

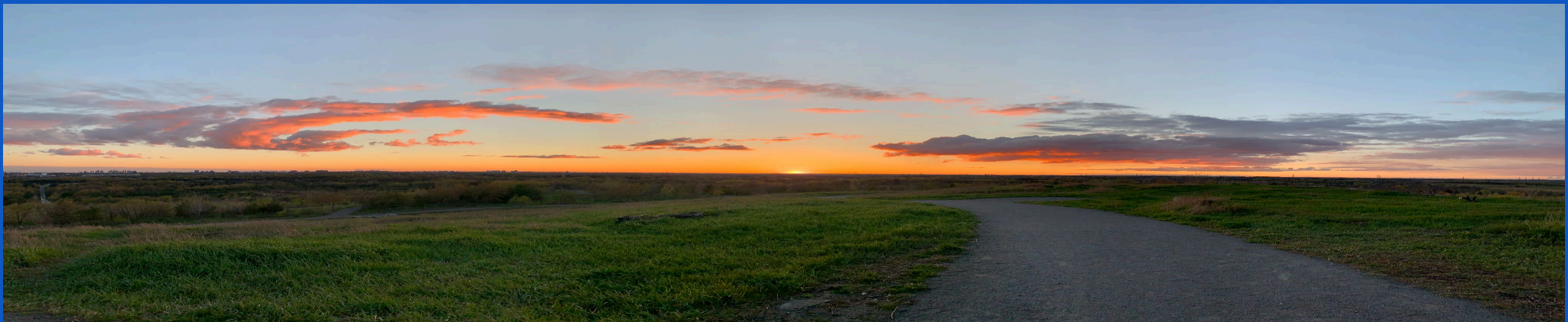


WELCOME TO ST. MARY

Getting Ready for Grade Nine

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We in the Durham Region respectfully acknowledge that we are here, on the traditional lands of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island. May we continue to honour those who walked before, those here with us now, and those to come.



OUR CHAPLAIN
MS. MARIANA BOSETTI



OPENING PRAYER

O God, source
of our lives and
inspiration to
this community



We thank you for all the blessings you have bestowed upon us.

We thank you for all the people and talents you have gathered together in this community



To carry out
Your mission of
Catholic
Education.





We ask for Your presence with us today as we welcome these Grade 8 students and their Parents to our community.

May they be given opportunities to gain knowledge which will chase away all fear and anxieties about high school as they discern their choices.



May they find comfort
and courage in the
knowledge that You
love them and that
You will be with them
to guide them always.



We ask this
through Jesus our
brother and
Saviour, Amen.

Please join us in
the Hail Mary...



PLEASE WELCOME
OUR PRINCIPAL

MR. JOHN DIVIZIO





OUR ADMINISTRATION

(From right to left...)

Mr. John Di Vizio

Mr. Shawnn O'Connor

Mr. Yannick Hannelas

Ms. Julie Simon

OUR PARENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES



Ms. Adele Sartor
~Council Chair



Ms. Sabrina Pallotta
~Council Chair

STUDENT VOICE ABIGAIL D'SOUZA



THE REGISTRATION PROCESS

Students from our Associate/Feeder Schools

- ✓ Counsellors will be visiting Catholic elementary schools between Jan 23rd –Jan 27th
- ✓ Registration packages and information will be provided to each student
- ✓ Completed packages are due back to the Gr. 8 teacher by **Thursday, February 9th**

THE REGISTRATION PROCESS

New to the Board

→ online application
& pre-admission package

NOT New to the Board

→ pre-admission package
only

Living OUTSIDE of
Pickering/Uxbridge
boundary

→ contact Guidance after
March Break



All registrations packages (for within-boundary students) are due by

Friday, February 10th, 2023

Grad Requirements for Ontario Secondary School Diploma

- ✓ 40 hours of Community Service
- ✓ 30 credits
- ✓ Pass the Ontario Secondary School Literacy test
- ✓ 2 eLearning credits (opt out available)



St. Mary Catholic Secondary School is a vibrant school community led by the teachings of Christ to help our young people strengthen their compassion and love for their fellow neighbour and self.

