Stars Shine Brightly at Academic Awards Banquet

Congratulations, Class of 2020 Academic Stars! On May 14, Mary Star of the Sea High School honored our senior scholar students with a variety of awards for academic achievements. For the first time ever, the event was experienced “virtually” as the awards from both our school and local communities were announced. Principal's Honor Roll, CSF Sealbearers, NHS seniors, academic department awards, and many scholarship awards were announced. The students received their honor cords and medals with their graduation gowns the following week. Pre-recorded “live” awards were incorporated into the broadcast as Ms. Dever, Principal, and Fr. Nicholas Tacito, Rector, bestowed the major medal winners with their ribbons, culminating with the highlight announcement of the Class of 2020 Co-Valedictorians Luis Cardiel and Bronson Mathos and Salutatorians Jessica Grey and Jenna Miloe. Congratulations to all of our shining Stars! The MSHS Senior Awards Ceremony can be seen on our Mary Star High School YouTube page (https://bit.ly/2YunnWE). Underclass awards will be distributed during an awards assembly in the fall.

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Dear Parents, Students and Friends:

This unprecedented school year has ended! Congratulations especially to the Class of 2020! Both students and teachers deserve a much-needed summer break. It is my hope that we will all have a chance to refresh our bodies, minds, and spirits, and prepare ourselves for a normal school year, when we will all be able to be together again!

During the summer let’s not forget to keep in mind the mission and goals (the four C’s) of Mary Star of the Sea High School. Catholicism: To love Jesus Christ above all things, and our neighbor as ourselves. Character: To stand up for what is right and just. Curriculum: To develop our minds to grow in knowledge of God’s creation. Community: To devote ourselves to our Community, by helping those who are less fortunate.

The Catholic values that the school brings to the students are the guiding principles to true happiness for all of us, whether school is in session or not. They are given to us from Jesus Himself, and are intended to guide us and keep us happy through our journey in this life, and unto the eternal happiness of heaven.

In order to help us attain the happiness that He desires for us, Christ has given us the Church while we are on earth. Through the Church He reminds us to attend Sunday Mass every week. Even though we are dispensed for the time being due to Covid-19, we should do our best to attend mass in person now that the churches are opened, to use the Sacrament of Penance when available, especially when we are conscious of grave sin, and to pray daily.

When we follow Christ’s guiding principles, we experience the love that God wants to share with each of us: “Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love (Jn. 15:9-10).” When we choose not to follow God’s commands, we experience an emptiness within our hearts, for we are created by God, and for God, to be with Him forever. We never truly become the persons God created us to be until we fully commit ourselves to following Him.

As we enter into the summer break, it is my prayer that we all keep the values of Mary Star of the Sea High School alive in our hearts and minds. May God bless you all with a safe and refreshing summer. We hope to see you all in person soon as a Mary Star Family!

In Mary, Star of the Sea,

Rev. Nicholas Tacito, O.Praem.
Rector

Principal’s Message

Dear Parents, Students and Friends:

June is always a bittersweet month. Usually, after weeks of enjoying our traditional senior festivities we plan for graduation, then experience a sadness realizing we must say goodbye. However, on March 13, 2020 our whole world literally turned upside down. As students left campus that day to pursue distance learning, we were sure this would be temporary and they would return in a few weeks. We were wrong. I am sure for many seniors the last days of high school seemed like an eternity. Waiting each day with hope for an announcement that school would reopen only to be disappointed. The “Infinite” class of 2020 grieved their losses then stepped up to the plate as true leaders of Mary Star of the Sea High School. They joyfully participated in their virtual meetings and various ceremonies concluding with an informal graduation ceremony on May 29, 2020. As each Senior walked the “blue carpet” to receive their diploma and bid their high school farewell, I felt nothing but joy and pride in my heart. Dear Class of 2020, I love you and will never forget you. Congratulations!

As we approach the end of the school year and move toward summer, it is essential that students continue to work hard in all their classes and prepare for final exams. I commend our students for their patience and hard work during these months of distance learning. I am grateful to our teachers who worked hard to design rigorous and creative on-line lessons while remaining forgiving and understanding. I am also grateful to our parents who did not give up on Mary Star during this pandemic. I am also thankful to our many donors and sponsors who gave without being asked. We would not survive without the support of our entire Mary Star community.

The Mary Star family wishes a fond farewell to Mrs. Anna Andrie who is retiring after 30 years in Catholic Education and Mrs. Maria Ibarra who has served Catholic Schools for 35 years. Also, we say goodbye to Mr. William Spincola who after 5 years at Mary Star is moving to Hawaii and Ms. Courteny Flamengo who is entering graduate school. We appreciate the wonderful years of service these great educators gave to our school and wish them all the best.

