

**ST. MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
 219 Bean Avenue, Los Gatos, California 95030  
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MARCH 4, 2018

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

# ADA 2018

## ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

**Parish Goal: \$221,972.00**

Total	\$147,762	211	Total
Week 9			Week 9
	\$9,187	15	
	\$33,819	44	
	\$7,950	10	
	\$12,525	23	
	\$36,576	42	
	\$34,565	52	
Week 1	\$13,140	25	Week 1
<b>Goal \$</b>		<b># of Contributors</b>	

Our Annual Diocesan Appeal fund-raising drive has reached \$147,762. As of today 10 % of our parishioners have contributed. We need each of you to get involved if we are to reach our goal of \$221,972. Please make your pledge today. A follow-up mailing will be sent this week to all those who have yet to make their pledge to the ADA. Pledge envelopes and brochures can be found in the vestibule area of the church or visit our ADA Tables after the morning Masses in the courtyard for more information.

### Welcome to St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

For more detailed information about what is happening now and in the future at St. Mary go to our online calendar on our website or on the computer in the parish office. Registration Forms can be found online, in the vestibule of the church or in the Parish Office.

### THIS WEEK...

[www.stmaryslg.org/#calendar](http://www.stmaryslg.org/#calendar)



Sun. **2nd Collection-School Support**  
 Mar. **Donut Sunday after all am Masses**  
 4 **Parish office open 8:30 - 11:30 a**  
 Playways 9 a  
 Elementary Faith Formation 9 & 11:15 a  
 RCIA First Scrutiny 11:15 a  
 Malankara Mass 1 p  
 Youth Choir Practice 4 p

Mon. **Construction on Tait Ave Begins**  
 Mar. Faith Formation 4 p  
 5 Adoration and Rosary 6 p  
 Women's Support Group 6:30 p  
 EDGE 7 p

Tue. Small Christian Community 6:30 a  
 Mar. Women's Spirituality Group 8 a  
 6 **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE 9:30 a**  
 Prayer Group Meeting 10 a  
 Altar Server Training 3:30 p  
 Centering Prayer 7 p  
 RCIA 7 p



Wed. Altar Server Training 3:30 p  
 Mar. Organ Practice 4:30 p  
 7 **Light is On for You 6p**  
 Adult Choir Practice 7 p

Thu. Centering Prayer 3:30 p  
 Mar. Fr. Jon Pedigo Outreach Meeting 7 p  
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Fri. Men's Faith Sharing 6:30 a  
 Mar. Bible Study 8 a  
 9 Adoration/Divine Mercy 3 p  
 Stations of the Cross, & soup supper 6:30 p

Sat. **2nd Collection-Catholic Relief Services**  
 Mar. **COLUMBIETTES TEA & FASHION SHOW 11:30 a**  
 10 Reconciliation 3:30 p

Sun. **2nd Collection-Catholic Relief Services**  
 Mar. Playways 9 a  
 11 St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 10:15 a  
 Elementary Faith Formation 9 & 11:15 a  
 Malankara Mass 1 p  
 Youth Choir Practice 4 p  
 RCIA Second Scrutiny 5 p

### MASS TIMES

Daily: Mon - Sat 7:30 am  
 Saturday (Vigil): 5 pm

Sunday: 7:30, 9 & 11:15 am and 5 pm  
 Reconciliation: 3:30 pm on Saturdays

# STEWARDSHIP

is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God's gifts and shares these gifts of love of God and neighbor.

We appreciate your ongoing support and commitment to St. Mary Church. If you have ever forgotten your envelope, checkbook or to stop for cash you should consider signing up for **ConnectNow Giving** (online giving). In addition to recurring scheduled donations for Sunday and School collections, **ConnectNow Giving** offers one-time giving via the web, using a mobile app (iTunes) (Android) or via text. Most 2nd collection and special collections are also available as one-time gifts. *Need help getting set-up? Contact Teri Tucci — [tstucci@stmaryslg.org](mailto:tstucci@stmaryslg.org) or 408.354.3726 x137*



[stmaryslg.org/donate](http://stmaryslg.org/donate)

**THANK YOU** to those who have already signed up for online donations. If you would like to discontinue receiving envelopes please contact Jill at [jmontanari@stmaryslg.org](mailto:jmontanari@stmaryslg.org).

