

Why Choose St. Mary School?

St. Mary School has so much to offer, much of which extends outside of academic excellence and extracurricular activities.

St. Mary is an extension of home. Faculty are dedicated to developing the whole child. So while St. Mary students perform extremely well on standardized tests and go on to perform superbly in high school, St. Mary means so much more to me. It is the gratification I felt when my daughter got a handwritten note from her teacher when she was out of school for a while. It is the satisfaction I felt when my family was driving through a bad snow storm and my daughter said, "Let's all say a Hail Mary."

It is the happiness I feel when I attend Mass and the entire school is there.

It is the warmth in my heart when a teacher asks how my freshman daughter is doing in high school.

I can tell you first hand that St. Mary School is a special place.

- Dana Saidman (class of '83, P '15 & '20)

Saint Mary School has made me the person I am today, has given me endless opportunities, helped me to develop myself and helped me to develop my friendships. Saint Mary's has been like a second home to me. It has given me the support I needed, and still continues to, even though I graduated last year. I know that Saint Mary School will always be there for me and that it will always be my home.

- Ellen (class of '15)

I like the small class sizes, nice teachers, and getting to know my classmates really well.

- Grace (class of '17)

I graduated Immaculate High School as Valedictorian and am a sophomore at the University of Notre Dame. My past success is attributed to my experience at St. Mary School. I walked into St. Mary School as a kindergarten student and walked out of those same doors nine years later with lifelong friendships, an outstanding education, a strong faith, and memories that will last a lifetime. St. Mary is not just a school, and I did not just receive an excellent education; it is a family and I was given a second home. At St. Mary School, I was given an education that extended beyond the classroom, with teachers and administration who truly cared about my well-being. Not only was I given the academic foundation to succeed, but I was also given spiritual guidance, which has provided me with a moral compass throughout my life, and for that I am forever thankful.

- Jaclyn Daly (class of '10, Immaculate HS '14, University of Notre Dame '18)

With God's grace, the St. Mary School community - its mission, its teachers, and its children - was the answer to our prayers for our daughter. She was welcomed with open arms into the 8th grade, secured her grammar-school academic fund of knowledge, enriched her Christian faith, and made lifelong friendships. I am a grateful father. I love St. Mary, and I love her school, and I thank her for answering my prayers.

- John Gelinis Jr. (P '14)

While Mrs. Johnson may be a full time teacher, I think she is a part time genius.

Lunch Bunch might be the greatest thing ever. Elena gets excited talking about the food she is introduced to in class. She's always liked cooking in the kitchen with me but I don't think it would be possible for me to inspire her to enjoy foods like rhubarb, kale, and sweet potato. Thank you so much for your great effort influencing her taste buds to appreciate real food.

- Peter (Pre-K parent)

Our daughter is enjoying and thriving as a Freshman at IHS. If it were not for the focused caring and committed educators and staff at Saint Mary School as well as an active parent community that takes a vested interest in all the students, she would not have been nearly as prepared to capitalize on all the available opportunities afforded her. SMS is a cherished and indispensable part of our family which we remain fully engaged in and supportive of.

- Erik and Ruth Apothecker (P '15 & '17)