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ANNUAL REPORT

2025

YEAR OF FAITH

Tradition ✦ Virtue ✦ Excellence



Saint Mary's Catholic School Mission Statement

The mission of Saint Mary's Catholic School is to invite our students to follow the Lord Jesus Christ as faithful disciples and to prepare them for outstanding achievement in high school and later life.

Our rigorous curriculum integrates academic excellence, athletic challenge, artistic expression, and character formation in service of the evangelical mission of Saint Mary's Catholic Church and School.



Save the 2026 dates!
Gala - February 28
Golf Classic - May 29



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Dear Family and Friends of Saint Mary's Catholic School,

On behalf of all the students and faculty of St Mary's Catholic School, thank you for your continued support of our mission to invite our students to follow the Lord Jesus Christ as faithful disciples and to prepare them for outstanding achievement in high school and later life.

St Mary's Catholic School owes our success to all of you in our parish and school community. Thank you for your time, your talent, your treasure, and your prayers. Your immense efforts have ensured that our school continues to grow and our students continue to thrive. Together we have achieved great things and will continue to do so for many years to come! Thank you for helping make St Mary's such a special and beautiful place.

Last year our Annual Fund raised over \$25,000 to provide tuition assistance to families in need, particularly those facing financial hardships; our annual Gala and Golf Classic together raised over \$243,000 towards the renovation of the plaza between Mercy and Gallivan Halls and the construction of a covered walkway; and our PTO raised over \$41,000 to support our teachers and to provide fun social events for our students. This truly unprecedented support is the greatest of blessings for our students and our school!

We are excited to embark on the 2025-2026 school year, and with your support, Saint Mary's School can continue to serve our parish and our students for the next 125 years. Please plan to join us for the **Saint Mary's Gala on 28 February 2026**, and for the **38th annual Saint Mary's Golf Classic on 29 May 2026**. Please contact our Director of Development, Mrs Sarah Ratcliff (sarah.ratcliff@smcgvl.org), for more information about tickets, sponsorships, or registering your team. We can't wait to see you there!

Thank you for being a part of the Saint Mary's family. May God bestow upon you and your loved ones every grace and blessing for your generosity and charity.

In Our Lady of the Sacred Heart of Jesus,

Mr Steven Zimmerman
Principal



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SCHOOL AWARDS

2009, 2020 National Blue Ribbon School
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FACULTY WITH ADVANCED DEGREES

43% hold Masters Degrees
5% hold Doctorate Degrees

SCHOOL POPULATION

315 students enrolled
200 families
4 parishes

STUDENT/TEACHER RATIO

1 : 15

CLASS SIZE

Average 29 students

CURRICULUM/CLASS STRUCTURE

PRE-KINDERGARTEN-FIFTH GRADE

Self-Contained

MIDDLE SCHOOL (6TH-8TH)

Departmentalized:

Religion, Language Arts, Math, History,
Science & Foreign Languages
High School Credits: English, Algebra,
French & Spanish

CO-CURRICULAR INSTRUCTION

Music, Art, Physical Education, Spanish,
French, Computer & Library

MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Boys Basketball
Girls Basketball
Girls Volleyball
CoEd Cross Country
CoEd Golf
CoEd Track & Field



FAITH FORMATION

Adoration
Daily Prayers
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Virtues in Practice
Weekly Mass
Mission Projects
Rosary Club
Sacramental Preparation
Middle School Retreats
Stations of the Cross

STANDARDIZED TESTING

NWEA MAP (Grade K5-8)
PSAT (Grade 8)
Assessment of Religious Knowledge (ARK) (Grades 2-8)

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Spelling Bee	Band & Orchestra
Oratorical	Mass Choir & Show Choir
Student Council	Parish Cub Scouts
Science Day	Church League Basketball
8th Grade Play	Youth In Government
MATHCOUNTS®	Beta Club
Lector Team	Coding Club
Yearbook	Art Club
Chess Club	Middle School Girls Bible Study
Fraternus & Fidelis	Middle School Boys Bible Study



WHAT'S NEW AT ST MARY'S THIS YEAR

This year marked a momentous and joyous occasion at St Mary's Catholic School as we celebrated our 125th year of forming the hearts and minds of our students. Our doors first opened on September 24, 1900, as Sacred Heart Academy: a parish grammar school and boarding academy for young ladies under the direction of pastor Father Andrew Keen Gwynn and the Ursuline Sisters.

