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January 31, 2022

Dear St. Mary's Community Partner,

Since 1923, Saint Mary Star of the Sea School has proudly served families from diverse ethnic, religious and socio-economic backgrounds from across Hampton Roads by providing PreK-3 - 8th grade students with a challenging educational program in a Christ-centered learning environment. As the cost of providing a high quality education has increased dramatically, Saint Mary Star of the Sea continues to serve the community by offering affordable tuition as well as financial assistance to students in need. Over 27% of our students rely on scholarships and financial support. Cost should not be a barrier to receiving a quality Catholic education.

To support our mission, Saint Mary Star of the Sea will be holding our annual Auction and Casino Night on Saturday, April 30, 2022. This is our school's main fundraiser for the year. All proceeds from this event directly support the students in our school as we are urgently replacing six AC units. We have set a goal of \$20,000 to meet this need.

We are offering sponsorship opportunities as well as donation requests for our Auction Event. Both an explanation of sponsorship levels and donation form are enclosed. Every donation will help towards reaching our fundraising goal. Our school is uniquely positioned in downtown Phoebus, VA at the entrance to historic Ft. Monroe. Your participation in our event will not only introduce you to our school's families and friends, but to a thriving and connected business community as well.

Thank you in advance for your generous support. Please contact me or Robbin personally at principal@saintmarystarofthesea.com or rciraulo@saintmarystarofthesea.com with any additional questions about our event. Your gift impacts the lives of our students!

Sincerely,

Sister Mary Cecilia Goodrum, O.P
Principal

Robbin Ciraulo
Development Coordinator