Finally, the faculty, administration and staff sincerely thank the parents and friends of Mary Star for their loyal support and their hard work behind the scenes to make sure all of our school events are successful. Although we are uncertain of what the future brings, we do know that our Blessed Mother will continue to bless us. As a community we need to remember that the success of our school begins with our Catholic Christian mission, especially in these times. May you all have a safe and relaxing summer vacation, and return to Mary Star prepared to meet the challenges that await us for the upcoming school year.

Yours, in Mary, Star of the Sea,

Ms. Rita Dever
Principal
**Counseling Corner**

**Bulletin Board: Notes, News, Information**

☆ **SEMESTER GRADE ALERT!**  
To maintain a high level of eligibility for four-year colleges and universities, students should strive for the highest possible grades in all high school classes. In considering college and university admission, students must be aware that grades of “D” are not college qualifying. Any student earning semester grades of “D,” especially in math, science, English and foreign language, who wants to qualify to apply to a four-year college or university, must make up these grades as soon as possible. All semester grades of “F” must be remediated through summer school at Mary Star to earn high school credit and remain on track to graduate. If you have ANY questions about grades, eligibility for college/university or summer school, please make an appointment to see the appropriate grade level counselor as soon as possible.

☆ **Congratulations** to the many students honored at the annual Academic Awards Banquet in May. Outstanding students representing all grade levels attended and were honored throughout the evening. Congratulations again to all!

☆ **Newly Graduated Seniors** – Submit transcript requests for your final grades to be sent to the college/university you will attend in the fall. Athletes planning to play college-level sports must send a final transcript to the NCAA in addition to the college/university of attendance. Transcript request forms are available from Mrs. Phillips, Registrar, and online at www.marystarhigh.com → Alumni → Transcripts.

☆ **SUMMER SCHOOL** – Students in danger of receiving a grade of D or F in any class should speak with their teachers and/or counselors to verify their status. Students who received any semester grade of F and have not yet remediated the class are missing credits toward attaining their diploma. D’s and F’s should be remediated during the summer if possible. Summer School information has already been mailed home. Please contact the Main Office if you need additional Summer School registration forms or to enroll students for remediation and/or enrichment.

☆ **2020-2021 School Year** – Student schedules and other information will be mailed during the summer. Keep an eye out for this important mailing.

☆ **Classes of 2021 and 2022** – Students will receive information before the end of this school year detailing steps for success in junior and senior years and beyond. Both parents and students should read this information. Class of 2021 – be prepared! The college application process begins in September!

☆ **All Students** – Do you have an updated summary of achievement and activities that includes any high school academic awards, co-curricular activities, volunteer hours, and parish/community involvement? This is important for all students and CRITICAL for the Class of 2021. For more information about creating your achievement and activities summary, see your counselor.

☆ **Questions?** Consult your student’s counselor: Dr. Dever, Grades 9 and 10; Mr. Mendoza, Grade 11-12

**USEFUL WEBSITES**

**COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES California:**
- www.CaliforniaColleges.edu
- California State University: www.csumentor.edu
- University of California: www.ucop.edu/pathways

**Nationwide:**
- www.ed.gov/thinkcollege
- www.collegeview.com
- www.catholiccollegesonline.org
- www.accuinet.org
- Athletics: www.ncaa.org/student-athletes

**TESTING AGENCIES/COLLEGE INFO**
- www.act.org
- www.collegeboard.com

**FINANCIAL AID**
- www.studentaid.ed.gov
- www.fafsa.ed.gov
- www.edvisors.com
- www.college-scholarships.com

**SCHOLARSHIPS**
- www.fastweb.com
- www.irs.ustreasures.gov
- www.collegenet.com
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Daniel Aguilera
Petra Avelar
Melanie Bradley
Nicolas Campbell
Maree Campfield
Luis Cardiel
Qijia (Nancy) Chen
Stephen Cooper
Sophie DiLeva
Marina Erosa
Nancy Gomez-Malfavon
Marco Ibarra
Brianna Jolon
Barbara Ann Klepl
Kaya Lindberg
Zhaoxu (Josh) Liu
Ariana Lockwood
Julia Magrini
Bronson Mathos
Nora McGinity
Dominicq Mendoza
Jessica Perez
Eddy Rodas Lima
Alessandra Samperio
Kiana Sarabia
Mia Scognamillo
Amanda Spincola
Ryann Tolliver-Burruss
Jose Velazquez
Gabriel Villanueva
Jacob Ernesto Villaruz
Mengyao (Laura) Yin

