



SAINT MARY

STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL

Fall 2016

Dear Families and Friends of Saint Mary's, *Saint Mary, Star of the Sea, light of hope for me!*

I greet you in the warmth and light of our patroness, Mary our heavenly Mother. She is our light of hope, giving us the gift of God's Son Jesus, "the true light, which enlightens everyone" and gives us the "power to become children of God" through faith in Him (Jn. 1:9-12). When I speak to alumni who are recent graduates or graduates from 40 or 50 years ago, the word 'family' is heard as they describe their time at Saint Mary Star of the Sea. I think our patroness and the Gospel message her son Jesus Christ has taught us inspire the foundation for this experience. With the Dominican Sisters, the faculty and staff, education at Saint Mary Star of the Sea School provides the tangible experience for students to know and understand their dignity and identity as children belonging to God's family.

In this newsletter you will see and read about the unique 'family' experience the students receive in a variety of ways. From learning to make applesauce and sharing our waterfront classroom with our grandparents to providing food for the elderly poor and cleaning the bay, our students develop life-long skills of learning, loving and serving God and one another in the context of the family of the school and of the community around them.

My hope is for you to experience the Saint Mary Star of the Sea 'family' through this newsletter and through our grateful prayers for your generous and faithful support. You are a very special and important part of our school family. Whether you give financially, spiritually or through service, your dedication to keeping Saint Mary's Star of the Sea a 'family' for the lives of our students is greatly appreciated.

This year, our greatest need is tuition scholarships and funds to replace our outdated phone and security systems. Your contributions will keep our students safe and secured at Saint Mary's!

May God bless you and your families with the abundance of His love and mercy.

Sincerely in Our Lady, Star of the Sea,
Sister Mary John, O.P.
Principal

Art: A source of Inspiration for All

by: Elise Isom



As an art teacher, I am always on the look out for inspiration. Most of my inspiration is found when I learn about new things. When I read a book, explore a new place, spend more time in prayer, try a different kind of food, or even look at a new piece of art, I find inspiration. In the art classroom, I like

to teach students how to look for inspiration in the new things they learn every day.

I pull themes from across the curriculum to show them that inspiration to create art can come from anywhere; science, math, history, books, music, religion, or sports. In the past couple of weeks we've found our inspiration in reading stories, new artists, and different art techniques.

Third grade gave Picasso's cubist style a spooky twist by creating abstract portraits of witches. Fourth grade learned different techniques of assembling cardboard to create colorful house sculptures in the same style as contemporary artist Beverly Buchanan. Second grade was inspired by the famous children's book *Where the Wild Things Are* written and illustrated by Maurice Sendak. After reading the story and discussing Sendak's illustration style, second grade students created their own wild things in the same drawing style as Maurice Sendak.

At the end of the day, my biggest inspiration is the students of Saint Mary Star of the Sea. They are always showing me new things, surprising me with their joy for creating, and impressing me with their willingness to think outside of the box. I am so blessed to be the art teacher here where I am surrounded by my biggest (and littlest) sources of inspiration every day.



Field Trips Enhance Classroom Teaching!

The third and fourth grade students enjoyed a performance of the chapter book *Jigsaw Jones: The Case of the Class Clown* at the Roper Center in Virginia Beach. Third grade students read this chapter book in class before enjoying it live. The fourth graders plan to compare the musical to the book following the performance. This theatrical performance taught our students about honesty and the importance of true friends.

**Firefighter Shares Safety Tips with Preschoolers**

It is never too early to teach our children how to stay safe in case of a fire. Shawn Lazar, Battalion Chief at the Phoebus Fire Department and Facilities Manager at Saint Mary was invited to share with our pre-kindergartners and 3rd grade students some of his top safety tips. Our students left the classroom with a clear understanding of the steps to take in case of fire: leave the house, stay out of the house and call 911! Throughout the school year, Saint Mary's teachers across grade levels invite guest speakers who can bring to the classroom their expertise in a subject. Thank you, Mr. Lazar!