ACADEMICS AT ST. MARY

- A variety of courses are offered at varying levels of study in over TEN departments schoolwide
- New courses are being offered each year, including Green Industries and Phys Ed - Wrestling
- Visit each department during a guided tour
- Speak to staff and students!
- Guidance will be answering questions in the main foyer for anyone interested

SPECIALTY PROGRAMS AT ST. MARY

Advanced Placement

- offered in Grade 10 in both Math and English
- selection process

The Typical AP Student Has:

- ✓ Demonstrated exceptional work ethic
- ✓ Strong academic performance
- ✓ Intellectual curiosity
- ✓ Independent/self directed skills
- ✓ A desire to get ahead

For detailed information, please visit the Math and English Departments immediately following this presentation

SPECIALTY PROGRAMS AT ST. MARY

Ultimate Potential (U.P.) Math

- offered in Grade 9 in Semester One
- registration form required
- teacher recommendation

UP Math Students:

- ✓ Have experienced gaps in their learning
- ✓ May experience low confidence in Math
- ✓ Require extensive support in strengthening their Math skills

For detailed information,
please visit the Math
Department immediately
following this presentation

SPECIALTY PROGRAMS AT ST. MARY

French Immersion

ALL French Immersion students will:

- ✓ Choose a minimum of 4 courses in French in Grade 9
- ✓ Graduate with a minimum of 10 courses in French

Mlle Oster will be conducting an information session in Room 124
Immediately following this general session

PROGRAM SUPPORT

- ✓ Students who are on an IEP are monitored on a continual basis by their Program Support Teacher (PST)
- ✓ Students should have a good understanding of who their PST is and where to find them
- ✓ Close communication between home, the subject teacher and the student is encouraged
- ✓ Assistance is available to students not on an IEP
- ✓ Peer tutoring is also available over all lunches

For more information, please visit Mrs. Hoofman in the Program Support Room (room 130) this evening

STUDENT SUCCESS AT ST. MARY

The Student Success Teacher:

- ✓ Advocates for students
- ✓ Works on a team to find alternative options for individual student success

Please visit our Student Success teacher, Mrs. Sprung, in Room 164 this evening



INTERMEDIATE GUIDANCE IN GRADE 7 & 8

Mrs. Jennifer Dehaney works as our
Intermediate Guidance Teacher by:

- ✓ Helping to ease the transition from elementary to high school
- ✓ Acting as an advocate for students once they enter Grade 9
- ✓ Supporting appropriate pathway planning

Please visit with Mrs. Dehaney
just outside of Guidance
this evening



SPECIALIST HIGH SKILLS MAJOR AT ST. MARY

Where students (beginning in Grade 11) can focus their learning in a professional sector, while enjoying the benefits of reach ahead opportunities, experiential learning through cooperative education, and other certifications



Co-Curricular Activities

Ask our Students and Staff about ways to get involved in YOUR school!

Visit the Learning Commons after this session for more info!

THIS IS YOUR SCHOOL



ST. MARY C.S.S. EXTRA CURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES

Faith & Leadership

Aboriginal, First Nations, Métis, Inuit Committee	Breakfast Club	Alliance for Compassion
Black History Committee	Gr 9 Orientation Day	Canadian Food for Children
Christmas Outreach	Reach Team (SMART)	Mission Room/Food Drives
Outdoor Education Team	St. Mary Ambassadors	Remembrance Day
Retreat Leaders	TEDx St. Mary	Student Council
TEDEd Club		Wellness Advisory Committee