Kiana Sarabia
Abbot Parker Scholarship
Citizenship Award
Madryde Alario
St. Hermann Joseph Scholarship
Heleodoro Gastelum
Archdiocesan Christian Service Award
Bernadette Tew
Stella Maris Seyanu Adisa Memorial Award
Citizenship Award

Marco Ibarra
Gold Medal
Citizenship Award
Sierra Salas
Gold Medal
Eddy Rodas Lima
Silver Medal
Citizenship Award
Amanda Spincola
Silver Medal
Archdiocesan Christian Service Award
Citizenship Award

Yohan Afewerki
Bronze Medal
Sofia Amalfitano
Bronze Medal
Christine Chen
Bronze Medal
Daniel Flores
Bronze Medal

Nora McGinity
Bronze Medal
Citizenship Award
David Park
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Ernest Vega
Bronze Medal

Perfect Attendance
Melanie Bradley
Daniel Flores
Amanda Spincola

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Mary Star of the Sea High School is proud of the diversity of college and university acceptances reflected by the Class of 2020. All but three graduates plan to attend a college or university this fall, with three graduates enlisting in the military. The Class of 2020 was accepted into the following colleges and universities:

- Academy of Art University
- American University
- Arizona State University
- Azusa Pacific University
- Baylor University
- Biola University
- Boise State University
- California Lutheran University
- California Polytechnic State University
- California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
- California State University, Bakersfield
- California State University, Channel Islands
- California State University, Chico
- California State University, Dominguez Hills
- California State University, Fresno
- California State University, Fullerton
- California State University, Long Beach
- California State University, Los Angeles
- California State University Maritime Academy
- California State University, Monterey Bay
- California State University, Northridge
- California State University, Sacramento
- California State University, San Bernardino
- California State University, San Marcos
- California State University, Stanislaus
- Cerroitos College
- Chaminade University
- Chaminade University of Honolulu
- Chapman University
- Charles R. Drew University
- City University of Hong Kong
- Colorado School of Mines
- Colorado State University
- Concordia University Irvine
- Concordia University Wisconsin
- Cuesta College
- Culinary Institute of America
- Eastern Nazarene College
- El Camino College
- El Camino College – Honors Transfer Program
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
- Emory University, Louisiana State University
- Florida State University
- Golden West College
- Gonzaga University
- Hamline University
- Hawaii Pacific University
- Humboldt State University
- Indiana University Bloomington
- John Paul the Great Catholic University
- Kelley School of Business
- Lehigh University
- Lewis and Clark College
- Long Beach City College
- Long Beach Community College
- Los Angeles Harbor College
- Louisiana State University
- Loyola Marymount University
- Loyola University Chicago
- Marymount California University
- Merchant Marine Academy
- Michigan State University
- Montana State University
- Mount St. Mary’s University
- Mt. San Antonio College
- Naval Academy Preparatory School
- Newastle University
- Niagara Falls University
- Northern Arizona University
- Nova Southeastern University
- Orange Coast College
- Oregon Institute of Technology
- Oregon State University
- Pacific University
- Pasadena City College
- Pennsylvania State University
- Pepperdine University
- Point Loma Nazarene University
- Purdue University
- Regis University
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Rice University
- Ripon College
- Rutgers University
- Rutgers University – New Brunswick
- Sacramento State University
- Saddleback College
- Saint Mary’s College
- Saint Mary’s College of California
- Saint Mary’s University of Minnesota
- Sallynoggin College of Further Education (Ireland)
- San Diego State University
- San Francisco State University
- San Jose State University
- Santa Clara University
- Santa Monica College
- Sonoma State University
- Southern Methodist University
- Southern University and A&M College
- Stevens Institute of Technology
- Stillman University
- Stonehill College
- Stony Brook University
- Syracuse University
- The American University of Rome
- The Ohio State University
- The Ohio State University - Fisher Business School
- The University of British Columbia (Canada)
- The University of Texas at Austin
- Thomas Aquinas College
- United States Air Force Academy Preparatory School
- Universal Technical Institute
- University of Alabama
- University of Alabama at Birmingham
- University of Arizona
- University of California Berkeley
- University of California Davis
- University of California Irvine
- University of California Los Angeles
- University of California Merced
- University of California Riverside
- University of California San Diego
- University of California Santa Barbara
- University of California Santa Cruz
- University of Colorado
- University of Colorado Boulder
- University of Connecticut
- University of Florida
- University of Georgia
- University of Hawaii at Manoa
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- University of Iowa
- University of Kansas
- University of La Verne
- University of Maryland
- University of Miami
- University of Minnesota - Twin Cities
- University of Montana
- University of New Mexico
- University of Northern Colorado
- University of Nottingham
- University of Oklahoma
- University of Oregon
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of the Pacific
- University of Puget Sound
- University of Redlands
- University of San Diego
- University of San Francisco
- University of South Carolina
- University of the Pacific
- University of Utah
- University of Warwick
- University of Washington
- University of Wisconsin - Madison
- University of Wyoming
- Vanguard University
- Wagner College
- Westmont College
- Whittier College

