

St. Mary's Catholic School held their 10th Annual Caribbean Knight Party on February 8, 2025. It was another great success with proceeds estimated at \$200K used to maintain affordable tuition and increase enrollment! Thank you to everyone who attended, donated, and/or participated in any way! Thank you to the committee (pictured above) for spearheading this event again (left): Judd ('98) & Jen Walter, Katie (Sellner '08) & Jake ('06) Bloedow, and Tim ('99) & Cassie Schwartz.

Congratulations to the raffle drawing winners: \$4000-Dean ('72) Ibberson, \$1000-Robert ('72) Peichel, \$500-Allan ('70) Berkner and Dave ('64) & Kathy Sellner, \$100-Ronda Mathiowetz, Holly Simon, Richard ('66) Sellner, Ann (Schmitz '84) Schotzko, Gary & Mary Jo Schroeder, Nick and Alicia Beltz, Dick ('63) Schroepfer, Cindee (Stimpert '79) Krzmarzick, Brian Mathiowetz, and Kathleen ('72) Braun. Save the date and plan to attend next year's party on February 7, 2026!

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Dear Alumni & Benefactors of St. Mary's School



Our virtue of the month at St. Mary's is gratitude. "Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. Give thanks in all circumstances. This is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Ths 5:18).

I am very grateful for a beautiful Christmas Season here at St. Mary's. The pews were full. People were joyful. I felt

it was very blessed. I was also grateful for the way people, especially alumni of St. Mary's, were so generous at the end of the year, giving to the school, to the parish, for the plaster repair/paint project and many needs we have. We have something very special here in our alumni - they are connected and they are proud. It shows by their generosity. Our generosity in giving is directly connected to our gratitude for what we have received.

This was something Msgr. Richter knew and taught.

As you know, Msgr. Richter passed away in October. He had such a beautiful funeral. He was a man of deep, deep faith and trust in the Lord. Jesus, I Trust in You. He believed firmly that God could not be outdone in generosity, and he led people to trust that if we are generous with God, He will always be more generous with us. Msgr. Richter led by example. He was so generous and many people received his generosity. And then he invited others to do the same. He was very hands on with St. Mary's and was instrumental in keeping the school going. In those years farming was not easy. But following his lead and encouragement, they were generous even in these hard times, and they discovered that it was true: God would not be outdone in generosity. Our sacrificial gifts bear great fruit.

Thank you Msgr. Richter - may we continue to practice and learn this truth: How much are we willing to give the Lord? He will not be outdone in generosity!

Fr. Craig Timmerman

IN TOUCH WITH ALUMNI

by Cassie (Bloedow '02) Everts

I can still remember the details of my first grade classroom, preparing for First Communion and the assemblies. The excitement beginning seventh grade, the uniform colors changing and finally having lockers. The tears and bittersweet anticipation senior year, graduating high school and leaving everything familiar behind while

embarking on a new journey. Leaning into the foundation that was laid and trusting as I went forward that God had a plan for my life.

Upon graduating high school in 2002, I knew that I wanted to study and learn even more about the Catholic Faith. Perhaps, it was the years spent memorizing the books of the Bible, learning all of the prayers or going through Church History. I went to college in Ohio at Franciscan University of Steuben-

ville, receiving degrees in both Theology and Communication Arts, TV/Radio. After graduation I began working as a producer at Relevant Radio, now today the largest Catholic radio network. It was at Relevant Radio that I met my husband, Aaron.

During the first eight years of our marriage we suffered the loss of five babies through miscarriage. It was a tremendous cross, filled with much pain and grief as I wondered where God was taking us. Although, I thought my faith was firm nothing shakes us more than when tragedy strikes.



After much prayer, God placed on our hearts the call to adoption. We found ourselves a few years later traveling to Ghana, Africa. Arriving, after delayed flights and lost luggage at 3:00am in a place where we didn't know the language, but finally meeting our sons for the first time on my birthday. Four months later, we were filled with joyful nerves finding out that I was pregnant, knowing how each previous life had ended. We prayed for a mir-

acle and trusted in God's care, at 34 weeks our daughter was born. Today, we are blessed with six children on earth, ages 2 to 15.

Through the trial and grief of miscarriage, I also found myself not knowing where or who to turn to. Several years later, I was asked to help co-author a book on pregnancy loss in the hopes of providing a Catholic resource that I was searching for during my own time of loss. Nursery of Heaven, published by Sophia Insti-

tute Press, is a companion for those who have suffered a miscarriage, stillbirth or infant loss. A book filled with the lives of the saints, stories from modern day couples and prayers for those journeying through a loss.