## Memory Bricks

Memory Bricks are a great way to remember a special event, person or loved one in our community. When you purchase a brick your contributions fund our Parish and School buildings & grounds upkeep and improvements. Information and order form can be found on our website at [stmaryslg.org/brick-order-form](http://stmaryslg.org/brick-order-form).



## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

If your parish is reading from Year B of the Lectionary today, and not Year A, as is normally done when there are elect present for the scrutinies and preparing for Easter baptism, you hear about Jesus driving the money-changers from the temple. If you wished to get as close as possible to this site today, you would in fact be at a Muslim shrine, the Dome of the Rock, built on the ruins of Herod's temple. Archeologists believe that this striking, gold-domed crown of a shrine is set precisely where the Holy of Holies once was. Jews believe that the rock is the exact spot where Abraham was prepared to sacrifice Isaac. It is not a mosque, as some think, but a shrine, the oldest one in the Muslim world. For them, the rock is the place from which the Prophet Mohammed ascended on a visit to heaven. The Crusaders mistook the shrine for the actual Temple of Solomon, and the infamous Knights Templar used it as their headquarters and model for their churches elsewhere. The geometric perfection of the shrine is a mathematician's dream. The inscriptions are not exactly hospitable though, since they encourage Christians to "depart from error" and declare that "Jesus son of Mary was only a messenger of God." In ancient times, those who prayed here after walking around the rock were given a certificate entitling the bearer to admission to paradise. The ticket had to be buried with them.

### Next week's 2nd Collection - Catholic Relief Services

Catholic Relief Services carries out the commitment of the Bishops of the United States to assist the poor and vulnerable overseas. We are motivated by the Gospel of Jesus Christ to cherish, preserve and uphold the sacredness and dignity of all human life, foster charity and justice, and embody Catholic social and moral teaching as we act to:

PROMOTE HUMAN DEVELOPMENT by responding to major emergencies, fighting disease and poverty, and nurturing peaceful and just societies; and, SERVE CATHOLICS IN THE UNITED STATES as they live their faith in solidarity with their brothers and sisters around the world.

For more information visit [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org)

## Text Giving is now Available ... What does this mean?

If you have not yet signed up for ConnectNow Online Giving, or even if you have, we are now also providing the ability to text your donation to the Sunday Collection as well as Christmas, Easter and 2nd collections.

Number to text to: 14082605076

1. Text the amount you would like to give to your church's designated number (FOR OTHER THAN SUNDAY COLLECTION READ TIPS BELOW).
2. If you are a first time text-giving donor, or not signed up for ConnectNow Giving currently, you will be prompted to visit a secure URL.
3. Once you click the registration link, you will enter your credit or debit card information.
4. At this point your donation will process.
5. You will see a confirmation text showing your donation and registration were successful.

For more information on Text Giving go to <https://stmaryslg.org/text>



## Donor Advised Fund Match



Your "charitable checking account"

### How the Match Works



For more information, visit <http://cfoscc.org/DAF-Match/>



## NEW SIGNS



It boggles the mind how quickly time moves forward. Just 3 years ago on Valentine’s Day, we opened a new middle school at St. Mary. With that change, we made improvements to the parish ground such as a new gate entry on Bean Ave. As most know, the two pillars at that entrance to the playground/ parking lot display a sign; one with the school crest and another that reads St. Mary Parish.

Since that time, in order to have continuity with the changes

we made that resulted from the new middle school building, it was recommended that we also update the signs in front of the parking lot between the rectory and Howley Hall and the sign in front of the Church. You may have noticed that workers have built a monument wall near the former sign describing the location of the Pastoral Ministries Office and one near the sign describing St. Mary Church and Mass times. People have asked about these monuments, and now I am happy to write for the archives that we will install two new signs similar to the ones found at the entrance to playground/parking lot.