A Note from the Dean
Ms. Shelly Sabra

Congratulations to our seniors as they begin their future! Best of luck to the “Infinite” Class of 2020. Thank you to all students for your cooperation in following school rules throughout the year. I hope everyone enjoys a safe and relaxing summer vacation.
Thank You for supporting Mary Star of the Sea High School!

Dear parents, students and friends,

I would like to thank everyone who helped make our annual fundraiser, A Night of 1000 Stars, a success! Even though we couldn’t celebrate with one another in person, this important event helped raise over $400,000 of necessary funds for our school so that we can continue to provide a quality Catholic education for our community.

My gratitude continues to go to our event volunteers: Tom Stoudt, Maggie Tedesco, Katie Tedesco, Steve Tedesco, Jan Moore, Pam Geraghty, Shannon Deeter, Jean Pichler, Mike Ringleman, Mary Miloe, Jeanna Alves and Pam Leonardo.

My gratitude especially extends to all our underwriters, table sponsors and auction donors who donated even though we had to postpone the event until next year. Thank you for helping build up the kingdom of God at Mary Star of the Sea High School.

A great big thank you to Alumnus Chuck Ursini, Class of 93, who spearheaded a $50,000 matching gift campaign during the Covid-19 crisis. We are deeply thankful for the generosity of all our benefactors, families and friends during this difficult time. Any gift has been or will be greatly appreciated! God bless you.

Above all, we must thank almighty God, who in his providence has blessed our school community with such dedicated and generous persons. All our work must be ordered for His greater honor and glory. May God bless you all for your support. May God bless you all for your support.

In Mary, Star of the Sea,
Rev. Nicholas Tacito, O.Praem.
Rector

We Remember...

Mary Star of the Sea High School is extremely grateful to those families whose donations include remembrances and dedications to their loved ones who have passed. Please keep the following family members, who were remembered this year in Memorial Pledges to our school, in your prayers:

Andrew Cesareo  Joe Cracchiolo  Pete Costa
Annette Shannon Batinovich  Josie Mijat  Phillip Guglielmo
Billy Brock  Jovan Napolta  Rosa Albano
Diane DiBernardo Johnson  Kathleen Fiamengo Wagoner  Sam Dobra
Frances Crum  Mariann Bucci  Stella Lauro
Geri Ann Biazevich  Mario Meyers  Vince Fiamengo
Helen Ursich  Norma Marich  Virginia De Leva
Jack Dalton  Pat Ryan  Winifred A. Tudor
Thank You for supporting Mary Star of the Sea High School!

We Thank Our Generous Underwriters

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Golden Shamrock/Mr. & Mrs. Paul Duffy
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Al Larson Boat Shop/George & Jack Wall

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McNerney’s Mortuary - Bautista Family
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Mocket
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Michael & Maria Smith
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Tacito Associates
Mrs. Winnie Tedesco
Mrs. Nancy Wolhaupter

We Thank Our Wonderful Table Captains

BLUE RIBBON TABLE
Esperanza Foundation
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Duffy
St. Michael’s Abbey
Mrs. Yvonne Bogdanovich
Al Larson Boat Shop/George & Jack Wall

WHITE RIBBON TABLE
Mr. & Mrs. Dino Andrie
The Dever Family
Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Duhovic

YELLOW RIBBON TABLE
Mrs. Violet Marinkovich
DiLeva/Cigliano
Brian and Edith Robinson
Stella Maris Bookstore
Mrs. Sharon Sulentor
Cruz and Kim Saavedra
Bob and Mary Hohman
Mr. & Mrs. David Andrews
Rancho LPG Holdings - Isabel Viramontes
Mrs. Ethel Gallagher

RED RIBBON TABLE
Steve and Pam Geraghty
Sean and Leslie Bennett
Des and Ann Armstrong
Phillips 66 - Juliana Moreno
**Other News**

**Heavenly Humor**

The pastor happily told his congregation about the church’s new public address system. He explained that the microphone and wiring were paid for with church funds. Then he added, “The loudspeaker was donated by a member of our congregation in memory of his wife.”