I am incredibly grateful for the role Catholic education has had in my life and the seeds that were planted at such a young age introducing me to God's incredible love. Each one of us faces difficult moments in our life, hardships unbearable to carry, sorrow too devastating to face, but in it God calls us to surrender and to trust in His providential and loving plan for each one of us.

UPCOMING CLASS REUNIONS FOR 2025

Class of 1965: 60-yr reunion-Sept. 13, at the Sleepy Eye Golf Club. Contact: Linda (Gehrke) Schroepfer 507-794-6842.

Class of 1970: 55-yr reunion-Sept. 20, at the Sleepy Eye Brewery. Contact Christine (Seifert) Hoffmann 507-227-5253

Class of 1975: 50-yr reunion-Sept. 20, at the Sleepy Eye Golf Club. Contact: Jeane (Tauer) Havemeier 507-227-4047.

Class of 1980: 45-yr reunion-Aug. 15, at the Sleepy Eye Golf Club. Contact: Doug Helget 507-381-1468. **Class of 1985**: 40-yr reunion-July 12, at the Sleepy Eye Golf Club. Contact: Kathy (Van Keulen) Haug kmhaug2013@icloud.com.

Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them

(Includes obituaries received through February 1, 2025)



Msgr. John Richter, 86, died on October 23, 2024. We were blessed to have him serving as our pastor and superintendent at St. Mary's Church and School from 1982-1998. After his retirement in 2017, he moved into Lake Villa Maria in Sleepy Eye where he served as the chaplain for Divine Providence Community Home.



Jennifer Blick, 44, died on January 24, 2025. She graduated salutatorian in the class of 1998. She is survived by her mother, Cheryll (Mertz '75) Blick and her sister, Kelly ('00) Blick. Miss Blick held many positions over her 20 years at St. Mary's School while assisting in the Development Department. She spent her last fourteen years as our elementary librarian sharing her love of reading with the students.

Robert "Bob" Reid, 72, died on May 7, 2024. He was a former band director at St. Mary's School. Frank Marti, 80, died on May 23, 2024. He graduated in 1961 and is survived by his children, Brian (Stacey) and Denise.

Sharline Fischer, 77, died on October 9, 2024. Sharline graduated in 1965.

Roxanne (Meyer) Fassbender, 68, died on October 16, 2024. She graduated in 1974 and is survived by her husband, Leonard and her children, Jennifer Marti, Brooks ('00) (Jodi) Marti and Adam ('09) (Lisa Seidl '11) Marti.

Joseph Zschetzsche, 68, died on October 16, 2024. He graduated in 1974.

Barbara "Bobbie" (Seidl) Stimpert, 90, died on October 29, 2024. She was a member of the class of 1952 and is survived by her two sons.

Fred Moldan, 65, died on October 29, 2024. He is survived by his wife, LuAnn (Helget '74) and their children, Jeff ('92) (Rachel), Marcy ('94) (Dave) Nesje, Dain ('05), Lisa ('07) (Nate Frederickson) Moldan, Lori ('08) (Tyler) Żollner, Molly ('11), Marisa ('11) (Ćody) Hledik. Charles "Chisey" Hansen, 100, died on November 7, 2024. He graduated in 1942 and is survived by his chil-

dren, Jan ('70) (Rod) O'Marron, Craig ('74) (Linda), and Scott ('81).

Allen Stavedahl, 76, died on November 7, 2024. He is survived by his wife, Shirley (Sellner '78) and their children, Scott (Tricia) and Stacy. Diane (Rausch) Windschitl, 63, died on November 15, 2024. She graduated in 1978 and is survived by her

husband, David and their three children, John, Angie and Erik.

Leonard Fassbender, 84, died on November 18, 2024. He is survived by his stepchildren, Jennifer ('96) Marti, Brooks ('00) (Jodi) Marti and Adam ('09) (Lisa Seidl '11) Marti.

Douglas Sellner, 58, died on November 21, 2024. He graduated in 1984 and is survived by his wife, Colleen and his children, Vannesa (Brad) Normandin, Shanice, and Shaylene along with his stepchildren, Catie (Cody) Armstrong, Curtis Wilson and Stephanie Wilson.

Kathleen (Monahan) Baune, 91, died on November 22, 2024. She graduated in 1951 and is survived by her children, Rick, Ron, Colleen Ruhr, Randy, Dan, Nancy Prahl, and Scott.

Albert Craddock, 68, died on November 28, 2024. He is survived by his wife, Jolene (Seidl '73 class member) and their children, Kelly, Terry, Cory, Nicky (Shawn) Kohn and Daniel Borson.