Monarch Athletics

Student Athletic Association	Varsity Co-ed Badminton	Varsity Boys Baseball
Jr/Sr Boys Basketball	Jr/Sr Girls Basketball	Varsity Girls Cheerleading
Varsity Co-ed Cross-Country	Varsity Co-ed Curling	Varsity Girls Fastball
Jr/Sr Boys Football	Jr/Sr Boys Hockey	Varsity Girls Hockey
Varsity Co-ed Golf	Varsity Boys Lacrosse	Varsity Girls Lacrosse
Varsity Boys Rugby	Varsity Girls Rugby	Jr/Sr Boys Soccer
Jr/Sr Girls Soccer	Varsity Co-ed Swimming	Varsity Co-ed Tennis
Varsity Co-ed Track & Field	Jr/Sr Boys Volleyball	Jr/Sr Girls Volleyball

Arts & Culture

Dance Showcases	Gr 12 Media Arts Film Fest	Gr 12 Sears Festival
Gr 12 Photo & Visual Arts Show	Instrumental Concerts	Musical Theatre
St. Mary Singers	Tech Crew	
Vocal Concerts		

Specialist High Skills Majors (SHSMs)

Arts & Culture
Business
Non-Profit
Transportation

Competitions

Iron Chef
Robotics
U of T Biology Competition
Waterloo Mathematics Contest
WonderCoaster Contest

HOW WILL YOU GET INVOLVED?



FAITH & LEADERSHIP
SOCIAL JUSTICE
ARTS & CULTURE
COMPETITIONS
SHSM **ATHLETICS**





We are thankful for...



Our
Admin Team!



Our
Admin
Assistants!



Our
Guidance and
Co-Operative Ed
Team!

