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SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2026

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welcome!

Dear St. Mary's Alumni and Friends,



Just one year ago, St. Mary's South Side Catholic High School stood on faith and possibility. We believed in this mission even before we owned the campus we now proudly call home. Because of the generosity and commitment of this community, that belief took root—and today, we celebrate how far we have come and how boldly we are rising.

Since reopening as a “94-year-old start-up,” St. Mary's has gained strength and momentum. Enrollment continues to grow, our faculty and staff remain exceptional, and our mission is thriving. Our students come from across the region, bringing

diverse backgrounds and experiences that enrich our community and reflect our Marianist call to form young men of empathy, dignity, and respect.

Tonight, we are honored to recognize Kevin Lee, dedicated board member, and Valerie Todd, our principal, whose leadership, vision, and unwavering belief in St. Mary's have helped shape this moment. Their service embodies what it means to be rooted in mission while rising to meet the needs of each student.

As we look ahead, the theme of tonight's auction—Rooted and Rising— captures who we are and where we are going. We are rooted in faith, tradition, and community. And we are rising—academically, spiritually, and institutionally— to meet the needs of today and the promise of tomorrow. Your continued support fuels everything we do, forming young men of empathy, dignity, unity, and respect—leaders who will uplift their neighborhoods, communities, and the world.

Thank you for believing in this mission, in this school, and in our young men.

With deep gratitude,

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*We extend our sincere gratitude to our Gala on Grand Committee
for their dedication and thoughtful preparation in bringing this event to life.*

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program of events

- 5:00 pm MASS IN THE HOLY FAMILY CHAPEL:
Fr. Sean Downing
- 6:00 pm REGISTRATION & COCKTAILS
RAFFLE SALES & SILENT AUCTION
- 6:15 pm WELCOME:
Charles Schwartz '96; Emcee
DRAGON BINGO PREVIEW
DINNER PRAYER:
Fr. Mitch Doyen
DINNER STATIONS OPEN:
John Armengol; Andre's Catering
- 7:30 pm LEGACY PRESENTATION
(Bar Closed)
LEGACY HONOREES:
Kevin Lee
Valerie Todd
- 8:00 pm OPPORTUNITY TO FUND-A-NEED:
Noah Rohlfing '26
Tarence Tullock '26
Mike England
- 8:30 pm GOLDEN TICKET RAFFLE PULL
SOLO STOVE PACKAGE RAFFLE PULL
SOUTH SIDE SHINE RAFFLE PULL
DRAGON BINGO GAME
SILENT AUCTION CLOSES
- 8:45 pm LIVE AUCTION:
Skip Weber; Guest Auctioneer



menu

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STATION 1

Beef Tenderloin Sliders with Garlic Aioli
Loaded Smashed Potatoes
Spinach Salad

STATION 2

Chicken Parmesan
Cavatelli Con Broccoli
House Salad

STATION 3

Salmon with Bourbon Maple Glaze
Brussel Sprouts
Quinoa with Tomatoes and Onions

DESSERTS

Assorted Desserts will be delivered to each table.

bidding instructions

To place bids on auction items, purchase raffle tickets, or to make a donation, login to GiveSmart.

Login with a smartphone:

Click the BLUE link in your welcome text message, or scan the QR code listed below and this will take you to your personal bidding page. Click on an item you would like to bid on. The GiveSmart smart system prepopulates with the next minimum bid so all you have to do is push BID. If you would like to go higher just enter a new amount and push BID. To have the GiveSmart smart system automatically bid for you to a designated amount, please select AUTO and enter a higher amount. The system will bid for you incrementally up until your designated amount only if someone bids against you.

If you purchased an item totaling \$2,500 or more, please go to the lobby after the live auction is over to confirm the final purchases. All other credit cards will be run at the end of the event.

If you are not able to take items home this evening, please contact Becky Rohlfling at rohlflingb@stmaryshs.com or (314) 481-8400 ext. 119 to arrange a time to pickup your items.



raffles

Raffles will be drawn just before the live auction... Enter to win on GiveSmart.

