

# The BIRD WORD

Monthly Newsletter



## MARCH EVENTS

1 STATIONS OF THE CROSS

5-7 WCEA ACCREDITATION

8 STATIONS OF THE CROSS

13 END OF Q3

15 LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

18-22 SPRING BREAK

27 PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

27 1:00 DISMISSAL

28 1:00 DISMISSAL

29 GOOD FRIDAY/NO SCHOOL

31 EASTER SUNDAY



Pastor: Rev. John Kimani  
Principal: Melanie S. Chavez

MARCH 2024

## FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE

Do you think you can not afford a Catholic education for your student? Think again! St. Mary's Catholic School offers several financial aid opportunities to families that qualify. As a matter of fact, we offer The Archdiocese of Santa Fe Scholarship, St. Mary's Catholic School Scholarship, ACE, Kremer Foundation, Daniel's Fund, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, and the Father Rollins Scholarship. We also offer payment plans. We are currently accepting new student registrations for the 2024-2025 school year. Call the school at (505) 864-0484, for more information.

### Financial Aid Fun Facts

**45%**  
of St. Mary's Catholic School students receive financial aid

**\$141,818.00**  
was given to our students in financial aid for the 2023-2024 school year

### St. Mary's Catholic School By the Numbers

**97**-the number of years St. Mary's has provided a quality, Catholic education

**16**-the average class size

**100**-the percentage of students who participate in community service

**100**-the percentage of students who participate in STREAM activities



Saint of the Month:  
St. Teresa of Avila  
Virtue of the Month:  
Temperance

It's GREAT to be a Roadrunner!



SCAN ME

Learn what all St. Mary's Catholic School has to offer!

### Three Down, One To Go!

March 13 marked the end of the third quarter. Students worked hard during quarter three and plan on continuing their hard work for the rest of the school year. Each student has the responsibility of setting clear academic and spiritual goals at the beginning of each quarter. They then regularly review their goals and track their progress towards their goals, and make any necessary adjustments to stay on course. By working consistently and diligently towards their goals, students can make the most of their academic experience and achieve the success they desire.

### Oh The Places We'll Go!

Our sixth grade class recently completed day two, of a three day fieldtrip to Sandia National Labs to participate in AFRL NM STEM OUTREACH missions. During these fun and exciting fieldtrips, students learned about satellites by exploring the Electromagnetic Spectrum by participating in several experiments. They also learned about the affects that light has on colors and programmed micro-bit sensors. A program challenge was given to our students and one of St. Mary's students, Aria, beat the record that was held by a previous school. Their last mission will be on April 29.



## a dozen reasons to choose Catholic Schools



### The Living Stations of the Cross

Every year, our eighth grade class delivers a profoundly moving performance of The Living Stations of the Cross. They do two performances; one for the entire school and our families, and one for the parishioners of Our Lady of Belen. This is an event that our students look forward to every year. This year, the students chose to utilize tableaus for their performance and they certainly lived up to everyone's expectations.



### Roadrunners Were Right On Target

Our JV Archery team competed in the APIAL Archery Championship and finished in second place. This is great news because the team is only in their second year of participating in this sport. Also, our sixth grade student, Madison, took third place overall in the individual competition. We are always so proud of all our athletes!



*St. Mary's Catholic School prepares students to be leaders in worship, work, and the world through Roman Catholic teachings, rigorous academics and service to others.*