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**Campus Ministry - Rico Emnace, Director of Campus Ministry**

**Celebration Honors Mary**

Despite the challenges of not having students at school, Campus Ministry was still able to celebrate two important and wonderful celebrations in May. Firstly, the month of May is dedicated to our Blessed Mother and we usually have a Marian Day celebration to honor our patroness. Part of that day is the crowning of the statue of Mary. Although we did not have a Marian Day Celebration we still honored our mother with a crowning which we streamed live on our social media outlets. Senior students Kiana Sarabia and Nicholas Campbell had the privilege of placing a beautiful flower lei and crown on Mary, and our Norbertine fathers filled in as our school choir. We also celebrated our seniors with a modified Baccalaureate Mass which we also streamed live. Fr. Harrigan, along with Fr. Nicholas, presided over the liturgy with Sophie DiLeva, Ashley Rico, Sierra Salas, Madryne Alario, and Marco Ibarra representing the senior class. During the Mass, the MSHS traditional Rose Ceremony took place with Class of 1989 Graduate Rick Ibarra representing the MSHS Alumni Association as well as the Candle Ceremony with the 2021 Class President Kaitlyn McWilliams. We thank our seniors for everything they have brought to our school and we pray that they will continue to be God’s light in all their future endeavors. Both events can be watched on the Mary Star High School YouTube channel ([https://bit.ly/2YunnWE](https://bit.ly/2YunnWE)).
Student Council for 2020-2021

Our 2020 Campaign/Elections went spectacular even with Distant Learning upon us. Our students stepped up and created their own campaign platforms that were viewed virtually by all current Juniors, Sophomores and Freshmen. Our election was held the last weeks of May and our new leaders have been chosen. Congratulations to the following ASB & Class Officers for the year 2020 - 2021:

★ ASB ★

Officers

Co-President:
Kaitlyn McWilliams

Co-President:
Cheryl Razonable

Secretary:
Ashley Flores

Commissioner of Campus Ministry:
Ava Cordero

Commissioner of Spirit:
Teana Gomez

Commissioner of Technology:
Jillian Pasquarella

★ ASB Cabinet ★

Board Officers

ASB CAMPUS MINISTRY CABINET:
Brooks Montoya and Abigail Warner

ASB CAMPUS LIFE CABINET:
Ryan Domingo, Esperanza Garcia, Gian-Paolo Magno and Kaye Ybanez

ASB TECH TEAM:
Sophia Aguilar and Alexis Smith

ASB ATHLETICS CABINET:
Giovanni Boocanfuso, Jorel Cara and Maddie Purves

ASB SCHOOL SPIRIT CABINET:
Ariana Bautista, Alexis Buscemi, Isabella Orlando and Sammy Sabra

ASB ADMINISTRATIVE CABINET:
Lander Villafania

ASB AMBASSADORS:
Pierce D’Ambrosi, Lily Ruggiero, Ryenne Skoblar and Travis Thompson

★ Senior ★

Class Officers

President:
Kaitlyn Oasay

Secretary:
Lorenzo Rodriguez

Campus Ministry:
Alexis Ravelo

Spirit:
Vanessa Castro

★ Junior ★

Class Officers

President:
Anna Duhovic

Secretary:
Chloe Correa

Campus Ministry:
Open

Spirit:
Magdalena Huizar

★ Sophomore ★

Class Officers

President:
Teresa Turbide

Secretary:
Claire Babbitt

Campus Ministry:
Alicia Barnes

Spirit:
Daniella Spralja

We look forward to a new year where our Freshmen Class Officers will join our student council. If any incoming Freshman is interested in becoming a part of this group, Campaigning and Election will take place when we return in August 2020.
Thank you to all who contributed to Mary Star of the Sea High School e-waste recycle drive. We collected 12 unwanted monitors/televisions, 14 obsolete LCD Monitors/Plasma TVs, 11 out-of-service laptops, and 1 pallet of other miscellaneous e-waste. The total weight of e-waste was 1,570 pounds! The school will receive a compensation in the amount around $150 from the recycling company. Thank you again for doing your part in keeping electronic waste out of our landfills and the pollutants from our water supply.