GOLDEN TICKET

1 Ticket for \$100



Win the chance to pick one of the qualified live auction items of your choice. Only 100 of these tickets will be sold. There is no limit to how many you can purchase!

SOUTH SIDE SHINE

Donated by: Vincent's Jewelers

1 Ticket for \$10
3 Tickets for \$25



A stunning lab-grown emerald and diamond bracelet featuring 4.40 carats total weight. The rich green stones honor the St. Mary's Dragon pride—bold, elegant, and rooted in the South Side.

SOLO STOVE PACKAGE

Donated by: St. Mary's Alumni Association

1 Ticket for \$25
5 Tickets for \$100



Bring the ultimate backyard vibe home with this all-in-one fire pit package. Centered around a Solo Stove fire pit, this bundle includes fire pit tools, roasting sticks, and Solo Stove whiskey glasses with a flame ice mold set—perfect for relaxing nights by the fire.

Enjoy a 12-pack of Liquid Aloha Longboard Island Lager and a 1.75L bottle of Jameson Irish Whiskey while you unwind. A \$100 True Value gift card helps you stock up on any extras, and a hanging plant plus four SMSSC koozies add the perfect finishing touches to your outdoor setup.

DRAGON BINGO

Donated by: Vincent's Jewelers

\$25 per card



A Dragon BINGO card is good for at least 3 rounds \$300 Cash & 1 ½ ctw round lab grown diamond stud earrings. Each earring set is valued at \$900.

How to Play: Everyone with a Dragon BINGO Card stands up. Numbers are called. If any number is called from your card you sit down. The last person standing wins!

Legacy honorees

Kevin Lee



Kevin Lee is the president and CEO of Mid-America Transplant, where he works with a dedicated team to support organ and tissue donation for families across the region. His focus is on strengthening systems, fostering collaboration, and ensuring the organization continues to serve donor families and clinical partners with compassion and reliability.

Kevin has held several leadership roles since joining Mid-America Transplant in 2015, including executive vice president and chief operating officer, executive director of the Mid-America Transplant Foundation, and vice president positions in organ operations and community engagement. His career spans more than 20 years in mission-driven health care and education organizations.

Mid-America Transplant earned its second Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award during his tenure, a reflection of the shared commitment of staff, partners, and community collaborators. Kevin also completed the Baldrige Executive Fellows Program and received the Baldrige Foundation's Award for Leadership Excellence.

Kevin is also engaged at the national and regional levels in shaping the future of donation and transplantation. He serves on the boards of AlloSource; the American Liver Foundation; the Baldrige Foundation, where he is Board Secretary; St. Mary's Southside Catholic High School; the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network; and The Partnership for Excellence. He's also part of the Government Relations Committee for the American Association of Tissue Banks and the Advisory Board for the College of Health and Human Services at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale.

He holds a bachelor's degree from Marquette University and a master's degree from Saint Louis University.

Valerie Todd



Valerie Todd was born and raised in South St. Louis City, specifically in Dutchtown. She is the proud daughter of Steve and Sue Geldmacher and the sister of Tina, Emily, and Eric. Valerie has been married to Tony Todd for 27 years, and together they are the parents of two St. Mary's alumni: Aaron "Max" (Class of 2019) and Sam (Class of 2021).

Valerie is currently in her 29th year serving the St. Mary's community.

After graduating from college, she briefly taught in a Special Education classroom in St. Louis Public Schools. During the 1997–1998 school year, she joined



St. Mary's High School as a Learning Consultant. She served in that role for 18 years before being named Academic Dean during the 2010–2011 school year.

Following the retirement of Jane Goff, Valerie was appointed Associate Principal. After three years in that position, and with the retirement of Kevin Hacker, she was named Principal. She is now in her eighth year leading St. Mary's South Side Catholic.



Valerie earned a Bachelor of Science in Education with a specialization in Special Education from the University of Missouri–St. Louis. She later received a Master of Arts in Educational Leadership from Saint Louis University.