WHAT'S COOKING IN FIRST GRADE?

First grade teacher, Mrs. Veronica Drew planned a fun, engaging, and inspiring "cooking" activity to help her students practice a "how-to" writing process. Along the way, our little chefs also enhanced their math and science skills! After writing a list of ingredients and a step by step list on how to make a yummy applesauce, students took turns putting all the ingredients in a crock-pot... 10 apples, 1 cup of sugar, cinnamon and 1 cup of water. After several hours of cooking and occasional stirring, they all enjoyed eating their own yummy applesauce!





SAINTS TAKE CENTER STAGE!

On All Saints Day, 5th grade students took center stage at Saint Mary Star of the Sea School as they dressed as a saint, attended Mass, and visited classrooms to share interesting facts about the saint they were representing. All Saints Day is a solemn holy day of the Catholic Church celebrated annually on November 1.

The Solemnity of All Saints has its roots in the early centuries of the church, when Christians honored martyrs. Pope Boniface IV began the celebration of the feast day when he consecrated the Pantheon at Rome to the Virgin Mary and all the Martyrs on May 13 in 609. Pope Gregory III changed the feast day to Nov. 1 in the 8th century.

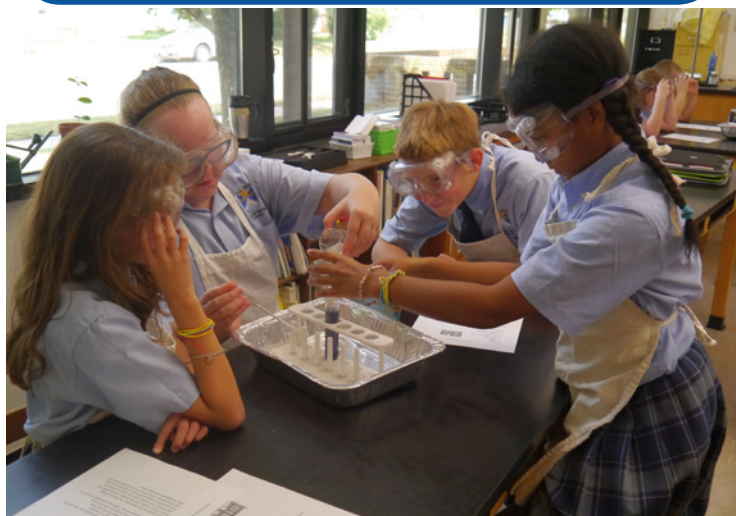


An Exciting Day on Our Living Shoreline

What an exciting day it was for our 3rd and 4th grade students as they ventured into the waters of our living shoreline to collect sea animals. With the help of several parents, students carried their fishing nets into the waters and retrieved fish, shrimp and crabs. Students also had the unique opportunity to "meet and greet" a puffer fish which was found in one of our crab cages. We thank Mr. Fierros for giving our students an awesome lesson about this particular kind of fish and its distinctive adaptations to defend itself. Saint Mary's appreciates the involvement of our parent volunteers!

Students Experience Chemical Reactions!

To experience a hands-on chemical reaction and determine if it was endothermic or exothermic, the 5th grade students in Sister Mary Therese's science class created oozing fountains in the science lab. Then, they accurately measured the amounts of yeast, hydrogen peroxide, water, soap, and food coloring to watch the exploding concoction rapidly travel up a test tube and overflow into a pan. Feeling the oozing product helped them determine the type of reaction they had created. Our students can now share their experience with explanations to anyone who taps into their oozing fountain of scientific knowledge!



CROSS CURRICULAR APPROACH TO TEACHING ENGLISH & HISTORY

Thousands of years ago, people wrote on clay tablets instead of paper. One example is the The Epic of Gilgamesh which is perhaps, the oldest written story on Earth. It comes to us from Ancient Sumeria, and was originally written on 12 clay tablets in cuneiform script. So, our 8th grade students who were learning about ancient cultures in World History went back in time to create and write messages on their own cuneiform tablets. The students, who were also reading the story of the Great Flood from the Epic of Gilgamesh drew parallels from this epic to the story of the Great Flood in the Bible. Saint Mary's is using a cross curricular approach to teaching so students can put the knowledge into context for deeper learning!