Our hope to achieve continuity was answered with these monument walls, and the Building and Grounds Committee spent several months determining the best way to install brass signs in order to secure them onto a structure sturdy enough to hold their weight and safeguard them from any unforeseen circumstance. Additionally, from budgetary standpoint, we needed to find funding for the project at hand. At long last, these signs will be installed and stand for many years to come.

The former signs were likely installed when Fr. Arthur Hofmann was pastor. Back before 1987—near the 75th

Anniversary of St. Mary Parish— Lyndon Ave. was a town street that ran north and south between Bean Ave. and Main St. Parish leaders at the time were able to secure the land on part of Lyndon Ave. in order to build the Office of Pastoral Ministries as well as the Hoffman Center. More than 25 years later, we continue to upgrade the parish site in order to meet the needs of our present and future generations.

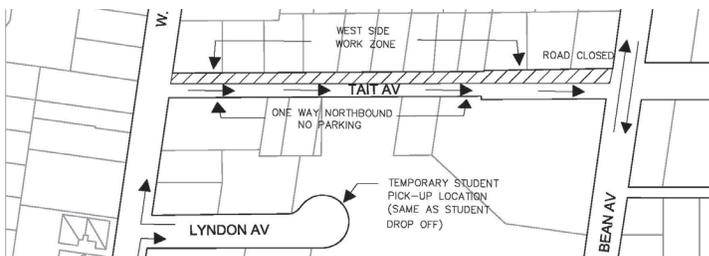
There are many more projects that the Building and Grounds Committee are considering. We have developed a master plan for the parish site and continue to find ways to fund the maintenance and improvements to our buildings and location. I wish to thank the Tom Albanese Family and the Ben Musolf Family for their contribution of the new brass signs. The signs are a great addition to the parish. Also, I am grateful to Rob Meighan ( R.M. Masons ) for his fine work building the monument walls and installing the signs.



### CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN MONDAY ON TAIT AVE. (BETWEEN MAIN AND BEAN)

Work to remove and replace the curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and driveways on Tait Avenue between W. Main and Bean Avenues is **scheduled to begin next Monday, March 5th**. The work will begin on the west side of the street, beginning at the north end near Bean Avenue and will proceed southerly to W. Main. In order to accommodate the work zone on the west half of the street, Tait Avenue will be modified to accommodate one lane of one way northbound traffic only. Due to the narrow street, on street parking will not be allowed on either side of the street during this construction process. It is anticipated that the work on the west side will take approximately two weeks, depending on the weather. Once the work on the west side of the block has been completed, the work zone and traffic lanes will switch sides and the work to remove the curbs, gutters, sidewalks and driveways on the east side of the block will begin. For information regarding the Almond Grove Phase 2 project, please visit the project webpage located at [www.LosGatosCA.gov/AlmondGrovePhase2](http://www.LosGatosCA.gov/AlmondGrovePhase2).

**SCHOOL PARENTS:** During this time, Lyndon Avenue will be designated as the area for student drop-offs and also for the after school pick-ups. We urge parents to avoid using Tait Avenue during this construction period.



**Blood Drive**  
**Los Gatos Community**  
 Located at St. Mary's Church  
 219 Bean Ave  
 Los Gatos, CA 95030  
**Tuesday, March 6, 2018**  
**9:30 AM to 3:30 PM**

 **American Red Cross**



## FAITH FORMATION

Baptism, Sacraments, Children of all Ages, Youth Ministry, Young Adult, Adult Education  
www.stmaryslg.org/faith-formation

To register, please go to our website under Faith Formation or email Terri Trotter - ttrotter@stmaryslg.org



### FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

You can still sign up for Family Faith Formation Classes for all sessions: Pre-school through High School. You can register at [stmaryslg.org/faith-formation-registration-form](http://stmaryslg.org/faith-formation-registration-form)



Remember that Faith Formation is an on-going and life-long process and children should attend sessions every year to deepen their understanding, knowledge and relationship with Christ.

*Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Interested in becoming a Catholic?*

Join us for our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation Of Adults) journey of faith that meets on Tuesday evenings from 7-8:15pm. During this year-long process we will explore themes of Spirituality, Sacraments, Prayer, The Mass, Social Justice, etc.

If interested, please contact Terri - [ttrotter@stmaryslg.org](mailto:ttrotter@stmaryslg.org)

### ENCOUNTER LENT



#### PRAY

*to encounter Christ in your life and in every member of our human family.*

#### FAST

*to encounter the obstacles that keep you from serving God and your neighbor.*

#### GIVE

*to encounter God's love, and share it with our brothers and sisters in need.*

During the 40 days of Lent, as companions on the journey, we will encounter our neighbor. Please remember to return your Rice Bowl by **March 19th**. You can return it to the basket on the Altar or the Parish office. Thank you for your support.  
[www.crsricebowls.org](http://www.crsricebowls.org)



40 Days for Life Lenten Campaign runs from now through Palm Sunday, March 25th, 2018. 40 Days for Life is a peaceful pro-life effort of volunteer Prayer Warriors. Email [Christine.Ibanez@JDWCenter.org](mailto:Christine.Ibanez@JDWCenter.org) for more information. or the website at : [www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/san-jose/](http://www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/san-jose/)

### Lent and Holy Week Schedule

#### THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

Wednesdays during Lent - 6-8 p.m.

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays during Lent - 6:30 p.m.

#### TRIDUUM--HOLY THURSDAY

March 29, 2018

\*\*\*No 7:30 a.m. Mass\*\*\*

Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11:00 p.m. in Hofmann Center

#### GOOD FRIDAY

March 30, 2018

\*\*\*No 7:30 a.m. Mass\*\*\*

12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Good Friday Services

7:00 p.m. - Tenebrae Prayer Service

#### EASTER VIGIL

March 31, 2018

\*\*\*No Confessions\*\*\*

\*\*\*No 7:30 a.m. or 5:00 p.m. Mass\*\*\*

8:15 p.m.

#### EASTER SUNDAY

April 1, 2018

Masses at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., & 11:15 a.m.

\*\*\*No 5:00 p.m. Mass\*\*\*



### The Light is On for You

Our Lord Jesus is zealous for you. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is where the

Lord heals, strengthens, forgives, enlightens your heart. On Wednesdays from 6-8PM, visit St. Mary and experience the mercy, freedom, healing and light of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We encourage you to invite another to the sacrament, especially those who have not been to the sacrament for some time. To find guides to confession and confession times at other parishes visit [www.dsj.org/light](http://www.dsj.org/light)

### NEXT STEP MEETING WITH FR. JON PEDIGO

Thursday, March 8, 2018 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Hofmann Center

Fr. Jon Pedigo - Director for Advocacy and Community Engagement at Catholic Charities will share and discuss ideas regarding new ways St. Mary parishioners can meet the needs of the poor and those in need in our area.

**PRAY FOR THE DECEASED**

Matthew Mesa †  
Mary Ann Kelly †

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Monica Aitken  
David Vega

*We pray for all parishioners who need healing of body, mind and spirit, that Jesus be a source of strength and comfort.*

To place a name on this list (for three weeks), contact Pastoral Care, 354-3726 x121. You also are invited to write names in St. Mary's Book of Petitions and Prayers in front of Mary's statue in church.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon. Mar. 5	7:30 am	Dani Nedom †
Tue. Mar. 6	7:30 am	McLaughlin Family (Sp. Int.)
Wed. Mar. 7	7:30 am	Bishop Family (Sp. Int.)
Thu. Mar. 8	7:00 pm	Joan Mackin †
Fri. Mar. 9	7:30 am	Souls in Purgatory
Sat. Mar. 10	7:30 am 5:00 pm	Ed Abate † Clarence McMasters †
Sun. Mar. 11	7:30 am 9:00 am 11:15am 5:00 pm	Richard Horzen † St. Mary Parishioners Lori Schmidt † Joseph Preston †