From those humble beginnings, our school and community have grown and thrived. We have been blessed by the presence of not only the Ursuline Sisters, but also the Sisters of Charity of Our Lady of Mercy and the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia. Our school has operated under the careful guidance of eight different pastors and 19 different principals. Our campus has expanded to include eight different buildings, including the most recent addition of the Clinkscales Family Center.

Our student population has swelled to over 315 and remains steady, with waiting lists in several grade levels. Our standardized test scores (MAP) remain higher than the national and Diocesan average in every subject and in every grade level for the eighth consecutive year. Additionally, this past year, St Mary's students earned the top score among all Catholic schools in South Carolina on the Assessment of Religion Knowledge (ARK) Test which measures student knowledge and understanding of our Catholic faith. This academic excellence is made possible due



Seema Gallagher
SELECT Restaurant
Seth von Kuhn
Shana Upham
Shannon Anderson
Shelley Walker
Shops of Provence Etcetera
Sidewall Pizza
Skin Glow MD
Smith & James
Smoky Mountain River Rat
South Carolina Children's Theatre
South State Bank
Spare Time
Spinx
Springer Mountain Farms
St Mary's Council
of Catholic Women
Stacie Hogan
Steve and Kristen Armaly
Sully's Steamers
Sunflower Eatery
Sweet Gum Travel
Sweet June Floral Co
Table 301
Take 5 Oil Change
Taxidermy
Taylor Tiscareno
TaylorMade
Tennille Crnobrnja
The Altar Spa
The Anchorage
The Bakery off Augusta
The Board Housewife SC
The Cook's Station
The Elephant's Trunk
The Guirao Family
The Little Gym
The Nested Fig Home
The Quesnelle Family
The Script Shop
The Vintage Barber
The Warehouse Theatre
Thierry and Tanya Wersinger
Thomas Byers
Tim Zgore
TIN-BOT-TOO Studio, LLC
at The Shoppes Off Trade
Tippy Taco
Tommy and Susan Leong
Torch Cigar Pub

Total Massage Therapy
Trader Joe's Greenville
Trapped in the Upstate
Escape Rooms
Treasury Americas/DAO Vineyards
Triangle Construction
Two Men And A Truck
Tyson Foods
Upcountry History Museum
Upcountry Provisions
Vault & Vator
Vivian Jumaquio
WBG
Westbrook Brewing Company
Whitewater Center
Whitney Reed - Augusta Place Salon
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Jenna Voegele	Mani Pedi Salon	Papa Bear Carwash
Jennifer Anderson	Marco and Tamika Lang	Parkkonen Photography
Jennifer Mosser	Margaret Schmitt	Parlour Nouveau
Jennifer Van Gieson	Maria Cecilia Mazzaro	Patio Imports
Jessica Fisher	Marleylilly	Patrick Sawyer
Jianna	Martha and Mary's Workshop	Patrick Thomasson
Jill Sweeny	Martha McClure	Paul Gallagher
Jill Workman Smith	Mary Catherine Navarro	Phil Hyman Portraits
John and Devon Sharkey	Mary Kay Heffernan	Pinky's Revenge
Joseph Black	Mathnasium of Greenville Downtown	PKL Park
Joshua and Sarah Ratcliff	Matthew Couvillion and	ponderthought
Julie Angell	Ryan Whicker	Poppington's Gourmet Popcorn
Julie De Bruin	Matthew Smith	Portofino's Italian Restaurant
Kangaroo Jax	Mavin Construction	Post Consumer Brands
Kari Valente	McMillan Pazdan and Smith	Pracht Injury Lawyers, LLP
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Katie Harrison	Orthopaedic Surgery Pelham	Priority One Security
KBArt	Meg Carter	Publix Super Market Charities
Keith Jones	Megan Powell	Pump It Up
Kelly Nicole Photo	MG Grand Day Spa	Pure Fishing
Kelly Permanente	Michael Foley	Rachael Anna
Kelly Quesnelle	Michael's Janitorial & Floor Service	Rachel Branton
Kelsey Kuhlman	Michele Bryant	Rachel Falk
Kendra Scott	Mike and Bren Melonakos	Rachel Futch
Kilwin's	Mike and Cathy Spitzmiller	Rachel Tabor
King Kozlarek Root Law LLC	Mike and Dana Van Gieson	Raspberry Moon Skin Therapy
Koi Asian Bistro	Mike Miros	Rebecca Taylor
Kristen Durham	Model Trains Station	Reedy Residential -
Kristen Nowacki	MOTIVE School of Movement	Jennifer Van Gieson
Kristine Pracht	Musgrove Mill Golf Club	Reedy Rides
Kroc Center	NAI Earle Furman	Restore Hyper Wellness
KVH Consulting	Nail Style Salon	Rhiannon Poore
Kyra Zhang	Naked Pasta	Richard Curtis
Landscape Perceptions	Nancy Reyes-Guigou	River Street Sweets
Lanina Russell	NASCAR Hall of Fame	Riverbanks Zoo
Larisa Perino	New York Butcher Shoppe -	Robby Flink
Lars and Marisa Moen	Augusta St	Robert E Ianuario, PC
Laura Milk	New York Butcher Shoppe -	Rocky's Hot Chicken Shack
Lauren Noel	Pelham Rd	Roger and Alexa Quesnel
LeJeune Aesthetics - Bill Henderson	NHC Healthcare - Mauldin	Roger and Michele Bryant
Liz Wuhrman	Niagara Bottling Company	Roper Mountain Science Center
Lizzie Miller	Nick and Kelly Franchina	Ryan and Jennifer Duhe
Lowes Foods	NorseSafety LLC	Ryan Whicker
Lucas and Ashley Durham	North Hills Automotive	Saluda River Archery
Lucerito Reyes	Nothing Bundt Cakes	Sam Sterrett
Mackenzie Casteel	Old South Carriage Company	Sandy Rogers
Mad Smash Rage Room	Once Upon a Dream	Sara Shamblin
Maggie Morton	Parties & Boutique	Sara Walls
Maggie Robertson	OUBE	Sassafras Flowers
Magnolia Plantation & Gardens	Orange Theory Fitness	SC Department of Parks,
Main Event	Page Gambel	Recreation & Tourism
Mandy Gallivan	Palmetto Olive Oil Co	Scott and Madelyn Waldrup



