

## St. Mory School Quarterly Newsletter

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### Serve in Harmony

St. Mary School prides itself on being a mission driven school. Each year the students and their teachers plan ways to give back to their community. Teachers and students alike work hard to serve in harmony and help those most in need.

Service projects for students range from donation drives for Gregory's Gift of Hope and Five Loaves Food Shelf to eco-friendly recycling projects. Students visit local nursing homes to spread cheer through music and send hand written letters and cards thanking our civil service workers in the community. Students also make pillow cases for residents at Grace Place Shelter.

Teachers also are part of the commitment to service in the school's mission. Staff and faculty can be seen volunteering at Ruby's Pantry, Five Loaves Food Shelf, Happy Kids Backpack Program, and giving blood at local Red Cross Drives. Service at St. Mary School also extends internationally with a school supply drive for a school in the Dominican Republic and field trips to Feed My



Starving Children.

St. Mary Student Council is active in service also by serving Catholic Formation Dinners, packing backpacks for the Happy Kids Backpack Program and working the annual Empty Bowls fundraiser.

Through the commitment of service we are fulfilling the school's mission of caring for all of God's creation.



#### Upcoming Events:

March 11-18 Spring Break

March 29 End of 3rd Quarter

April 5 3rd Quarter Honors Mass and Personal Best

April 16 - May 10 MAP Testing

May10 Spring Play at Gem Theater

May 31 Prayer Partner Tea

June 5 8th Grade Graduation

June 6 Last Day for Students

June 7 Last Day for Teachers

June 17 Alumni Golf Tournament

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**MISSION:** St. Mary School serves the parishes of Immaculate Conception Church of the Blessed Virgin, St. Patrick's of Erin Prairie, the New Richmond community, and the surrounding areas. St. Mary School exists to pass on the values and teachings of the Roman Catholic Church and is open to all families of faith who accept the philosophies and mission of St. Mary School.

St. Mary School students, preschool through eighth grade, **grow in knowledge** through having their needs and abilities met by nurturing and compassionate staff. Students grow in faith by having God placed in the center of learning. Dedicated staff are devoted to students realizing their potential as God's children. All are welcome to **follow in faith** as members of God's kingdom.

Our mission call us as teachers, parishioners, parents, and student to **serve in harmony** by being active members of our communities and promoting Catholic values through civic responsibility, charity, leadership, peace, and tolerance.

### Mary's Make-over

St. Mary School was approached with a generous donation made in memory of a family's loved one. They wanted the donation to be used for something that the students would be able to see every day.

In mid-November the school's 5 foot statue of the Virgin Mary was loaded into Mrs. Jarchow's vehicle as students and staff said a prayer and sang a song of farewell. Mary was then driven to St. Paul Fabrication where the statue would begin a restoration process. Once arriving at St. Paul Fabrication it was learned that the statue was over a 100 years old and was most likely from the original school built in 1891. The restoration process would repair the broken fingers of the statue, all nicks and dents, and a full repainting of the statue.

Mary returned to the school on February 28th and was greeted in

song by all of the students and staff as she returned to her pedestal in the main office.





The average cost to educate a student at St. Mary School is \$6,488 and tuition for the 2018-2019 school year was \$2,895 ~ the difference is covered by the parishes of Immaculate Conception & St. Patrick's, grants, and generous gifts from donors.

### Save the Date!

Mark your calendars for Monday, June 17, 2019 for the funniest day of the summer! The 5th Annual St. Mary Alumni Golf Tournament will be held at the New Richmond Golf Course. Grab some friends and register your team. It is an afternoon of golf, fun, and more laughs than most people can handle. It is also a great way to catch up with friends you haven't seen in a while. Watch the St. Mary School website and Facebook page for more details.



# One for the Records!

Catholic Schools Week 2019 is one for the record books! The students opened the week with singing at the Sunday Masses. However on Monday Mother Nature decided to send us a polar vortex, and we had four days of school closing due to extreme cold and ice. The kids came back on Friday to start the week of activities with most scheduled for the following week. Mother Nature wasn't done and continued to plague the school with additional days off and a couple of late starts. The students and staff finally planned/rescheduled finished the activities on February 22nd! Below are a few of the fun activities.



Saint Presentations



**Talent Show** 

Snake Discovery sponsored by First National Community Bank



### Alumni: Meredith Jarchow

Meredith graduated magna cum laude this past May from The College of St. Benedict & St. John's University (CSB/SJU), where she majored in Political Science with a minor in Communication. She completed an honors senior thesis, titled "Logged on for Democracy: The Relationship between Digital Media and Offline Political Participation over Time." During her time at CSB/SJU, Meredith studied abroad in Salzburg Austria for a semester, was a part of the summer internship program in Washington, D.C., played competitive club rugby, and was Editor-in-Chief for the on campus newspaper, The Record. During college she was awarded various scholarships including the Trustees Scholarship, Saint's Scholarship, and the Anderson Window's Scholarship, and was inducted into



the Pi Sigma Alpha Academic Honor Society.

Only four days after graduating Meredith started as a Marketing Strategist at IMGE, a digital media marketing firm in the Washington, D.C. area. She hopes to return to school in the coming years to pursue a Masters of Public Administration degree.

Meredith Jarchow is a 2010 St. Mary School graduate.



Mardi Gras 2019

#### A FAN-tastic Night!



Activities of the night included dinner, dancing, silent & live auctions, and a trip to the penalty box for some!

### A Note from the Principal

#### Dear Graduates, Parents, Supporters, and Friends,

St. Mary School is working hard to be a fully mission driven school. The faculty and Ministry of Education are regularly reviewing the mission statement and ensuring that decision making is based and centered on the mission statement.

By working to be a mission driven school we have grown in knowledge by adding new curriculum for students and increased the opportunities for staff professional development. The school has followed in faith by adding more worship and prayer opportunities for students and staff. We have continued to serve in harmony by adding many more service projects in the New Richmond community and have expanded into projects that extend globally to the world around us.

By being a mission driven school ensures that we are keeping Catholic identity and Gospel teachings at the center of all we do.

God bless,

Mrs J





St. Mary Alumni Picture



A BIG thank you to the volunteers who made the night GREAT!



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### ST. MARY SCHOOL

### Now Accepting Registration for 2019-2020



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