



# Graduate at Graduation - Focus your gaze on Christ

*After leaving elementary school, may St. Mary students continue to say yes to God, share the joy of good news, walk with others when times are tough, and be confident in their knowledge to move forward on God's path for them*

## **Say yes to God in your life**

The process of saying 'yes' to God involves listening and reading about the Catholic faith and then applying what the student has learned to their lived experience.

The focus on God's intended path for each person teaches students focus, self-discipline, and respect for everyone's independent journey.

## **Share Joy**

The focus on joy empowers and motivates students individually. Embracing the joy of those on their team earns loyalty, respect, and friendship and creates harmony due to a deep value for each person's talents and skills.

## *The Magnificat* The Prayer Of Mary

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
and my spirit exults in God my Savior,  
For he has looked upon his handmaid in her lowliness;  
henceforth all ages will call me blessed.  
For the Almighty has done great things for me.  
And holy is his name.  
His loving mercy is from age to age  
for those who fear him.  
He has made known the strength of his arm,  
and has scattered the proud of heart.  
He has put down the mighty from their thrones  
and has exalted those who are lowly.  
He has filled the hungry with good things,  
and has sent the rich away empty.  
He has always helped Israel his servant,  
mindful of his loving mercy.  
Even as he promised our fathers,  
to Abraham and his descendants forever.

## **Walk with others**

Walking with others requires students to be aware of their self-control, express their emotions, and handle interpersonal relationships with empathy.

St. Mary's Parish School celebrates spiritual growth in a Christ-centered environment this spiritual growth comes directly from seeing God in others and treating each person as God. Walking with others promotes seeing Christ in others.

## **Be knowledgeable & know you're capable**

Leadership, self-management, research and analysis, critical thinking, decision making, writing, and organizational skills. Academic excellence is a constant at St Mary's Parish School. Students need to see themselves as fully capable.