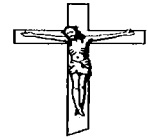


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Annual Report

2017-2018

St. Mary School: Shaping the Mind, Body and Spirit of Tomorrow's Leaders



2017-2018 School Statistics	
Enrollment:	93
Preschool (17)	
K-8 (76)	
Religious Diversity	
Catholic	52
Non-Catholic	41
Racial Diversity	
African American	7
Caucasian	79
Hispanic	4
Two or More Races	3
Economic Diversity	
Full Tuition	57
Financial Aid	5
Scholarship	31

Highlights of 2017-2018...

New Staff Members

St. Mary School was blessed this past year with two new staff members. Last August we welcomed third grade teacher, Mrs. Megan Studer who filled the vacancy left by the retirement of Mrs. Diana Hussey. We also welcomed Mrs. Barb Boothe who assists in the cafeteria. Both are wonderful additions to the St. Mary School family!

PRESCHOOL

Several positive changes occurred this year in our Preschool/Pre-K program. First, the Finance Committee approved a change in tuition to make the program more affordable and competitive. The strategy was successful, as we had a significant increase in enrollment. In addition, this year we offered a five day program option, which is also showing an increase for next year.

With an amplified awareness on school safety, it was decided to install an additional exit door in the Preschool room. Thanks to the dedicated Building and Grounds Committee, the door was installed this past fall. And finally, thanks to the generosity of the Altar Rosary Society, Knights of Columbus and an anonymous donation, the Preschool room is getting much needed new carpeting this summer.

LIBRARY

Stop by the school library to see the beautiful new chairs donated by another generous benefactor! They give the library a great updated look. While you're there, check out the shelf of books donated by the St. Peter's Class of 2003 in memory of Landree Rennpage. We are so blessed to have so many wonderful benefactors to the school.

Garden of Eatin'

Thanks to Kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Brubaker, we are planting a garden this spring! Mrs. Brubaker was awarded grants from Richland County Foundation and Richland County Youth and Family Council for students to plant, learn about and cultivate a vegetable garden over the summer months. Mrs. Brubaker and parent, Mr. Rodney Penrose will oversee the project. Several enthusiastic students have signed up to help throughout the summer. We are hoping the school community will enjoy fresh veggies in the fall!

Diocese of Toledo

Bishop:
Most Rev. Daniel E. Thomas

Pastor:
Rev. Nelson Beaver

Principal:
Susan Sanders

School Advisory Council:
Joe Jerger, President
Sandy Knox, Secretary
Ruth Bourne
Debbie Derrenberger
Rob Howard
Susayn Milano
Stacy Niemiec
Jan Penrose

School Improvement Plan Update

Throughout this past academic year, staff and students continued to implement school improvement goals and strategies. Test scores show growth and improvement in math number sense across the grades. Teachers track pre and post test results which helps drive instruction and helps the faculty provide interventions and enrichment activities when needed.

We also saw an increase of students' knowledge and understanding of the Church liturgical year. The student produced pamphlet that was recently distributed showcases what the students have been learning. Great things are happening at St. Mary School!

MAP Test Results

Measures of Academic Progress

Spring 2018

(Shown as RIT scores ~ shows educational growth from year to year)

Grade K	St. Mary Avg.	Diocese of Toledo Avg	National Avg.
Reading	157.2	161.7	158.1
Math	154.7	164.3	159.1
Grade 1			
Reading	184.3	182	177.5
Math	187.2	183.8	180.8
Grade 2			
Reading	196.2	195.1	188.7
Math	207	199.3	192.1
Grade 3			
Reading	204	202.3	198.6
Math	200.3	201.8	203.4
Lang. Arts	202.3	203.5	200
Science	200.6	199.2	195.4
Grade 4			
Reading	204.9	208.5	205.9
Math	211.5	210.8	213.5
Lang. Arts	213	215.3	211.5
Science	198	210	205.7
Grade 5			
Statistically unavailable			
Grade 6			
Reading	226.2	217.4	215.8
Math	227.8	223.1	225.3
Lang. Art	226	218.5	215.3
Science	218.4	212.1	208.6
Grade 7			
Reading	227	221.7	220.1
Math	227	231	228.6
Lang. Art	224.3	221.1	217.6
Science	214.5	215.8	210.9
Grade 8			
Reading	238.8	226	220.1
Math	238	237.4	230.9
Lang. Arts	229	225.9	219
Science	219.8	219.3	213.5

A Message from the Principal...

Dear St. Mary Families,

2017-2018 was a great year for St. Mary School. Many accomplishments by students and staff were celebrated!

Test scores reflect the great learning that happened over the year. In most grades, student scores exceeded the Diocesan and National averages. Our students' proudly represented St. Mary's in the County Spelling Bee, Academic Challenge, competitive sports, scouts, and at Parish functions..

Students and staff live our faith daily through prayer and religious education. We celebrated throughout the year with weekly Mass, penance services, Stations of the Cross, liturgical life year activities, mission projects, sacramental preparation, and many other faith activities.

We continue to be blessed with terrific students, supportive parents, outstanding teachers and staff members and a caring Parish family. It is through the collaboration of so many that

St. Mary students are challenged, achieve and continue to excel in and out of the classroom.

It has been a blessing for me to be the principal of St. Mary School for these past six years. St. Mary's will always be home to me, and I look forward to hearing about the wonderful happenings in years to come.

As another academic year comes to a close, we ask our Blessed Mother Mary to pray for us to grow in love, faith and students.

In His Name,

Sue Sanders



Farwell to Class of 2018

Best wishes to our five 8th grade graduates: Lauren Adkins, Madison Bland, Jordan Niemiec, Kristian Peters and Nathan Rall.

Spirit of St. Mary Award

Madison Bland

K of C Academic Student of the Year

Nathan Rall

Growing Together
in Faith

National Catholic Education Association Grade 8 ACRE Religion Test results

Fall 2017

(Shown as percentiles)

Faith Knowledge	St. Mary Average	National Average
	81.8%	75.6%
Four Pillars of The Catechism		
Creed	78%	72%
Liturgy	74%	72%
Morality	87%	81%
Prayer	89%	75%

The generosity of our students and families...

St. Mary Student Council ran a school supply store during the school year called the Panther Place. From some of the proceeds, they donated \$100.00 to the Wounded Warrior Project.

This past spring, staff members donated items for a Student Council sponsored raffle. Proceeds from ticket sales were donated to Make A Wish Foundation - \$437.00!!!!