to the tireless effort of the most talented, experienced, and faith-filled faculty in the Diocese of Charleston, with a combined 504 years of teaching experience across all grades (K3-8) and all subject areas.

And now, as we celebrate our 125th anniversary, we look towards the future. Our immensely successful Gala and St Mary's Golf Classic last year contributed the funds necessary to begin our next capital project: the renovation of the plaza between Mercy and Gallivan Halls including the construction of a covered walkway to protect our students during inclement weather. This will be a wonderful addition to our campus in both form and function, and we are eternally grateful to the charity and generosity of our parish and school community that made this project possible.

God has truly blessed St Mary's Catholic School, and it is our great honor to continue to serve the Catholic community of Greenville and the upstate. During these past 125 years, we have developed a rigorous curriculum and an effective pedagogy founded in Tradition, Virtue, and Excellence, which has borne great fruit for countless students. St Mary's graduates leave our campus with a firm foundation in their faith and well-prepared for academic, athletic, and artistic success in high school and beyond. May God continue to watch over and guide our school, our faculty, our families, and our students for the next 125 years and beyond. Go Ducks!





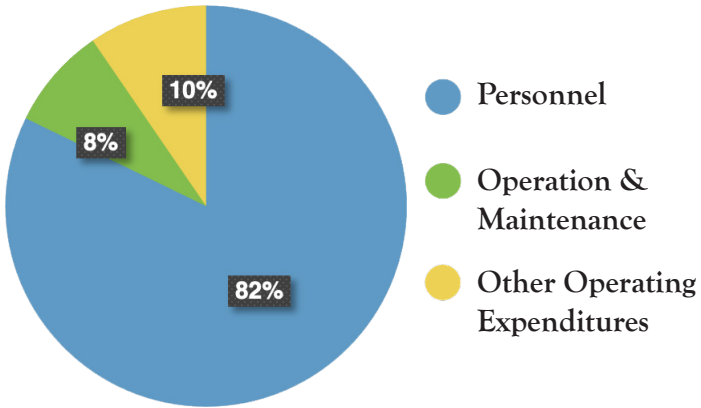
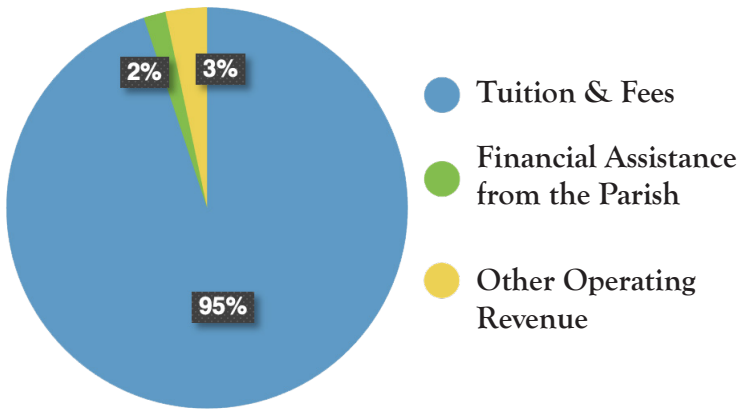
FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2024-2025