Ronald Zollner, 85, died on December 6, 2024. He graduated in 1957 and is survived by his wife, Jeanette (Huiras '57) and their children, Greg (Paula), Debra (Scott) Valcourt, Bradley (Heidi) and Jon. **Mary Bohnen**, 93, died on December 7, 2024. She is survived by her children, Brenda ('73) Guldan, Timothy

('74), Maureen ('76), Kevin ('77) (ReNaye), Pat ('78) (Missy Sellner '84), and Bridget Fischer. **Michael Seifert**, 74, died on December 16, 2024. He graduated in 1969 and is survived by his wife, Linda

(Schroepfer '69) and their children, Timothy ('10) and Kailey ('10). Linus Kral, 80, died on December 17, 2024. He graduated in 1961 and is survived by his wife, Janet and their

children, Sandi (Corey) Koop and Shaun (Shannon).

Mary Kay (Braun) Kraus, 62, died on December 20, 2024. She graduated in 1980 and is survived by her husband, Randy and their children, Jada (Beau) Brinkman and Jesse.

Gilbert Marso, 89, died on January 1, 2025. He graduated in 1953 and is survived by his children, Joan, David (Krys), Dennis, and Beth.

Lorraine (Pelzel) Tauer, 98, died on January 10, 2025. She graduated in 1944 and is survived by her children, Marleen (Jack) Hartjes, Dale, Doreen Snyder, Debra (Mike) Thronson and Jerry.

John Hauser, 62, died on January 27, 2025. He graduated in 1981 and is survived by his wife, Sharon and their children, Valerie ('09) and John ('11).

Jim Losleben, 84, died on January 28, 2025. He graduated in 1958 and is survived by his daugthers, Heidi Losleben, Amy (Ted) Garrity and Carrie (Dave) Harrington.

Melissa "Missi" Meyer, 53, died on January 31, 2025. She is survived by her husband, Ernie and their children, Dillan ('10) (Kahley Pelzel '11), Devyn ('13) (Duane) Christians and Dalton ('18).

Jim Schumacher, 89, died on February 1, 2025. He is survived by his children, Trude ('81) (Bob) Bartlett, Kevin ('82), Sandra ('83) Hoffmann, Jerry ('84) (Kim), Richard ('85), Roger ('87) (Stephanie), Gary ('88), Cheryl ('90) Borgen, Jill ('92) (Karl) Weiss, and Brian ('96) (Stephanie).

St. Mary's High School Presents "Little Mermaid"



St. Mary's Catholic High School presented *Little Mermaid* on November 15-17, 2024 under the direction of **Geri (Carr '02) Pelzel**.

In the Broadway production Prince Eric (McCoy Marti, son of Dell and Cindy) and his adviser, Grimsby (William Murphy, son of Craig & Amanda (Spaeth '03)) are aboard a ship, discussing the "mythical" merfolk. Eric hears a beautiful voice and commands it to be followed.

Deep on the ocean floor, a concert is being performed by the daughters of King Triton (Jack Windschitl, son of Gary ('89) and Rachel)), the ruler of the sea. King Triton's court composer, Sebastian the crab (Charlie Hoffmann, son of Andrew ('96) and Heather (Heiderscheidt '96)), has composed a song for the girls (Amelia Schwartz, daughter of

Tim ('99) and Cassie, Olivia Schieffert, daughter of Joe Schieffert and Ashley (Mathiowetz '02) Schieffert, Josie Helget, daughter of Rick and Becky (Wagner '92), Millie Lax, daughter of Mike Lax ('02) and Cheyenne Runck, Caroline Currans, daughter of Kevin and Marnee (Schwab '93) and Brynne Ibberson, daughter of Ryan ('97) and Deanne (Sellner '95)) to perform. However, the youngest daughter, Ariel (Reese Hoffmann, daughter of Rusty ('91) and Tiffany (Bertrand '94)), is not there for her solo, bringing the concert to a halt.



When Ariel returns home, King Triton is angered to learn that she



has been on the surface and reprimands

her. Ariel and Flounder (Kylie Pelzel, daughter of John ('01) and Geri (Carr '02)) go off to meet Scuttle (Nora Hoffmann, daughter of Brad ('90) and Lynn (Scheider '94)) and see Prince Eric's ship. A storm suddenly hits, tossing Eric overboard. Ariel saves him from drowning and realizes she is in love with him.

On land, Eric is determined to find the woman who saved his life, but his only clue is her voice. Under the sea, Ariel goes to meet Ursula (Natalie

Fischer, daughter of Adam Fischer ('01) and Melissa (Braulick '01) Fischer), who presents a deal where Ariel will be turned into a human for three days, during which she has to win a kiss from Eric. If she does, she will be human permanently; if not, her soul will belong to Ursula. In exchange, Ariel must give up her voice.

Eric arrives, but when Ariel tries to talk to him, she cannot speak. However, as they are about to kiss, Flotsam (Grace Hoffmann, daughter of Brad ('90) and Lynn (Scheider '94)) and Jetsam (Kiara Murphy, daughter of Craig & Amanda (Spaeth '03)), Ursula's minions, give the boat an "electric shock".