**A Hands-on Marine Science Project Gets Students and Parent Involved!**

The 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students volunteer to help Mr. Richard Fierros, a parent of two students, with a Mill Creek research project regarding blue crabs. Every week, they venture to the waterfront classroom during recess to pull up three crab traps with various baits of chicken, fish, and squid to determine the number of crabs caught, the size, the gender, and the number of legs on each. Then they clip a swimmer leg and release them to see if they will migrate back to the trap again, which reveals to the students the travel of these marine creatures in the bay. They have been collecting and recording this data for two months in an Excel document for future comparisons. Whenever a fish is caught in the trap, it is a bonus; whereupon, it is tagged and released, while sending the tag number to VIMS (VA Institute of Marine Science) in order to see its migratory path in future catchings by fishermen in other areas. These students are enjoying this exploratory hands-on project right in our own backyard!





Santa Maria Estrella del Mar, Reza por Mi!

October was not only Hispanic Heritage month, but it is also a month dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary. To honor and thank our Mother Mary for all she has done for us, the middle school Religion class students created different shrines. Throughout Latin America, there are numerous devotions to Our Lady, each with a different culture and story. The students printed out different images and decorated shrines to our Lady. They researched the country, the meaning of the devotion, and the feast day of their chosen Latin American Marian shrine. Santa Maria, Estrella del Mar, Reza por Mí!



MIDDLE SCHOOL TEAM BUILDING ACTIVITIES BOND STUDENTS

Saint Mary Star of the Sea encourages team-building in our middle school to foster good and friendly relationships between our students. This year, we divided our 6th, 7th, and 8th graders into three teams, led by the homeroom teachers for each grade. Their task was to create a team name, poster, and skit depicting their particular team. The students came up with some very imaginative names and skits! Following this activity, the teams battled it out in the gym with a few games of dodge ball!



Students Celebrate and Learn about Hispanic Culture from Miguel de Cervantes

In celebration of the 400th anniversary of the death of Spanish writer, Miguel de Cervantes, Saint Mary Star of the Sea School students created their own cabezudos (giant masks) representing the characters of this author's most famous literary masterpiece, Don Quixote of la Mancha. Students also met with William & Mary Professor Emeritus, Dr. George Greenia to discuss the life and works of Cervantes. Don Quixote, Sancho Panza, Dulcinea, Rosinante and the famous windmill took part in a parade highlighting various Spanish speaking countries as students celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month.

Saint Mary Star of the Sea School and OLMC Share Science Resources

Sixth and eighth grade students from Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Newport News ventured to Saint Mary's waterfront classroom in early November and will be back in the spring to explore the crab pots, oyster float, habitats, touch tank, nets, and more! While OLMC's students learn outdoors about the life in Mill Creek from our own marine science teacher, Sister Mary Therese, Saint Mary's students learn about the GLOBE program from the Mt. Carmel science teacher. GLOBE is a program measuring atmospheric pollution, cloud cover, and sunlight, which connects well with water quality measurements the students have been collecting. All data collected from the water and from the air will be entered electronically and shared with international databases for comparisons and for scientific research. This team teaching and sharing of knowledge and skills will make for a broader and richer experience for all students at Saint Mary Star of the Sea and Mt. Carmel!



Saint Mary Star of the Sea School Honors Grandparents!

Grandparents play an important role in our students' lives by offering their care, love and guidance. This fall, Saint Mary Star of the Sea School honored them with a Marine Science festival to give them and their grandchildren the opportunity to spend some quality time at school. Teachers planned activities, games and crafts and the Home and School organization provided them with a breakfast. This was a memorable day for all of our guests!

