

# Society of Mary

An International Religious Congregation

*Marists in the United States*



September 12, 2025

**Marist School**  
Atlanta, Georgia

On August 29<sup>th</sup>, before the War Eagles took the field against Woodward in Hughes Spalding Stadium, Marist School's Generations families gathered on campus to kick off the school year. Hosted by the Alumni Office, the Generations Welcome Back Tailgate celebrated alumni who are now current Marist parents or grandparents, offering a warm welcome to new legacy families and a joyful reunion for returning ones.



**Students Grow as Marist Summer Camp  
Counselors by Thomas Mastella '26**



On August 28<sup>th</sup>, Marist School opened its doors to families for Parents' Night in School. Parents explored their children's courses, met their teachers, and experienced firsthand the care and excellence that define a Marist education.

This year, the Marist School community embraces a new Marist pledge that calls us to be a place where every student is known, respected, and able to thrive. Student Council co-presidents Cece Watson '26, and Ryan Akin '26 have also introduced this year's student theme: "We Are Marist." The theme reminds the community that they are faithful, spirited, driven, and united in the communal pursuit of excellence.





## Activity Fair

This event showcases the breadth of passions, talents, and leadership opportunities across campus. From service to storytelling, analytics to advocacy, this year's fair took flight with War Eagle energy.



## Ready for Fall 2025 Semester!



## Saturday Session Check-in Meeting

The new school year means having check-in meetings with parents at the start of the Saturday Sessions. We reviewed the upcoming curriculums, and shared announcements, reminders, and feedback survey opportunities with the 7<sup>th</sup> grade parents!



## First Weeks of School!





### Very Special Visit

On September 10<sup>th</sup>, the NDP community had the honor of welcoming Detroit Archbishop Edward Weisenburger to campus! He toured all three NDP schools, met with faculty and staff and, best of all, shared joyful moments and lively conversations with the students. It was truly a blessing to have the Archbishop on campus, and the NDP community is so grateful for his encouragement and steadfast support of Catholic education.



### Board Announces New Trustees and Committee Appointments

### NDP Students Inducted into National Junior Honor Society

The newest 8<sup>th</sup> grade members of NDP's National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) were recently inducted. NJHS is built upon five pillars: character, citizenship, scholarship, service and leadership. Membership not only recognizes students for their accomplishments, but challenges them to develop further through active involvement in school activities and community service.



### NDP Lower School Fall Family Festival



## Grandparents Day 2025

A day of prayer, celebration and pride as the NDP community welcomed lower school grandparents to campus on September 5<sup>th</sup>!



## Multicultural Mass



## Big Little Buddy Program

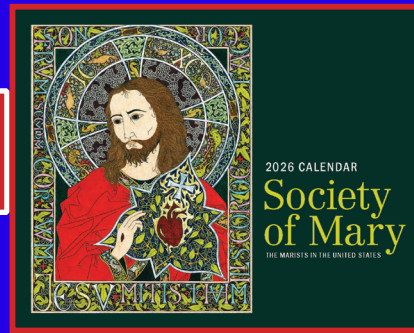


On September 5<sup>th</sup>, Mrs. Julie Pack, ND Academy's Director of Religious Education, visited Ms. Sweet's 1st grade class to help guide them in writing their Marist Charism Class Prayer. Ardent Love of Neighbor is not only ND Academy's Marian virtue of the month, it is also first grade's virtue for the entire school year.





## 2026 Society of Mary USA Annual Calendar



### *With Mary at Pentecost*

General Chapter 2025



### General Chapter 2025

From September 13<sup>th</sup> to October 5<sup>th</sup>, the Society of Mary will hold its 30<sup>th</sup> General Chapter in Nemi, near Rome, Italy. The General Chapter will gather Marists from around the world under the guiding theme *With Mary at Pentecost*.

All are invited to pray for the General Chapter 2025. The Marists are grateful for your prayers.

### *Chapter Prayer*

Lord Jesus,

In the Upper Room,  
your mother Mary,  
your disciples and the women  
were united in prayer.

Through the action of the Holy Spirit  
their hearts were opened  
and they overcame their fear,  
becoming living witnesses  
to your Gospel.