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**Tech News**

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**Other News**

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**MSHS Sports Corner - Rick Ibarra, Athletic Director**

Each year we recognize several of our senior student athletes who have excelled in athletics this year and throughout their years at Mary Star.

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**CIF-SS Academic Awards**

First, the CIF-Southern Section Academic Awards Program. The stringent requirements for this nomination include: 3.5 GPA during the recipients sophomore, junior, and senior years, in addition to involvement in both athletic and extra-curricular activities, assures the selection of only the finest student-athletes. This academic award is the highest individual award bestowed upon students from the CIF Southern Section. Congratulations to Ashley Rico and Isaac Colloca the 2019-2020 award winners.

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**Tim Wrightman Scholar Athlete Award**

The Tim Wrightman Scholar Athlete Award is given to the top senior male scholar/athlete at Mary Star of the Sea High School. The student athlete has demonstrated high athletic ability while maintaining a high GPA. The recipient will receive a plaque and his name will be added to the memorial trophy. The 2019-2020 Tim Wrightman Scholar Athlete Award recipient is Marco Ibarra.

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**CIF Shakes Up 2020-2021 High School Sports**

The CIF announced that there will only be two seasons of sports during the 2020-2021 school year and no sports will begin before December 2020.
MSHS Senior Awarded Scholarship for Essay Contest

MSHS senior, Julia Magrini, won a $750 scholarship in the Cabrini Literary Guild competition. The competition was open to all Catholic high school students in the Los Angeles Archdiocese and required students to submit an original essay centered on the question of whether/how social media influences racism in the modern day. Julia’s essay (“Prevalence of Racism Through Social Media”) intricately explored the ways in which different online platforms can be used by people to promote racist jokes, beliefs, etc. and therefore contribute to a sense of divisiveness. She also reflected on our responsibility to help address this issue in our society, and to shine a light on the beauty of our country’s incredible cultural diversity. Due to COVID-19 the award ceremony was cancelled, however she received the scholarship check in the mail. Congratulations Julia!

Athletic Booster Club

The Mary Star High School Athletic Booster Club would like to congratulate the young men and women who participated on a sports team during the fall, winter and spring seasons. Although the year did not end the way we wanted or anticipated with COVID-19, all MSHS athletes and coaches that were affected handled it with grace and dignity. We are very proud of you and your athletic accomplishments this year!

Thank you to all who planned, worked on and supported the 2019-2020 Athletic Booster Club activities. We will continue in 2020-2021 to support the Mary Star High School athletic programs through our pancake breakfasts, community card sales and booster bash. With the constantly changing times we may have to be creative in fundraising and how we support our athletic programs. Please watch the website for announcements on how to become involved in these and other events.

We are seeking volunteers to work with us and improve the Booster Club for next school year. If interested in joining our club, please contact the Main Office or send us an email at athleticboosters@marystarhigh.com for more information.

Volunteer Opportunities

The new recording period for parent volunteer hours (2020-2021) school year began May 1. Please be aware of possible volunteer opportunities to gain hours by checking the monthly newsletter, the school calendar and the Web site. For single parent families or those in need, one alternate may be used. The alternate must be 18 years of age and be listed on the summer time sheet. Time sheets are due in the school office on or about the fifth of each month, with the exception of the summer months, (June, July, and August) which are due on or about September 5th.

We are in need of volunteers to sell Scrip on Sundays at Mary Star of the Sea Church from 7:45 AM - 11:45 AM. The high school sells Scrip every other weekend. If interested, please contact Mrs. Alves through the main office at 310-547-1138.

Volunteers are a vital part of the school community and we truly appreciate your help. If you have questions regarding volunteer hours, contact the school office at (310) 547-1138.

Catholic Words of Wisdom

Unless we believe and see Jesus in the appearance of bread on the altar, we will not be able to see him in the distressing disguise of the poor.

-Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta
MSHS Latin Students Shines on the National Exams

National Roman Civilization Exam Silver Winner
☆ Erica Heredia
☆ Amanda Spincola

National Roman Civilization Exam Bronze Winner
☆ Emily Tew

National Latin Vocabulary Exam Gold Winner
☆ Amanda Spincola

National Latin Vocabulary Exam Silver Winner
☆ Emily Tew

National Latin Vocabulary Exam Bronze Winner
☆ Erica Heredia

National Mythology Exam Silver Winner
☆ Vincent Ferrer
☆ Amanda Spincola
☆ Vincent Barnes
☆ Abigail Warner
☆ Erica Heredia

National Mythology Exam Bronze Winner
☆ Claire Lee
☆ Adam Turbide
☆ Serena Quintana
☆ Matthew Flaum

National Latin Examination Silver Winner
☆ Madison Purves
☆ Claire Lee

Congratulations to the MSHS Latin Students!