A battle ensues between Ursula and Triton, concluding with Ariel seizing Ursula's nautilus shell and throwing it back in to the sea. King Triton is returned to power.

Eric asks King Triton for his blessing to marry Ariel but says it is Ariel's place to answer, and she accepts Eric's proposal. King Triton then says goodbye to his daughter and declares peace between the humans and merfolk.

Thank you to all those who made this entertaining production possible, especially our volunteer set builders, set painters, costume and props committee, publicity department and box office.





The Knights of Olde held their annual gathering on December 6, 2024, at the Lost Spur Country Club in Eagan, MN. Pictured in the front row (left): Ron Haala ('76), Randy Krzmarzick ('74), Tom Koll ('70), Mark Lee ('67), Mike Schmid ('74), John Rosenhammer ('80), Dennis Mangen ('75), Dick DeBlieck ('68), Doug Baumann ('69), Lyle Mangen ('82) and Mike Schumacher ('76). Second row: Dan Baumann ('75), Tom Pelzel ('73), Wayne Pelzel ('68), Jerome Steffl ('52), Bill Eckstein ('72), Pat Ubl ('56), Robert Schroepfer ('56), Ed Treml ('56), Don (Toby) Schmid ('63), Kevin Tauer ('69), Bill Weber ('61), Robert Huberty ('55), Gerald Braun ('57), Ken Riebel ('63), and Chuck Hauser ('63). Back row: Tom Larson ('69), Gary Goblirsch ('62), Ron Witt ('68), Mandy Helget ('63), Dick Schroepfer ('63), David Gangelhoff ('72), Greg Fuchs ('72), Robert Peichel ('72), Tom Peichel ('60), Bob Broich ('71), Tom Ries ('58), Dave Runing ('58), Mike Hentges ('62), Richard Johnson ('60), Mark Schroepfer ('65), Franklin Johnson ('62), John Johnson ('64), Tom Schmidt ('78), Shelley Schwab ('68), Gary Hoffmann ('68) and Neil Mangen ('76). David Fromm ('68) was present but not pictured. We are grateful for their donation of \$520 to the Adopt-A-Student fund! All men who attended SMS are welcome to attend next year on Dec. 5, 2025.



43rd ANNUAL ALUMNI & FRIENDS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Thank you to the teams who participated in this year's tournament on December 28, 2024. The 2022 team won the tournament defeating the 2008-14/2016 team with a score of 73-64. Pictured front row (left): Brandon Wait ('18), Kaleb Wait ('23), Carson Domeier ('22), and Hayden Jones. Back row: Owen Weiss ('23), Jonathan Petermann ('24), and Trent Steffensmeier ('22). Third place went to the 2015 team, who beat the 2005-2006 team, 28-26. Our net profit from this event was \$4,041.46.

Thank you to everyone who entered the sweepstakes drawing! Congratulations to the following sweepstakes winners: \$550—Karen Helget; \$400—Scott Mangen ('06); \$300—David ('64) and Kathy Sellner; \$100—Ted Klein ('75), Kathy (Suess '66) Goetze, Jean (Schroepfer '70) Schmitz, Mary Woitas; \$25— Judd Walter ('98), Marie (Schueller '61) Weber, Gary ('62) & Judy (Johnson '62) Goblirsch, Marcella (Hoffmann '65) Bode.

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HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

Congratulations to Wayne Cook ('68) who was inducted into the Minnesota Softball Hall of Fame on October 26. 2024, after 35 years of umpiring softball. Wayne was one of nineteen men to receive this honor. (Submitted photo)



Congratulations Newlyweds Emily Reinarts ('16) married Seth Huffman on November 9, 2024. Bailey Rutscher ('17) married Dakota Krumrey on December 28, 2024.

Email Addresses Wanted!

Your classmates want your email address to share at class reunions. Please visit our website (www.sesmschool.com) and go to the Alumni page to "Join Our Email List." Thank you!

*** C O R R E C T E D *** ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT

July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024

Alumni & Friends Annual Appeal Fund Donors

Our total received during this fiscal year was \$150,661.16. Our goal was \$175,000.00. This fund helps pay for school personnel salaries. Thank you to the following individuals who contributed to this fund:

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St. Mary's Church - Plaster/Paint Project Thank you to our alumni & friends who have responded to our mailing with a donation or pledge to this project to repair the plaster and paint our church interior. The total cost of this project is \$2,800,000.

As of February 13, 2025, we have received: Funds: \$872,684 Pledges: <u>\$224,225</u> Total: \$1,096,909 Please consider a sacrificial gift before May 2025, so that we may begin the project in 2026. Thank you!