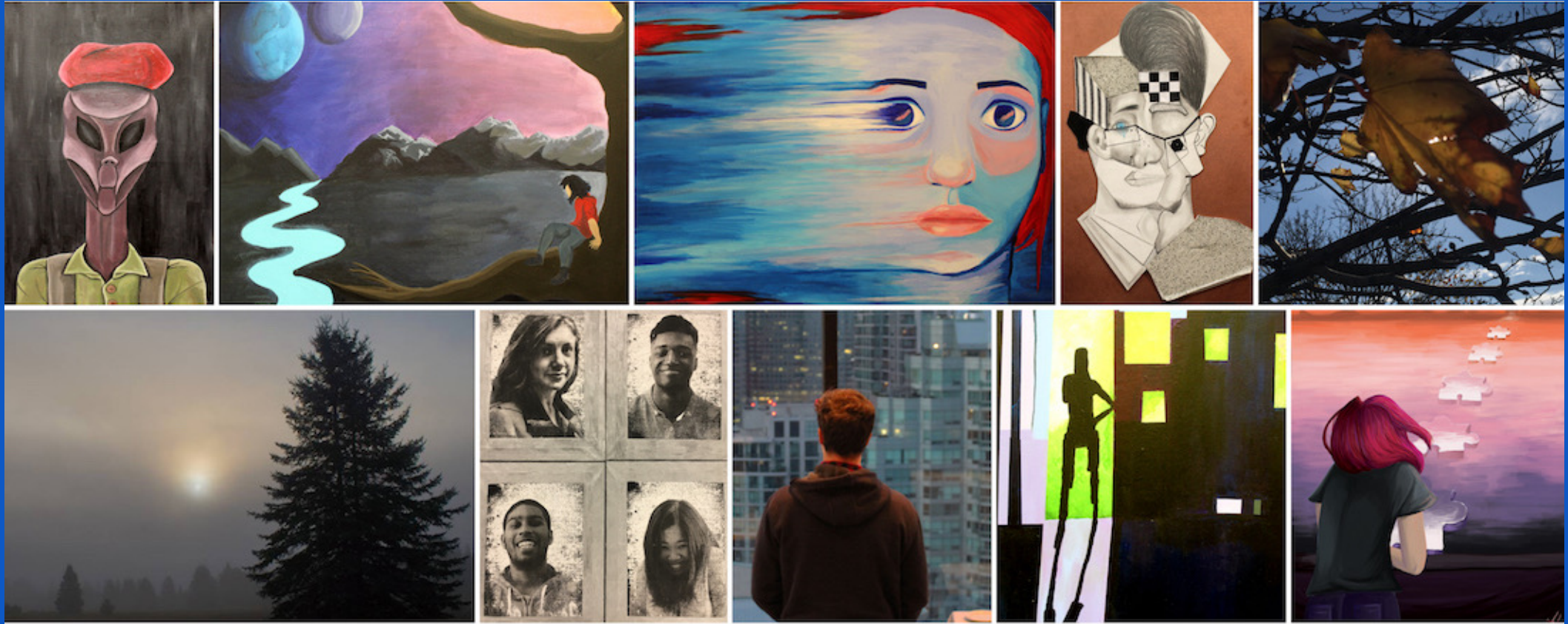


Our
Custodial
Staff!

Program Support and our Educational Assistants!



The Arts!



THE CABARET

GOOD EVENT AND TALENT SHOW

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 4TH, 2003
 STUDENTS - \$5
 AT THE DOOR
 SOLD ON SITE

6:00 PM - FOOD SERVED
 IN THE ATRIUM
 7:30 PM - TALENT SHOW

CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL - FUNDRAISER

ST. MARY CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL
 PRESENTS

PERFORMED BY: THE SENIOR DRAMA STUDENTS

ALL THE WORLD'S A STAGE

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 5TH AND FRIDAY FEBRUARY 6TH
 ADVANCED TICKETS \$5 - RESERVED SEATING
 TICKETS AT THE DOOR \$5 - GENERAL ADMISSION

DIRECTED BY: C. McDAVID AND THE SENIOR DRAMA STUDENTS

STEPHEN KING'S NOVEL
 BY THE WATERS
 OF BABYLON

PERFORMED BY: THE SENIOR DRAMA STUDENTS

DIRECTED BY: MEL A. POISSAND

ST. MARY CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL PRESENTS

PERFORMED BY: THE SENIOR DRAMA STUDENTS

Give Our Regards
 To Broadway

Death • Death • Death

Heat Death Case

an evening exploring the Tropic of Cancer

By: Grant H. Davis, Richard

ST. MARY CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL PRESENTS

JOSEPH THE AMAZING TECHNOLOGY MEAT

ST. MARY CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL PRESENTS

BRITISH INVASION AMERICA STRIKES BACK

PRICE & BALL BALANCE SPORT

ALPHABET

La visual essay of Abstract and Tracing your letters



ST. MARY C.S.S.
BLACK HISTORY MONTH



BLACK HISTORY COMMITTEE
 EDUCATION IS ADVOCATION

TASTE OF BLACK CULTURE 02/15
 BHM ASSEMBLY 02/22

ShareLife



St Mary CSS

St. Mary Mission



The St. Mary Mission serves as a food bank and a community outreach room.

Amare et Servire

For more information, please contact Mr. Tomy Valokaran (Chaplain), Ms. T. Veloso, Ms. V. Riva, Mr. J. Stanasic (Non-Profit SHSM Teachers), a Guidance Counsellor, or an Administrator.



Social and Cultural Awareness!





Outdoor Ed
Team!

Athletics!

Home of the Monarchs



Girls Volleyball Team



Wrestling Team

Visit just outside of Gymnasium A & B for more information



Our
Ambassadors!



Construction Club



The Colour Run



Our
Retreat
Leaders!....

And SO
MUCH MORE!

Thank you for visiting with us this evening...

Items of Interest:

- ✓ Please feel free to use the map or join a guided tour for the evening – meet faculty and students! Ask questions!
- ✓ Refer to the “Welcome to Gr 9” pamphlet for descriptions on courses and a Grade 9 Course List so that you may plan your selections in advance
- ✓ Visit with Admin or Guidance before you leave for registration details

thank
you