# School of St. Mary

2018-2019

Annual Fund Report













8th Grade learning how to Square Dance while the other grades have their Halloween parties.



Show and tell at the PGC!

### Our Mission

In 1875, the Church of St. Mary began in a frame building sixty feet long and thirty feet wide. In 1910, this original frame was replaced with a brick structure.

In 1917, the parish opened a school on the site with an enrollment of 125 students. The school increased its space with an addition in 1958. By the 1990s, the increasing population of the School of St. Mary warranted further expansion. A new Primary Grade Center opened in 1997. Today, St. Mary's parish facilities encompass six buildings and approximately twelve acres of property on two campuses.

Located in beautiful Lake Forest, Illinois, thirty miles north of Chicago, the School of St. Mary has grown into two campuses. Currently, we educate over 375 students beginning in our three-year-old preschool program and continuing through eighth grade.

The School of St. Mary is recognized by the United States Department of Education as a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence.

The School of St. Mary is acknowledged by the Illinois State Board of Education for being in compliance with guidelines for state recognition.

The mission of Catholic education is to nurture discipleship that leads to transformation and growth on both the personal and collective level. At every step of the way, students in Catholic schools are guided and cared for by leaders and teachers committed to the holistic development of the young through religious instruction, virtue development and service to the community.

The School of St. Mary is very involved in providing service to our beloved community. Caring for others remains integral to the mission of the School of St. Mary. Service is an essential and meaningful aspect of each student's Catholic education — an experience of both giving and receiving from those served.

Our Service Program fosters a greater awareness of the varying needs of the wider community and encourages appropriate personal responses to these needs. Parental involvement, a crucial component of our service program, provides students with Christian role models and promotes students' personal desires to serve others.



Students praying the rosary every Friday during the month of October.

### Thank you for Investing in Our School

Fall 2019

Dear School Parent's,

"Thank you", are two beautiful words that have deep and rich meaning. These two beautiful words are offered when tasks are accomplished, goals are achieved and efforts are successful because of the work of individuals coming together for a common cause.

The Parent's Association leadership is composed of people like yourselves, dedicated and committed parents of students at the School of St. Mary. They are your neighbors, yours child's classmates parents, people who know that supporting the school will further enrich and contribute to the quality education of our Crusader's from Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

The efforts recorded in this Annual Report are only possible because of the hard work, dedication, sacrifice and generosity of our school parents. Accept my "thank you" for all you did to further enrich and expand on the commitment parish and school leadership dedicate to the School of St. Mary. Working together, working side by side, and working together as followers of Jesus great things are on the horizon for the School of St. Mary, its students and Parent's Association.

God bless you and your families who are part of our Crusader Family!

Sincerely,

Fr. Mike Nacius Pastor

Fr. Mike Nacus

Thank you to all of our Parent Association officers and volunteers for a great 2018-2019 school year. Thank you for your dedication and service to our students, school, and staff.

The amount of dedication that these individuals have given is truly amazing. Without regard to any financial gain or personal glory, they have gladly donated their time, talent and effort to improve the lives of our children for the betterment of the School of St. Mary. Our Parent Association is an integral part of our School of St. Mary and its ability to serve parents, teachers, and above all – our children. The importance of their support is immeasurable!

Our Parent Association's assistance goes a long way toward bringing so many great activities and programs to our school's teachers, students, and families, and we sincerely appreciate their contribution. Our school becomes a better place when our parents are there to lend a helping hand!

Thank you again for being a part of our School of St. Mary Family!

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Principal

### To Learn, To Serve, To Lead

**To Learn...** Special Person's Day





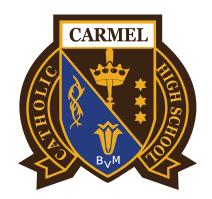
**To Lead...** Our dedicated teachers average over 13 years of teaching experience and many have over 30 years!



**To Serve...** 6th Grade Students Organized a Food Collection for families in need at Roberti House.

### The SOSM Experience...

Congratulations to our 2019 graduating class we cannot wait to see all you do...

















## Making an Impact on the **School Community**

Thank you to all our Corporate Sponsors who have partnered with us to make this school community as vibrant as it is! Their belief in a strong Catholic education and in community outreach is a great model for us all!





























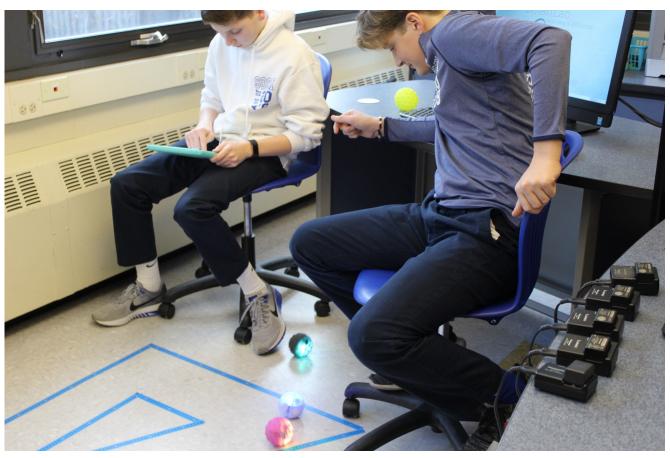










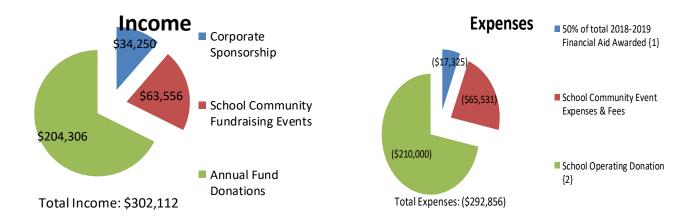


8th Grade STEAM Lab enhancing their curriculum by teaching students how to navigate ozobots with iPads!



Catholic Schools Week National Spelling Bee.

### The Impact of your Giving...



#### School-Year 2018-2019 Parents' Association Annual Fund Results

#### INCOME:

School-Year 2018-2019 Parents' Association TOTAL INCOME:	\$302,112
Annual Fund Donations:	<u>\$204,306</u>
School Community Fundraising Events:	\$63,556
Corporate Sponsorship:	\$34,250

#### **EXPENSES:**

School-Year 2018-2019 Parents' Association NET INCOME (3):	\$9 256
School-Year 2018-2019 Parents' Association TOTAL EXPENSES:	(\$292,856)
School Operating Donation {2}:	(\$210,000)
School Community Event Expenses & Fees:	(\$65,531)
50% of total 2018-2019 Financial Aid Awarded {1}:	(\$17,325)

- {1} 50% of Financial Aid awarded donated by Parents' Association & 50% donated by the Parish.
- {2} Operating Donation assists with offering affordable tuition to all families.
- {3} Cash surplus in Parents' Association Annual Fund at end of School-Year 2018-2019

STEAM Lab Ozobot technology and Epson Projectors for both campuses were implemented in our schools from Annual Fund surpluses in prior years for a total donation to the school of \$21,455.

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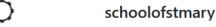
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