SAINT MARY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL STUDENTS SUPPORT LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

For decades, families at Saint Mary Star of the Sea School have supported a food drive to help the Little Sisters of the Poor in Richmond provide food for the elderly at Saint Joseph's home for the Aged. The school also holds an out of uniform day for \$1 to provide a monetary donation to purchase turkeys for their Thanksgiving dinner. Eighth grade students travel to Richmond to deliver the food and monetary donations and have the pleasure of meeting the Sisters and the elderly! This is a way for our students to give thanks to God and to share their blessings with the poor elderly!



SAVE THE DATE!

Admissions Open House
 Sunday, January 29, 2017
 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
 (Additional Open Houses in February)

Annual Auction & Casino Night
 Saturday, March 25, 2017
 6:00 p.m. School Gym
www.saintmarystarofthesea.com

Alumni and Supporters Recognized with Annual Awards

A religious Sister, a successful businessman, and a renowned scientist were honored this year with Saint Mary's annual awards in October at our Low Country Boil & BBQ.

The awards were established to recognize outstanding alumni and to show gratitude for exceptional service to Saint Mary Star of the Sea School. The following are the 2016 award recipients:

Sister Megan Maria Conway, St. Therese of Lisieux Young Alumni Award



Sister Megan Maria was in the Saint Mary Star of the Sea Class of 1999 and is the most recent of our graduates to be called to a life of consecrated service to the Lord. She credits her early years at Saint Mary's for planting the seed.

Sister Megan is the daughter of Chris and Frankie Conway, former Superintendent for the Diocese of Richmond Catholic Schools. Upon her graduation from Saint Mary's, Sister Megan Maria continued her education at Peninsula Catholic High School, followed by the College of Notre Dame in Maryland and Ave Maria University in Naples, Florida. She graduated in 2007 with a degree in political science.

It was while she was at Ave Maria University that she received a clear sign that she was being called to the Servant Sisters of the Home of the Mother. The religious community is an International Public Association of Faithful approved by the Church with a threefold mission: to defend the Eucharist; to defend the honor of our Blessed Mother especially in the privilege of her virginity; and to conquer youth for Christ. The community lives and serves in Spanish and English.

Sister Megan Maria Conway recently visited Saint Mary's and met with our current students to discuss her life as a Sister.

Dr. William Moore (Bill) Service to Saint Mary Award



Bill became involved with our school when he was asked to be a member of the school's advisory board four years ago. Since then, he has been very active on the board and is now in his fourth year as board chair.

Bill has also worked directly with our students by sharing his musical talents. He has led a choral club for students and plays guitar at weekly school Masses and other school events. Bill is a well-known professor of atmospheric and planetary sciences at Hampton University – and has generously shared that expertise with our students. He has been a special

classroom guest on occasion and has given our Science Club students the unique opportunity to observe the sun using a solar telescope.

Bill and his wife, Deb, have been generous patrons of our scholarship program and other special needs of our school. They are parishioners of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Hampton, and we look forward to their two young children joining our school in the near future.

Stephen C. Adams, Alumni Lifetime Achievement Award



Steve Adams attended Saint Mary Star of the Sea School in the 1950s and '60s, graduating with the Class of 1964. His mother, Jeanne Fuller Adams, was a student here a generation before.

Steve says about his years here: "The education was second to none. It was carried out by nuns and teachers who cared for you and encouraged you to do your best in all aspects of life. When you came to class you knew they loved you and only wanted the best for each student."

After Saint Mary's, Steve went to Hampton High School and then on to the University of Virginia, where he received bachelor's and master's degrees in accounting from the McIntire School of Commerce.

Today, he is a successful businessman in the Hampton Roads area. He is Vice President of Pomoco Group, Inc., and President of a subsidiary, Pomoco Developments, Inc. With the company, he has been involved in the expansion of auto dealerships in the community, and he has been responsible for numerous major residential developments in Hampton, Poquoson, York County and Smithfield.

Steve has served as a board member of the McIntire School of Commerce at the University of Virginia and is currently a board member and past chair of the Joseph Luter III School of Business at Christopher Newport University.

