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**MAY 2022** 

### **BRING FLOWERS OF THE RAREST**

Every year, on the first Wednesday in May, St. Mary's honors our Blessed Mother by bringing her flowers and crowning her with a

flower crown. This year's crowning court was Isabella Baldonado, Dante Renteria, Savannah Maestas, and Santiago Jacquez.

Several of our elementary and middle school students gave up two of their Saturday's to compete in the Battle of the Books. Each student was required to read ten of the twenty books in order to participate in the competition. The final scores were not available at time of print, but we do know that 7th graders, Claire & Ainsley were our schools' top performers!



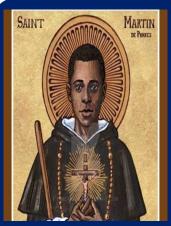
#### ST. MARY'S STUDENTS HAVE TALENT



St. Mary's students held its annual talent

show on May 11, 2022. There were many different types of performances given by our talented students. The acts included break dancing, singing, violin playing, guitar playing, and Zumba routines. It was great having our show in-person again.





#### SAINT OF THE MONTH: St. Martin de Porres Fruit of the Holy Spirit: Joy

St. Martin de Porres was known for his devotion to the Eucharist and constant prayer, and he refrained from eating meat as an act of austerity. In addition to his work in the infirmary, St. Martín distributed food and alms to the poor and needy

Joy is more than a temporary happiness; joy is lasting and based in more than simply an emotional reaction to our circumstances: it is an active choice of attitude. As followers of Christ, we rejoice, because in him, we have redemption.

# It is Time to Say Good-bye to Our Eighth Grade Class

At the end of each year, St. Mary's holds a promotion Mass for the eighth grade class. This year we said good-bye to seventeen students. Next year, they will go their separate ways to the following schools: St. Pius X High School, Belen High School, Los Lunas High School, and NMMI. We wish them well and ask God to watch over them as they start a new chapter of their life.



## Play Day and the Last Day of School



The seventh grade class and Coach Padilla planned a fun-filled play day for grades 1-6 on the last day of school. There were six stations that had a fun game to participate in. The students and teachers had a great time rotating through all the stations. We ended the day with a great lunch, and said our good-byes for the summer.

We Wish Everyone a Safe, Fun-Filled Summer!