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Noah Rohlfig '26



Noah came to St. Mary's from St. Francis of Assisi in Oakville, MO. He has been a member of the Varsity Baseball team for four years and Varsity Soccer for three. He is also involved in student leadership and National Honor Society. You can often find him on the sidelines at home basketball and football games capturing action shots. Noah will attend Rockhurst University in the fall, where he plans to study Physical Therapy.

Tarence Tullock '26



Tarence Tullock came to St. Mary's from Hillsboro Middle School. While at St. Mary's Tarence has been a member of the Football and Golf teams and the Pre-Apprenticeship Program. After graduation Tarence plans on entering the trades to become a pipefitter and hopes to eventually work in the aerospace industry.





fund - a - need

ROOTED IN TRADITION. RISING THROUGH YOUR SUPPORT.

Fund-A-Need is the heart of tonight's auction—an invitation to ensure that every young man who seeks a St. Mary's education has the opportunity to receive one. Rooted in our Marianist mission and sustained by the strength of our community, fund-a-need allows us to directly support tuition assistance for students whose families rely on St. Mary's to make a life-changing education possible.

As St. Mary's continues to rise—renewed in purpose and hope—your generosity helps remove financial barriers and opens doors to academic excellence, brotherhood, and faith formation. Together, in one powerful moment of shared commitment, we can lift our students today and invest in a future where St. Mary's remains rooted in access and rising in impact for generations to come.

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Live auction

1001 SOUTH SIDE SPARKLE: SIGNATURE DIAMOND PENDANT FROM VINCENT'S

Donated by: Vincent's Jewelry

Add timeless elegance to your collection with this stunning pendant, featuring a 3-carat lab-grown diamond set in your choice of 14k white or yellow gold. A sophisticated statement for any occasion, winner may select a pear, oval, round, or emerald shape pendant.

Valued at: \$5,000



1002 NAME THE DRIVE

Donated by: St. Mary's SSC Administration

A unique opportunity to name the front school parkway! A sign will be created with the name of your choice and be proudly displayed from August 2026 - August 2027.

Valued at: \$500



1003 MICRO MINI GOLDENDOODLE

Donated by: St. Mary's SSC Administration

Meet Dutch—a stunning red Micro Mini Goldendoodle and a rare blend of beauty, intelligence, and heart. Expected to mature around 15 pounds, he's the perfect companion size—adaptable, affectionate, and ideal for family life. Raised with exceptional care, Dutch has built a confident, loving foundation through daily socialization, Early Neurological Stimulation (ENS), and early training, including litter potty training, dog door use, and crate introduction. He comes well-prepared with current vaccinations and deworming, microchip identification, a one-year health guarantee, and 30 days of pet insurance—ready to become a beloved member of your family.

Valued at: PRICELESS



1004 AL FRESCO DINING @ FAVAZZA'S

Donated by: The Favazza Family

Enjoy a complimentary dinner for 10 on the outdoor patio area at Favazza's on the Hill. The patio and garden area features covered as well as open plaza seating with a beautiful fireplace to keep you warm on a chilly night. Dinner will consist of an assortment of their best Italian appetizers, salads, pasta and entrees and their famous garlic bread. Your meal will be paired with a selection of Italian wines and topped off with homemade desserts. . . *Buon Appetito!*

Valued at: \$850



1005 PERDIDO KEY

Donated by: Jeff Lowe '79

This beautiful 2,000 sq. ft. gulf front vacation provides a spectacular view of the Gulf of Mexico. With 3 bedrooms and 3.5 baths, this condo sleeps 6. Other features include a master bath with a Jacuzzi tub, walk-in shower, and twin sinks. Each bedroom and the living room have TVs. All linens and towels are provided. All this can be yours during a mutually-agreeable week between September 26, 2026 - May 8, 2027.