He is also active in numerous community and civic organizations for the advancement of our community. And we are grateful that he has been generous of his time, talent and treasure to support Saint Mary Star of the Sea School.

Steve has been married to his high school sweetheart, Nancy, for 43 years, and they have two accomplished sons, Stephen and Tim.



A Soccer Field is in the Works at Saint Mary's!

Saint Mary Star of the Sea School is developing a new soccer field across the street on Willard Avenue to provide students an area where they can practice the sport. The land, which was donated to the school by Dr. Oscar Wilde Ward in 2004, has remained unused for several years because of the cost to level the field. Last year, former parent and School Board member, Jeff Jorgensen arranged for trucks to dump dirt on the field. A few weeks ago, Kenny Jones Landscaping leveled the field and provided straw. This was done as an in-kind donation to the school, charging only half the price. In support of

its "Energizing Our Communities" Initiatives, Dominion Power also stepped in and donated \$2,500 to Saint Mary's for this project. To save labor costs, a group of volunteers from Dominion Power seeded the field and covered it with straw to protect the new seeds. Dominion Power gives back to the community it serves by identifying worthy projects and providing both funds and volunteers to accomplish an activity that will have a positive impact on the environment.

THANK YOU FOR TWO MOST SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISING EVENTS!

The tuition and fees at Saint Mary Star of the Sea School have remained stable during the past few years so families have the opportunity to give their children a challenging and faith based education at an affordable cost. Each year, Saint Mary Star of the Sea School also provides thousands of dollars in financial assistance to families who qualify. Thus, the need to fundraise and appeal to the generosity of friends, parents, alumni, and businesses in our community! With your support, the two main fundraisers hosted this year by Saint Mary Star of the Sea School raised \$18,500 to bridge the gap between what it costs to educate a student and the actual cost of tuition.



Our second Annual Low Country Boil & BBQ held this year on October 1st on our beautiful waterfront lawn helped raise more than \$8,500 for the scholarship fund. Approximately 150 guests enjoyed a seafood dinner and pulled pork BBQ provided by the Seafood Market in Hampton. Old Point National Bank was our major tent sponsor again this year. Other event sponsors were Hampton Injury Law, Inc,

Pincus Construction and Bull Island Realty. Although many of you were unable to attend, we appreciate the scholarship donations that you sent to the school!

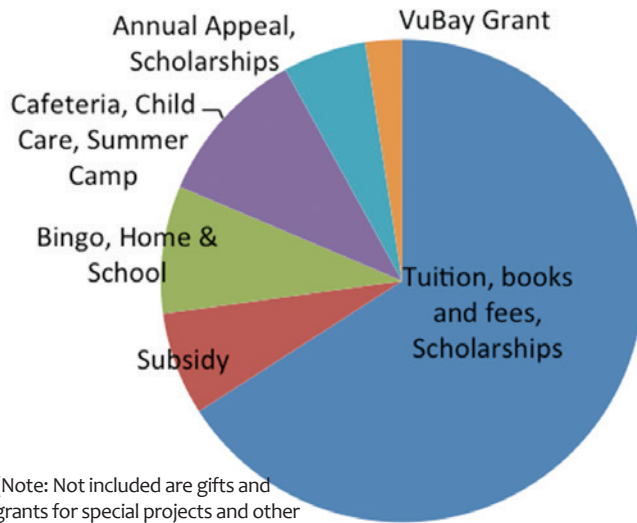


The Saint Mary Home and School Organization also held their Annual Golf Tournament on October 15th at the Woodlands Golf Course in Hampton. This was the largest golf tournament to date with 27 teams. We are appreciative to our community partners and business sponsors for donating so generously. The rescheduled date, due to weather concerns, was a blessing in disguise. Over \$9,500 dollars was raised for Saint Mary Star of the Sea School. We appreciate the sponsorship and corporate donations from: Gately Communication Co., Pincus Construction, Belote Home Appraisals, 3 Bowls of Color, Crabtown Bar & Grill, The Stellute Law Firm, Pomoco Auto Group, the Knights of Columbus, Multi-Print, Inc., Kevin Shea Esquire, Home Helpers and Direct Link, Robert Dreelin, DDS, Graphics 4U, The Brake King, Bull Island Realty, Hoss's Deli, and Dare Deli & Steamhouse and Coliseum Pediatric Dentistry & Orthodontics).

