the Fruits and Gifts of the Holy Spirit, choosing prayer partners (a person the students will pray for all year as part of their intentions), and quiet prayer time in the chapel.



The juniors and seniors traveled to Notre Dame to see the stage production of *West Side Story*. They toured the campus and attended Mass at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. From there, they headed north to Kalamazoo to attend the Western Michigan University production of *The Tempest*. This opportunity was funded by generous donors.

Field trips are back!

Our eighth graders had a great time on Mackinac Island exploring the island and visiting Fort Mackinac.



Our high school students volunteer at the Bayshore Marathon in Traverse City.

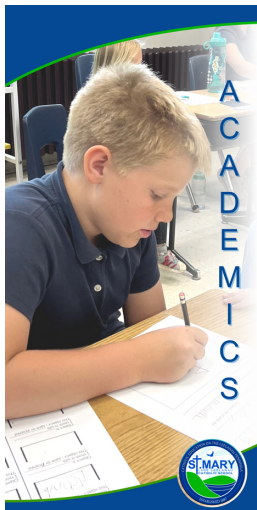


Each 8th grade student made calls inviting community members that live by themselves to join them for lunch. The students chopped vegetables and made a delicious luncheon of soup and salad. They joined the individuals and even played cards with them following the luncheon.

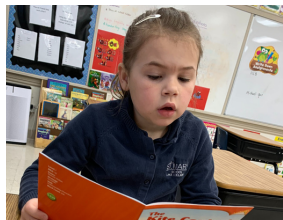
"Thank you for providing company and fellowship for my widowed mother, she thoroughly enjoyed it and was so appreciative." Rachel P.



We Are St. Mary Fly Like an Eagle!



New NHS students being inducted.



March is reading month



Our 2022 Class graduated this past year with a total of \$138,250 in applied scholarships between 12 students. We are so proud of our Eagles!



Outstanding student awards. Each year students are selected by our principal for exemplary performance in all aspects of St. Mary School!



12 different sports offerings available!



Boys Varsity Basketball made it to the Final Four in their division at the Breslin Center in Lansing!



Coed Varsity Cross Country Team



Varsity Baseball Team



Varsity Volleyball Team

Annual Auction

"Rock On" to St. Mary School Gym on November 5th from 6pm-9pm for a "Decades of Rock 'n' Roll"!



Cash bar, appetizers, dinner & dessert. Live Entertaining Auction, 50/50, games and select items this night only to bid on! Admission is \$25/person, includes one drink ticket, advance ticket sales preferred. Must be 21. Free child care available too!

Online Silent Auction: Bid on over 400 items online beginning October 24th, ending on November 5th, 2022 at 10:00 PM. Use the QR code to register & bid!



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School!



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