As we prepare for  
our General Chapter,  
grant us the grace to listen  
attentively to your voice,  
to be sensitive to the needs  
of our world, and  
to discern the ways we are called  
to serve in these challenging times.

Through your Spirit,  
fill us with the same boldness  
and zeal as Mary,  
the women and the apostles.

May we proclaim your Word to all.  
May we be instruments of mercy  
in a world longing  
for your healing touch.

Amen.

### Marist Farewell after 157 Years



### Raising the colors ceremony

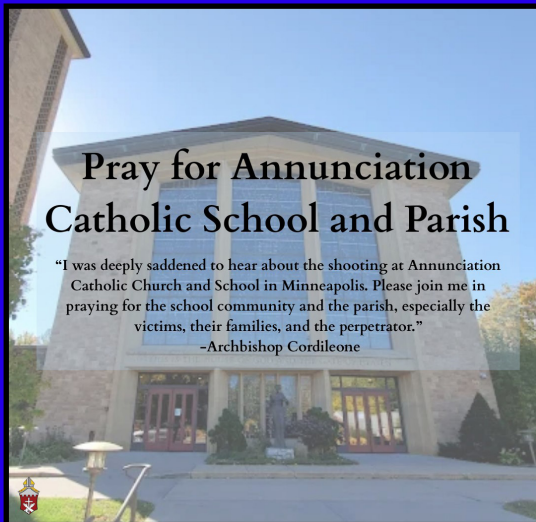
On September 8<sup>th</sup>, the primary school pupils, in the presence of the Principal, Deputy Principals, the Headmaster of the Primary School and the Prefets, proceeded with the first raising of the colors of the school year. The occasion was also taken to place at the feet of the Virgin Mary the wishes of peace, health, reconciliation, success for the establishment.



Archbishop Hartmayer's statement on  
Minnesota Catholic school shooting



Please pray for all those affected by the  
deadly shooting at Annunciation in  
Minneapolis



After Annunciation: School shootings are  
not only a political problem. They're a  
spiritual sickness.



Pope Leo's very Marian papacy (so far)



Marist Laity NZ – September  
Reflection: A Special Voice





**Feast of The Most Holy Name of Mary**

*The Holy Name of*



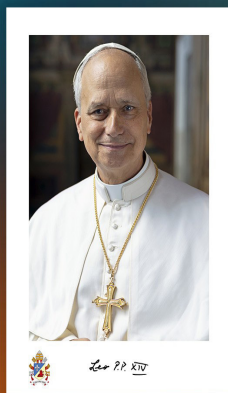
*Mary*

*"And the virgin's name was Mary" Lk 1,27*

*Feast 12th September*

**Happy  
Birthday  
Pope Leo XIV!**

**Let us pray for  
the Pope on  
his 70<sup>th</sup>  
birthday.  
Viva Il Papa!**



*Lord,  
Cover with your  
protection, Our  
Holy Father, Pope  
Leo.*

*Be his light,  
His strength,  
His Fortitude.  
Amen*

**(September 14<sup>th</sup>)**

**Pope's brother, friends in the Chicago  
area will mark pontiff's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday**

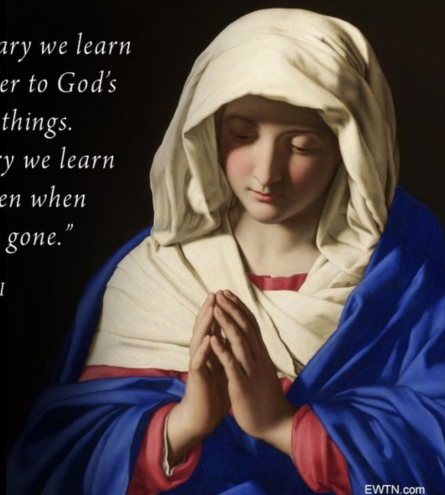


**Our Lady of Sorrows  
- September 15<sup>th</sup>**

**OUR LADY of SORROWS**

*"From Mary we learn  
to surrender to God's  
will in all things.  
From Mary we learn  
to trust even when  
all hope is gone."*

*St. John Paul II*



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