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Grow, Follow, Serve

IMPACT OF A ST. MARY SCHOOL EDUCATION

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



I attended St. Mary's K-8 and credit my success in high school and college to this school. I can only imagine what it's like to be in the education field during a pandemic, so I tip my hat to all the teachers, administrators, and staff there!

Facebook Review

St. Mary School has been growing students for over 130 years in the New Richmond Community

St. Mary School strives to bring each student to the realization they are a child of God with unique and special talents and that each is important and worthy of love from parents, peers, church, and community. Students will be prepared to become productive, virtuous citizens and church leaders who will fashion a more humane and just world.

Upcoming Events:

- February 26
Mardi Gras Gala
- March 21
Professional Learning Day - No School for Students
- March 28 - April 1
Spring Break - No School
- April 15 - 18
Easter Break
- April 28
Spring Program
- May 30
Memorial Day - No School
- June 1
8th Grade Graduation
- June 2
Last Day for Students
- June 20
SMS Golf Tournament

CONSIDER INCLUDING ST. MARY SCHOOL IN YOUR ESTATE PLANS

A gift to St. Mary School can have a lasting impact on the future of Catholic Education in New Richmond. Contact Mrs. Jarchow for help guiding you through this process.



Annual Alumni Hero Campaign

Please complete this form and include when mailing your Hero Campaign Donation (addressed envelope is included)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Sponsorship Level

- _____ \$5,000 Platinum Sponsor
_____ \$2,500 Gold Sponsor
_____ \$1,000 Silver Sponsor
_____ \$500 Saints Sponsor
_____ \$250 GrowFollowServe Sponsor
_____ Other Amount



The "GAP"

The "GAP" in Catholic education is the cost it takes to educate students each year that is not covered by the parish subsidy. Last school year it cost approximately \$5,544.11 to educate each student at St. Mary School. The "GAP" between parish subsidy and the cost to educate a student is covered by fundraising, grants, and donations.

Last year due to COVID-19 St. Mary School was unable to hold their annual Mardi Gras Gala and began the Hero Campaign to help cover the "GAP". The school was blessed with many generous donations and were able to cover the "GAP" and provide an education of excellence to all students.

St. Mary School would like to continue the Hero Campaign with those of you who live far and wide and are unable to attend our yearly gala. Please prayerfully consider St. Mary School in your yearly giving budget. It is the goal of the school to grow the endowment fund to help the school become financially secure for generations to come.

Partner with us in becoming a St. Mary School hero. We are so grateful for all you have already done to support our school and know that we wouldn't be where we are today without support like yours.

To make a contribution of any amount, you can give electronically via our website (st-marysschool.com) by clicking on Fundraisers, Donate Now and selecting Hero Campaign, or you can mail or hand deliver to the school office at:

**St. Mary School
Hero Campaign
257 S. Washington Ave.
New Richmond, WI 54017.**

Thank you in advance for your support!

High Test Scores

St. Mary School students grades 1 - 8 take the Measures of Academic Progress (MAPs) Test three times yearly in the areas of Reading & Math and twice yearly in Language Usage and Science.

Scores after the winter testing session show 89.7% of students tested are at or above grade level in math and 88.9% of students tested are at or above grade level in reading. There are many grades that have 100% of the students at or above grade level. The results of these assessments are used to create individual learning plans for each student who attends the school.

This is an excellent example of the high standard of education received by students at St. Mary School.



Mrs. Clobes is the reigning champion in the Faculty Pizza Eating Contest held during the Catholic Schools Week pep fest! Hopefully Mrs. Clobes will hang on to the title at next year's competition.

Catholic Schools Week

The students had a great time celebrating Catholic Schools Week. It has been a few years since we have had a “normal “ celebration. This year the school was able to bring back a few of the traditional celebrations and activities. On the Monday students and staff kicked the week off with pajama day and a pep fest that included prayer, a faculty pizza eating contest, and a Nun Dance dance-off between the 7th and 8th graders.

Tuesday was tropical day which had the students dreaming of warmer temperatures while Mother Nature was keeping the outside temperature way below zero! Also on Tuesday the upper grades students went bowling while the younger grades participated in the Art Extravaganza. Wednesday the Mass with Bishop Powers was lived streamed to the four Catholic Schools in St. Croix County. The teachers and students are hoping next year they will be able to travel to the Mass once again. Student Council also served up a delicious treat of hot chocolate to



students and staff on Wednesday.

Thursday brought an all-school field trip to the movie theater with everyone enjoying a little bit of popcorn during the show. The dress-up theme was decades day. There was a lot of imagination used for many costumes!

Friday brought the close of the week with class color day, Faith Friend Bingo, and the upper grades' presentation of Festival of Nations. Each day of the week there was a Catholic School Trivia Question. Students learned interesting facts through the questions.

The students also donated food all week and were able to raise 667 pounds for the local food shelf. Since the students surpassed their goal of 500 pounds they earned a non-uniform day and Mrs. Jarchow wears the uniform skirt and polo for the day!

A Note From The Principal

Dear Graduates, Parents, Supporters, & Friends,

As the second year of COVID continues, I see many blessings within our school. Our students are receiving a Christ-centered education, teachers and staff are supportive of each other, and our enrollment continues to grow. We have had a number of students transfer to St. Mary School this year and our Kindergarten class for 2022-2023 is almost full. The school is closing in on having a number of classes at full capacity with anticipated waiting lists.

I am excited to announce that the school was awarded a grant to purchase two hydroponic gardens. Once the gardens arrive, staff and students will be living the school's mission by growing fresh vegetables for the local homeless shelter and flowers for area care facilities. Please pray that we are successful in our green-thumb endeavors.

Blessings,

Mrs. J.



4th - 8th Graders enjoyed tropical day & a bowling field trip.



Students loved the free exploration of the Art Extravaganza event!



On Wednesday the Student Council served a hot chocolate treat to students & staff.



Students enjoyed a bean bag tournament in the gym.



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Registration for 2022-2023 is OPEN!



Call the school office at (715) 246-2469 for information