Thank you to all who supported this event!



ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT 2015-16



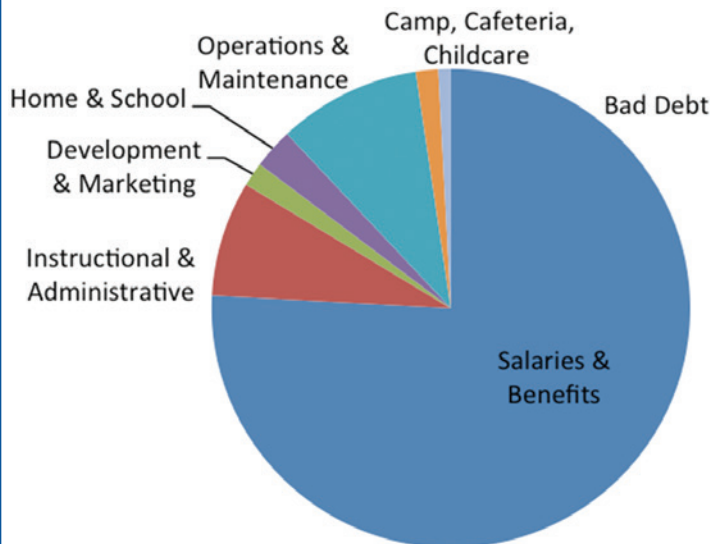
(Note: Not included are gifts and grants for special projects and other non-operating purposes.)

OPERATING INCOME & EXPENSES

Operating Income

Tuition, Books and Fees, Scholarships	804,790
Subsidy	84,445
Bingo, Home & School, Fundraisers	104,402
Cafeteria & Childcare & Summer Camp	129,171
Annual Appeal, Designated Scholarships	68,204
VuBay Grant	30,000

TOTAL INCOME: 1,221,012



Operating Expenses

Salaries & Benefits	952,687
Instructional & Administrative	97,794
Development and Marketing	20,452
Home & School, Fundraisers	34,112
Operations and Maintenance	121,277
Cafeteria, Childcare, Summer Camp	18,933
Bad Debt	10,596

TOTAL EXPENSES: 1,255,851

Saint Mary Star of the Sea School Advisory Board 2015-16

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How did your gifts make a difference last year?

A heartfelt thank you to all our donors who supported Saint Mary Star of the Sea School throughout the year. With your help, 64 students, or 38% of our student population received some form of financial assistance, totaling \$132,042. Your gifts make a difference in the lives of our children and their families!

THANK YOU!

CASINO NIGHT AND AUCTION GIVES TEACHER OPPORTUNITY TO HONOR THE PATRIOTS!



Many may have noticed that our street name in the circle has changed since the last school year. Saint Mary's kindergarten

teacher and her husband Bill purchased this item at our Casino Night and Auction last year. Mrs. Law decided to name the street after her favorite sports team- the New England Patriots! This auction item will be up for purchase once again next spring at our Annual Casino Night. (The sign was designed and donated by Saint Mary's alum, Keith Outen, pictured here with Mrs. Law).

SAVE THE DATE
Annual Auction & Casino Night
Saturday, March 25, 2017
6 p.m., School Gym

Farm Fresh, Box Tops, Tysons A+ Chicken Labels, Kroger and Major Online Retailer Support Saint Mary Star of the Sea School!