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday:	2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday:	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday:	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19- 20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday:	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday:	Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday:	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21 Alternate readings (Year A): 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8- 14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

*Daily readings and mass times can also be found on our website: [www.stmaryslg.org/mass-times](http://www.stmaryslg.org/mass-times)*

**This year our Lenten Layette drive runs NOW until March 11**

Please chose a colorful bunny card from our spring trees located in the back of church. Bunny card and baby items purchased are due back by March 11th. Baskets for donations are located at the church entrance and the Parish Office.



Since it's inception in 2003, St. Mary's parishioners have donated thousands of baby layettes to low income newborns in Santa Clara County.

Please contact Barbara Brothers (408) 356-6848 or Jan Amaral at (408) 460-5027 with any questions.

 **COLUMBIETTES BISHOP O'DOWD COUNCIL #3474**  
AN AUXILIARY OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, COUNCIL 3474, Presents

*Annual Tea and Fashion Show Fundraiser*

**Date: Saturday, March 10, 2018, 12:00pm to 2:30pm**  
(Doors Open at 11:30am for seating and raffle ticket purchases)  
**Location: St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception (Howley Hall)**  
219 Bean Ave, Los Gatos, CA 95030  
**Cost: \$35.00 Per Person**

Lent is a time to give alms and be charitable  
Proceeds benefit the Columbiettes 3474 Charities including:  
Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, Grateful Garment Project, GHS Women's Center, St. Juan Diego Society Women's Center

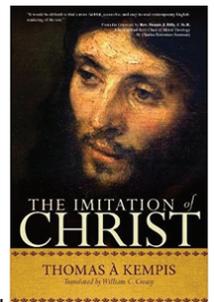
**Fashion show sponsored by Chico's Old Town in Los Gatos**  
**Menu includes:** Assorted tea, scones, tea sandwiches, salad, and dessert  
Great variety of items for raffle plus door prize (Raffle Tip: Bring your address labels to stick on your raffle tickets)

For additional information and to purchase your ticket contact Columbiettes 3474 sales and advertisement chair:  
Diane Dalton at (408) 781-8333 (Cell) or [dianemdalton@comcast.net](mailto:dianemdalton@comcast.net)

**The Imitation of Christ by Tomas a Kempis**

6 Wednesday Mornings 10 am to noon  
April 18 thru May 23, 2018  
St. Mary's Conference Room

Come, join a group of like-minded journeyers for a weekly time of spiritual retreat. Focusing on words from The Imitation of Christ, (book is provided) we will read, contemplate, and journal, then have meaningful discussions in small groups. After the Bible, this devotional work is considered the most widely published and read worldwide. We will be working with a 2017 translation by William Creasy.

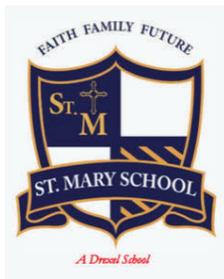


This group spiritual direction series is facilitated by Spirituality Council member Donna Lenahan. Please sign up in advance by e-mail: [djlenahan@aol.com](mailto:djlenahan@aol.com) or leave a phone message: 408-204-6565.

**THIS Sunday is Coffee and Donut Sunday!!!**  
**The Parish Office will also be open from 8:30 to 11:30.**  
**Come and say hi!**

***FOR ADS***

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[www.smslg.org](http://www.smslg.org)

## REGISTRATION OPEN FOR 2018-2019!

**We are accepting applications for all grades, Transitional Kindergarten - 8th Grade. Our Extended Care Program provides after-school supervised care until 6:00pm. Enrollment information is available on the St. Mary School website, [www.smslg.org](http://www.smslg.org). For more information, call the school office, 408-354-3944.**

St. Mary School does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and/or ethnic origin, age, sex or disability in the admission of students, the administration of educational policies, scholarships, loan programs, athletic and other school-administered programs.