REVENUE

Tuition & Fees	\$	2,626,902
Financial Assistance from the Parish	\$	49,151
Other Operating Revenue	\$	92,525
Total School Revenue	\$	2,768,578

EXPENDITURES

Personnel	\$	2,269,120
Operation & Maintenance	\$	227,173
Other Operating Expenditures	\$	263,701
Total Expenditures	\$	2,759,994
Net Surplus	\$	+ 8,584



Golf/Gala : \$243,000

Projects Funded

Campus Improvement Project - Plaza Renovation
& Construction of Covered Walkway
between Mercy & Gallivan Halls

Annual Fund : \$25,000

Projects Funded

Need-Based Scholarships

PTO Fundraising : \$41,000

Projects Funded

Classroom Supplies, Teacher Needs,
Teacher Appreciation Week, Trunk or Treat,
Catholic Schools Week, Spring Fling, Library



A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR 2024-2025 BENEFACTORS

Anonymous	Cassie Scarpa-Kines	Fireforge Crafted Beer
3's Golf & Grubhouse	Chase and Brooke Lanier	First Team Sports
A Few of my Favourite Things	Chick Fil A Taylors	Five Star Baseball Camp -
Abbey Vitou Photography	Chick-Fil-A	Bill Henderson
Abigail Vitou	Children's Museum of the Upstate	Flying Rabbit Adventures
ACE Hardware	Chris and Ashley Rocci	Forge Search + Consulting
Alex Timmons	Chris and Katie Harrison	Frank and Trena Plavan
Amanda McEvoy	Christi Dumit	Frank and Staci Armocida
American Eagle Outfitters	Christina O'Connor	Fresh Market
Amy Kissel	Christina Smith	Friend of St Mary's
Amy Meridith	Christine Betz	Frigid Cryotherapy
Amy Waldrop	City Scape Winery	Furman Basketball
Anne Johnson	Clare's Creamery	Furniture Marketplace
Annette Wrenn	Clorox	Gayle Howard
Annmarie Howard	Coach Willis Holliday	Gerald Knight
Anthony Quartararo	Coffee Underground	Go Go Vacay Rentals
Antonietta Cotton	Country Boys Home & Garden	Goepper Burkhardt
Augusta Road Aesthetics	Courtney Malone Photography	Goldfish Swim School
Auto Bell Car Wash	Courtney Plyler	Grandfather Mountain
Barbara Ann Kelly	Critter Keeper	Great Harvest Bread Company
Barbara Herz	Crumbl Cookies	Green Valley Country Club
Bark Box	Culpepper Designs	Greenville Country Music Festival
barre3	Cuyler Monroe	Greenville County Rec
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Becky Horace	Darcie Humphries	Greenville Drive
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Big Air Greenville	David and Lori Knoblauch	Greenville Swamp Rabbits
Bikulege Family Foundation	David Waldrop	Greenville Symphony
Birra Nursia	Deana Blanding	Greenville Theatre
BlockHaven	Debbie Villazor	Greenville Triumph
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Health Systems	Derek Gracely	Harris Teeter - Greer - Store #291
Bouharoun's Fine Wine & Spirits	Devon Sharkey	Heart Ridge Retreat and
Bramblewood Stables	Dunean Capital Management	Cultural Center
Brian Moroney	Ed Stein	Henry and Mandy Gallivan
Bricks & Minifigs Greenville	Eden Farms	High Museum of Art Atlanta
Bridge City Coffee	Elena Blas	Hillary Molle
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Card My Yard	euphoria	Jason's Deli
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Carolyn Haas	Fatema Grindell	Jenna Mumma