Each year, Saint Mary's is eligible to receive points and/or cash awards from Farm Fresh, Box Tops and Tyson Chicken labels. This is an easy way of helping our school without any additional cost. Here is how it works:

- **FARM FRESH:** Use a bar coded card that is linked to our school, so all purchases accumulates points that at the end of the school year may be exchanged for valuable school material. The program runs from September through May. Each time you shop at Farm Fresh, ask your cashier to scan your card. The school has plastic cards that you carry on your key chain. You can also mention the following code to your cashier: Saint Mary's code is: 41001 02125
We have cards available in the office. Please share with family and friends so we can earn more points!
- **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION:** Each Box Top is worth 10 cents to the school. All you have to do is cut them out from the eligible products and turn them in to the school office. They have an expiration day so don't keep them too long! Last year, the school received \$1,483.50 from this program to support the operation of the school.
- **TYSONS CHICKEN A+ LABELS:** Each label becomes .20 cents to Saint Mary's. Check all Tyson products for A+Project labels.
- **KROGER:** Saint Mary Star of the Sea School is now enrolled in the Kroger's Community Rewards Program. Kroger customers can register their Kroger card online at krogercommunityrewards.com and link their account to Saint Mary Star of the Sea School using the Non-Profit organization number: 875 66.
- **GREAT AMERICAN FUNDRAISER:** Shop online at gaschoolstore.com and use Saint Mary's code 4153409 and a percentage of the sales will come to the school.

Saint Mary Star of the Sea School was recently approved as an approved charity with a major online retailer. Find out which one it is by going to www.saintmarystarofthesea.com, **Support SMSS** and click on Cash Rewards Program.

NOTE! Campbell's Label for Education and Target no longer have a rewards program for Education.

Additional information on these and other programs can be found at www.saintmarystarofthesea.com, under **Support SMSS!**



**How did donors in the
Diocese of Richmond
provide \$5,000,000 in new scholarships
for Catholic school students
in just 3 years
and receive more than
\$4,500,000 of their money back
in federal & state tax savings?**

Virginia's Education Improvement Scholarships Tax Credits program offers donors 65% of their donation returned to them in Virginia tax credits.

Donors who itemize ALSO receive federal and Virginia tax deductions for charitable contributions.

Donating appreciated stock ALSO eliminates capital gains taxes.



What's great about tax credits?

A tax credit allows you to subtract the amount of the credit – dollar-for-dollar – from the total you owe the state in taxes, not from taxable income. It is not necessary to itemize in order to use tax credits. Use it like a coupon when you prepare your taxes. Tax Credits directly reduce tax bills.

What's different about this program?

Donations for tax credits cannot be made directly to a school, but instead must go to an approved scholarship foundation, such as the Diocese of Richmond's McMahon Parater Foundation for Education. Donors can then select Catholic schools to receive the scholarships. To receive tax credits, individual donations must be at least \$500 and no more than \$125,000. No limits for business donations.

Which students can receive these scholarships?

Students from families whose household income is less than 300% of the poverty level (for example, \$72,900 for a family of 4), or 400% if the child is disabled. They must be Virginia residents and entering K or 1st grade, or transferring from public school or from out-of-state.

Providing scholarships for Catholic schools means a stronger community and a healthier future for our Church.



The fine print...

Receiving tax credits for your donation requires that you complete a Preauthorization Form **BEFORE** you make a donation, to ensure enough tax credits remain available. Preauthorizations are then valid for 180 days, so you can file now in anticipation of an end-of-year donation.

For more information about donating scholarships through Virginia's Education Improvement Scholarships Tax Credits program, please contact:



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MISSION

Saint Mary Star of the Sea Catholic School educates students of all faiths from pre-K3 through 8th grade in knowledge and love of Jesus Christ. Under the leadership of the Dominican Sisters, the school develops the spiritual, intellectual, and social aspects of the students, preparing them for high school and beyond.

BELIEF STATEMENTS

SAINT MARY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL PROVIDES:

- a Christ-centered Catholic education and is a vital part of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Richmond.
- a safe and disciplined environment for all students.
- a solid foundation in academic and moral excellence, calling students to be the best they can be in every respect.



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