### PASTORAL ADMINISTRATION

Parish & Pastoral Ministries Offices: 408.354.3726 Fax: 408.354.9302

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Fr. Biju Daniel Varghese	Parochial Vicar	bvarghese@stmaryslg.org	x138
Terri Trotter	Pastoral Assoc., Director of Faith Formation -Infant through Adult	ttrotter@stmaryslg.org	x123
Jane Najour	Coordinator of Pastoral Ministries	jnajour@stmaryslg.org	x121
Ellie Harris	Youth Ministry	mharris@stmaryslg.org	x129
Corliss Greene	Director of Music	cgreene@stmaryslg.org	x122
Jill Montanari	Parish Administrative Asst.	jmontanari@stmaryslg.org	x110
Teri Shepherd Tucci	Business Manager	tstucci@stmaryslg.org	x137

*If it is an emergency and you need to reach a priest call 408.482.8021*

### SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

School Office: 408.354.3944 Fax: 408.395.9151

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Lynne Dickerson	Vice Principal	ldickerson@stmaryslg.org	x161
Cecile Mantecon	Vice Principal	cmantecon@stmaryslg.org	x148
Sheryl Becker	Office Manager	sbecker@stmaryslg.org	x132
Kathy Rosendin	Administrative Assistant	krosendin@stmaryslg.org	x118

### MASS TIMES

Daily: Mon - Sat 7:30 am Saturday (Vigil): 5 pm Sunday: 7:30, 9 & 11:15 am and 5 pm  
Reconciliation: 3:30 pm on Saturdays Rosary prayed after 7:30am daily mass

*The presiders' schedule can be found on our website at:  
[www.stmaryslg.org/mass\\_times](http://www.stmaryslg.org/mass_times)*

### Important Dates

Mar. 15-17 - Spring Musical, Rogers & Hammerstein's "Sound of Music"

See performance times, and purchase tickets at: <http://bit.ly/2F5faAP>

Mar. 19 - 8:45am, Prayer Service Honoring Fathers - Church

Mar. 21-25 - 8th Grade Washington DC Trip - please keep them in your prayers!

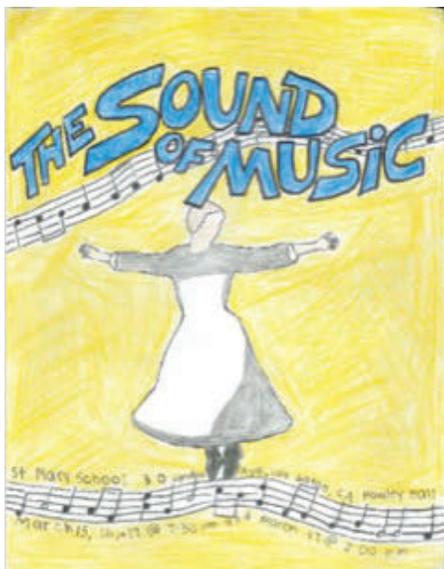
Mar. 29 - 11:00am, Holy Thursday Prayer Service - Church

Apr. 28 - SAVE THE DATE for St. Mary School's Annual Spring Event, "Cinco de Mayo"!

More information will be available soon!



*7th Graders bring literature to life at Saint Mary School while reading S.E. Hinton's coming of age novel "The Outsiders."*



## The Sound of Music March 15 - 17

A tuneful, heartwarming story, it is based on the real life story of the Von Trapp Family singers, one of the world's best-known concert groups in the era immediately preceding World War II. Maria, the tomboyish postulant at an Austrian abbey becomes a governess in the home of a widowed naval captain with seven children, and brings a new love of life and music into the home.

Casts are made up of St. Mary School & Sacred Heart School students.

For performance times and ticket purchase: <http://bit.ly/2F5faAP>