



At St. Mary's we instill in each child the value of giving and selflessness. We do this by showing our students that through charity we see God in other people and in ourselves and that there is no greater gift than to help someone who is in need.

We support programs like the local transition home by collecting and donating necessity items to people who are between jobs and a home.

We participate in National Programs such as Catholic Relief Fund, St. Jude's Math-A-Thon and Girl Scouts. We visit the elderly of our community at the local nursing homes.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to teach the truths of the Roman Catholic Church to our children to build faith, character, and sound, unwavering morals based on the teachings of Jesus Christ and the Magisterium of the Church.

We believe in the pursuit of the truth through a positive and nurturing learning environment and a solid academic education.

Our long-term goal is to contribute to the formation of adult leaders who are prepared to transform the world by being authentic followers of Christ and beacons of the Truth.

St. Mary's Catholic School

*"Preparing tomorrow's
leaders with academic
excellence and strong
Christian values."*



St. Mary's is a small school with a big heart and has a lot to offer.

We are the students and staff at St. Mary's Catholic School.

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St. Mary's Catholic School

was established in 1896. It reopened its doors in 1993 after being closed for over 20 years. Since then the school has evolved into one of the best academic institutions in the Upper Peninsula's eastern end.

Our goal is to contribute both academically and spiritually in the formation of young people so they will take a leadership role in transforming the world by being followers of Christ.



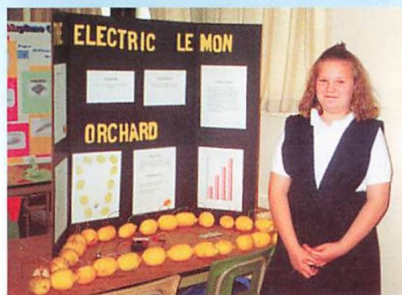
Since parents are the primary educators of their children, we encourage

parental participation and commitment to the school's mission and program. Our parent involvement is high and adds greatly to the success of the school.

We respect ethnic and cultural differences and welcome children of all denominations.

The school maintains a faith-based environment where teachers, staff and students help and support one another.

Our math and science test scores are above the state and national average. This is accomplished through a comprehensive curriculum that meets and exceeds state benchmarks and through individual attention to the students. The 8th grade students leave st.



Mary's prepared to take advanced Algebra and French as they enter High School.

We offer our students all core academic subjects as well as religion, art, music, gym and foreign language. The school also houses a computer lab, full size gym and extensive library.

At St. Mary's we are proud of the dedicated teachers and staff who not only educate our children but also teach them values and morals through example. Visitors frequently comment on the order in the school and the politeness of the students.

We believe each child has a gift and talent that should be nurtured and developed through a safe, secure and accepting environment. Every person deserves dignity



and respect and we are proud that God is invited into our classrooms and into the daily lives of our children.



When registering at St. Mary's, parents will not only find a quiet and respectful learning environment but a commitment to God through the Roman Catholic Church.

Parents are required to volunteer service hours at the school each year. There is a tuition pay scale and financial assistance is available to those who qualify.

We serve students from kindergarten through eighth grade. Class sizes do not exceed 26 children and students are required to wear a uniform. Classes begin at 8:30 and end at 3:15.

We offer non-core courses through the public middle school electives and Title I remedial program. The local public district also provides busing for students out of the area and hot lunch. Big Bear provides transportation to their after school program.

Our extra curricular activities include, band, basketball, cheerleading, Young Authors and Service Council. We also have a weekly school Mass for the children that relatives and friends are welcome to attend.