Valued at: \$4,000



1006 BOURBON TASTING

Donated by: Kevin Lee & Jared Bryson

Bourbon tasting with Dr. Jared Bryson, President/CEO of Catholic Charities and Executive Bourbon Steward. Includes tasting for 12 people to be held at your home. Kevin Lee will provide the bourbon, the glassware, and charcuterie board!

Valued at: \$1,200



1007 SOUTH SIDE AT THE PHOENIX OPEN: THE ULTIMATE SCOTTSDALE WEEKEND

Donated by: George Frasher '87

Enjoy 4 tickets to the Waste Management Phoenix Open (Saturday) with premium hospitality access, plus a foursome at Arizona Grand Resort & Spa Golf Course. Savor a progressive dining experience at George's restaurants—Frasher's BBQ, Mrs. Chicken, and Frasher's Steakhouse—and enjoy VIP access to an exclusive Super Bowl party. Package includes \$500 Uber gift card and \$500 gift card (stay will be a 3-night stay at Hyatt Place Scottsdale / Old Town) Four people. Three nights. One incredible Scottsdale experience, hosted by St. Mary's own George Frasher '87.

Valued at: \$9,000



1008 THE ULTIMATE HUNTING EXPERIENCE

Donated by: Anthony Simon '84

Exclusive 2-Day Guided Trophy Deer Hunt for 2 in Northeast Missouri! Hunt on 550 acres of private land along the Missouri-Iowa border. Choose your dates during the 2026 archery or firearms season, with lodging, meals, field dressing assistance, and transportation included. Semi-guided or guided options available.

Valued at: \$3,000



1009 BROTHERHOOD BBQ
FEAST: PRIMO GRILL
+ HALF COW

Donated by: Forshaw of St. Louis &
Tim Fernandez '85

Enjoy a true Brotherhood BBQ Feast with this premium grilling package.

You'll take home a Primo Round All-In-One Grill & Smoker, designed to retain heat while locking in moisture and flavor. Its versatile design allows for both direct and indirect cooking, with 280 square inches of cooking space—perfect for everything from weeknight dinners to full backyard gatherings. Even better, it's the only ceramic grill of its kind made in the USA.

Paired with the grill is a half side of premium beef from Fernandez Farms (Class of '85)—ready to fill your freezer. This package includes a variety of cuts, professionally processed and packaged. The winning bidder will coordinate cut preferences and pickup directly with Fernandez Farms.

Valued at: \$2,500



1010 OXFORD WHITE FORD BRONCO EBIKE

Donated by: Schicker Automotive

Ride the legend on two wheels with the Oxford White Ford Bronco eBike—nearly sold out in stores.

Built for adventure, this trail-ready eBike delivers a powerful 750W motor with 85Nm of torque, reaching speeds up to 28 MPH (with pedal assist). Its G.O.A.T.™-inspired suspension, rugged Pirelli tires, and 4-piston disc brakes are designed to handle everything from rocky trails to rugged terrain with ease.

With up to 60 miles of range, a moto-style saddle for control, and a sleek handlebar display inspired by Ford's infotainment system, the Bronco eBike is ready to take you wherever the trail leads.

Valued at: \$4,500



1011 ANDRE'S SUNDAY SPECIAL

Donated by: Andre's Catering

Enjoy a party for up to 40 guests at Andre's new location, Andre's 2, located right next to Andre's South. This small event space is perfect for any event gathering. The package includes: 3 hour room rental, full buffet meal, 3 hour open bar, china, linen, silverware, and chair covers.

Valued at: \$2,400



1012 MIZZOU TIGERS VIP FOOTBALL EXPERIENCE

Donated by: Mizzou Sports Properties | Josh Pell '07

Get ready for an unforgettable Mizzou Tigers football day! This exclusive package gives you and three guests an incredible game-day experience, perfect for lifelong fans or anyone who loves a great college football Saturday.

Includes 4 tickets to a TBD non-conference home game at Faurot Field, 4 pregame sideline passes, 4 passes to the Mizzou Sports Properties all-inclusive tailgate, 1 autographed football signed by Head Coach Eliah Drinkwitz. This is your all-access pass to Tiger Nation!