MSHS School Uniforms at Norman’s

MSHS school uniforms should be purchased at Norman’s located at 371 W 6th St, San Pedro, CA 90731. Norman’s would like to encourage the MSHS families to order online this school season. To help facilitate that, Norman’s is offering free shipping on all orders $75+ and curbside pickup which can be selected at check out on the website. The new Norman’s website is: https://www.normansuniforms.com/collections/mary-star-high-school.

The dress uniform is the required uniform. All other pieces (i.e. shorts, sweatshirts, jackets, etc) are optional. The dress uniform may be worn everyday but is required to be worn on Mass days, field trips, and other days designated by the administration:

Boys: Khaki uniform pants, brown or black belt, white uniform polo, uniform pullover or cardigan sweater, solid shoes and socks (black, white, gray, navy)

Girls: Khaki Uniform pants or skirt, white uniform polo, uniform pullover or cardigan sweater, solid shoes and socks (black, white, gray, navy).

Masks will be mandatory at all times. They must be solid black, white, gray, blue, or navy. MSHS will have masks available for purchase.

Mary Star High School Mobile App and More!

Mary Star of the Sea High School has a mobile phone app that is specifically designed for your Apple or Android phone. We hope the app will help us to reach you better in a way that is most convenient to you—your mobile device. Download the app by going to the Apple App Store or Google Play and searching for Mary Star of the Sea High School. MSHS is also excited about the official Facebook and Instagram Pages. Follow us at:
Confirmation Update

We wanted to let the students know who were preparing for Confirmation this year, that we will be celebrating Confirmation in late August and will give out more details at the beginning of that month. If you have any questions you may contact Mr. Emnace at remnace@marystarhigh.com

MSHS Alumni Corner

Mary Star English Teacher Brittany Radine (Class of 2012) and Mary Star assistant football Coach Joseph Alves (Class of 2013) said “I Do” despite the coronavirus pandemic. The two were married on Saturday, June 13th at Mary Star of the Sea Church with immediate family in attendance. Their larger marriage celebration will be postponed to a later date. Mary Star wishes the couple a lifetime of happiness and love as they begin this new chapter together.

73rd Annual Mary Star Parish Fiesta Postponed

Plans are in the works by the Parish to have some type of fundraiser similar to annual fiesta. Please visit the Mary Star of the Sea Parish website for a October Parish fundraiser.
The Year of COVID-19

MSHS hopes you and your families remain safe during these difficult months. This was a very unique ending to the 2020 School Year. Here is a snapshot of what transpired since March. There are many unknowns moving forward so stay tuned...

**Wednesday, March 11, 2020**
All school trips to public venues where there is exposure to crowds are cancelled until further notice.

**Thursday, March 12, 2020**
Due to public health guidance to limit non-essential events and to employ social distancing, all school masses, events, and athletic competitions are cancelled through the month of March.

**Monday, March 16, 2020**
Student-free day to provide our faculty time on campus to prepare for online and other remote learning.

**Tuesday, March 17, 2020**
The Archdiocese of Los Angeles closes all schools and moves to remote learning. Families should anticipate the closure period to last at least through Tuesday, March 31.

**Tuesday, March 24, 2020**
Safer at Home order issued through Easter Break.

**April 3, 2020**
All CIF Spring Sports Championships at the state and section levels are cancelled.

**Thursday, April 16, 2020**
Based on the directive from Governor Gavin Newsom and Archbishop Jose Gomez, MSHS will extend distance learning at least through May 16, 2020.

**Friday, April 17, 2020**
MSHS introduces new online learning schedule, with a combination of recorded and live lessons. Friday is designated an independent study day as well as a day for conferencing with teachers and counselors, and weekly presentations from Campus Ministry and ASB.

**Monday, May 18 – May 22, 2020**
Seniors may pick up their Caps and Gowns.

**Thursday, May 21, 2020**
Senior Academic Awards Ceremony

**Thursday, May 28, 2020**
Baccalaureate Mass livestreamed

**Friday, May 29, 2020**
Graduation Ceremony posted on MSHS Facebook page. Senior Graduation Drive-through for diploma cases.

**June 10 - June 12, 2020**
9-12 Grade Final Exams

**June 12, 2020**
School’s Out for Summer

**June 22, 2020**
Remote Learning Summer School Begins
**SCRIP News**

Your Scrip obligations for the 2020-2021 school year began May 1, 2020 and will run through April 30, 2021. Thank you to everyone who purchased Scrip this school year. Our program is always a huge success and benefits our school greatly. Scrip is available for purchase during the Summer Session. We appreciate your continued support.

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**Mark your Calendar! Important dates for the 2020-2021 School Year**

2020
- **August 11-14:** Pupil Free Days
- **August 17:** Orientation Day for Freshmen only
- **August 18:** Orientation Day for Sophomores only
- **August 19:** Orientation Day for Juniors only
- **August 20:** Orientation Day for Seniors only
- **August 21:** Virtual Back to School Mass and ASB Welcome to Mary Star of the Sea High School from 8:00 am - 12:15 PM
- **September 7:** Labor Day Holiday
- **September 9:** Back to School Night for all parents of all grades in gym at 7PM
- **November 11:** Veterans’ Day
- **November 23-27:** Thanksgiving Holiday
- **December 16-18:** Semester Exams*
- **Dec. 14-18:** Dead period for sports and co-curricular activities for Archdiocesan and Parish High Schools)
- **Dec. 21-Jan. 8:** Christmas Vacation
- **2021**
- **January 11:** School Resumes first day of 2nd semester
- **January 18:** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- **February 15:** Presidents’ Day Holiday
- **April 1-April 9:** Easter Vacation
- **May 21:** No School
- **May 28:** Graduation for Seniors
- **May 31:** Memorial Day Holiday
- **June 7-9:** Semester Exams
- **June 4-9:** MSHS Dead period for Final Exams
- **June 10:** Last day to make-up final exams

*Semester exams will be administered before the Christmas break, therefore, concluding the first semester.

**PLEASE NOTE:** MSHS WILL FOLLOW ALL STATE, COUNTY AND DEPARTMENT OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS AND PROCEDURES FOR SCHOOLS.

PARENTS WHO ARE NOT COMFORTABLE SENDING THEIR CHILDREN BACK TO MSHS DUE TO THE COVID-19 ARE TO CALL THE SCHOOL TO ENROLL IN OUR DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAM.

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**2020 Events on Official MSHS YouTube Channel**

Due to COVID-19, some of the 2020 Spring events were done via video. These events include Stations of the Cross, May Crowning 2020, Senior Academic Award Ceremony, Baccalaureate Mass and Graduation Ceremony. These events can be viewed on the official Mary Star High School YouTube channel. If you watch the Graduation ceremony to the very end you can see special graduation messages from Kevin James, Justin Fatica, Scott Hahn, Fr. Greg Boyle and Abby Johnson.

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**Virtual Art Show on MSHS Website**

On May 27, 2020 MSHS Art Teacher Ms. Sherman published a Virtual Art Show featuring Art from MSHS Students. It is definately worth viewing. The show can be viewed at marystarhigh.com under Student Life. Thank you Ms. Sherman and all who contributed Art to the presentation. Hope you enjoy. Great Job STARS!

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**Congratulations MSHS Class of 2020**
In his message to our community of faith this week, Archbishop Gomez reminded us that racism is “a blasphemy against God, who creates all men and women with equal dignity. It has no place in a civilized society and no place in a Christian heart.” We must treat one another with dignity, compassion, love and respect, as children of God, regardless of race, language, or country of origin. We must follow God’s commandment to love one another as he loves us.

As an Archdiocese, we stand committed to continuing to work to end racial injustice in our society and promote peaceful dialogue, discourse and understanding on race and social justice.

Attached, please find a prayer card in English and Spanish to be distributed at all parishes, schools, and ministries of the Archdiocese to help our community of faith continue to pray for an end to racism in our society. The prayer cards and other resources to help foster dialogue, action, prayer and healing can also be found at https://lacatholics.org/healing/.

On June 9th, the day of George Floyd’s funeral in Houston, priests may celebrate Mass using prayers from the “Masses and Prayers for Various needs and Occasions.” For example, the Mass for “The Preservation of Peace and Justice” (#30A). Priests may also include prayers for the repose of his soul and for his family’s comfort and peace at the Prayers of the Faithful during Mass.

In addition, parishes are invited to ring their bells at 9:00 A.M. for 8 minutes and 46 seconds, the amount of time that he was held down.

Below are a few links to additional resources from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and Catholic Charities USA:

• http://ccc.usccb.org/flipbooks/catechism/473/index.html

Let us continue to offer our prayers for the soul of George Floyd, and for his family. And let us pray for all those who are working to put an end to racial injustice in our society.