Valued at: \$1,250



1013 THE FIVE-NIGHT LAKESIDE
INDULGENCE AT TABLE ROCK LAKE

Donated by: Jeff Carter '94

If you're looking for lake resort accommodations with plenty of room for your group to stretch for 5 nights, look no further than this sizeable cabin at Table Rock Lake! With sleeping arrangements for up to 13 guests, it offers 3 bedrooms (king bed, queen bed, single-over-double bunk) and 3 bathrooms. The spacious great room includes a full kitchen stocked with dishes, cookware, and major appliances, ample dining space, and a living room with a cozy electric fireplace. An open loft offers more sitting room, a television, and 2 futons. The downstairs sitting area also provides a sofa bed. A private, covered deck provides a limited but private view and covers a downstairs patio. Guests can enjoy the comfort and conveniences of an in-unit washer and dryer, seasonal outdoor pool access, free wifi, and a variety of resort amenities. Pets are not allowed. The resort also has lake access with docks to swim or fish off of. Enjoy a 4 hour boat ride at Indian Point Marina.

Valued at: \$3,100



1014 BARTOLINO'S DINNER FOR 20

Donated by: Bartolino's Hospitality Group

Host an unforgettable evening with a catered Italian Dinner for 20. This pre-selected menu includes Chicken Spiedini, Pasta Vodka cream Sauce, Roasted Mixed Vegetables, House Dinner Salad, Italian Bread & Butter & Tiramisu.

Valued at: \$2,000





Beyond the classroom

At St. Mary's South Side Catholic High School, our impact reaches far beyond the classroom. Rooted in service and driven by mission, we are committed to strengthening not only our students, but the entire Dutchtown community. Through initiatives that address housing, financial stability, workforce development, and neighborhood revitalization, St. Mary's stands as a catalyst for lasting change—creating opportunity, restoring dignity, and building a stronger future for generations to come.



ST. JOSEPH HOUSING INITIATIVE

Co-founded by President Mike England and Bridget Flood, SJHI renovates vacant homes and sells them to first-time, low- to moderate-income homeowners. The program provides \$5,000 in down payment assistance and forgives \$1,000 annually. To date, 17 homes have been renovated (16 previously vacant), with 6 more in progress.



IRS TAX ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

For over 20 years, St. Mary's has provided free tax preparation for low-income families. Last year, 305 returns generated \$267,000 in refunds, including \$101,000 in Earned Income Tax Credits and \$92,000 in Child Tax Credits.



PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM IN THE TRADES

St. Mary's offers Missouri's only Catholic high school Pre-Apprenticeship program. Students visit 15 union training centers, earn OSHA-10 certification, and graduate ready to enter the trades as paid apprentices.

ANNUAL DAY OF SERVICE

For 12 years, St. Mary's has dedicated a full day to serving Dutchtown. Each year, 300+ students, faculty, and staff remove nearly one ton of trash and yard waste, making a lasting community impact.



CLASS OF 2025
by the numbers



100%
GRADUATED

37%
FOUR YEAR
COLLEGE &
UNIVERSITIES

37%
TWO YEAR /
TECHNICAL
COLLEGES

26%
OTHER
(MILITARY,
WORKFORCE)

Thank you

A strong St. Mary's strengthens all of St. Louis. Thank you for supporting the Gala on Grand. Your generosity makes this mission possible, directly impacting our students, families, and community while helping ensure that St. Mary's continues to stand as a beacon of opportunity, stability, and hope on the South Side for generations to come.

St. Mary's South Side Catholic High School is more than a school—it is a foundation of stability in a neighborhood that has faced years of loss and disinvestment. It provides students with structure, mentorship, and a path forward, while offering families access to opportunity and upward mobility.

As a constant in Dutchtown, St. Mary's is a place where people learn, serve, and grow—strengthening the community through education, career pathways, and service. When St. Mary's thrives, the neighborhood stabilizes, families stay, and communities grow.



