





—When the Sea is rough
and wild,
—Mary, come to the aid of
thy helpless child;



—When the waves roll high in
temptation's hour,
—Ask thy Son to save us
by His power.

Maris Stella

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Foreword

The role of St. Mary's Academy has been from its very foundation that of a developer. She has taken the potentialities confided to her care and has brought them out in negative form, only to have them unfold and develop when she sends them into the world of work and community affairs. Her students seek their perfection in Christian Living, and thereby attain their final goal, Heaven. The habits and attitudes formed by these students towards people and public problems make them an influence in good Christian Living.

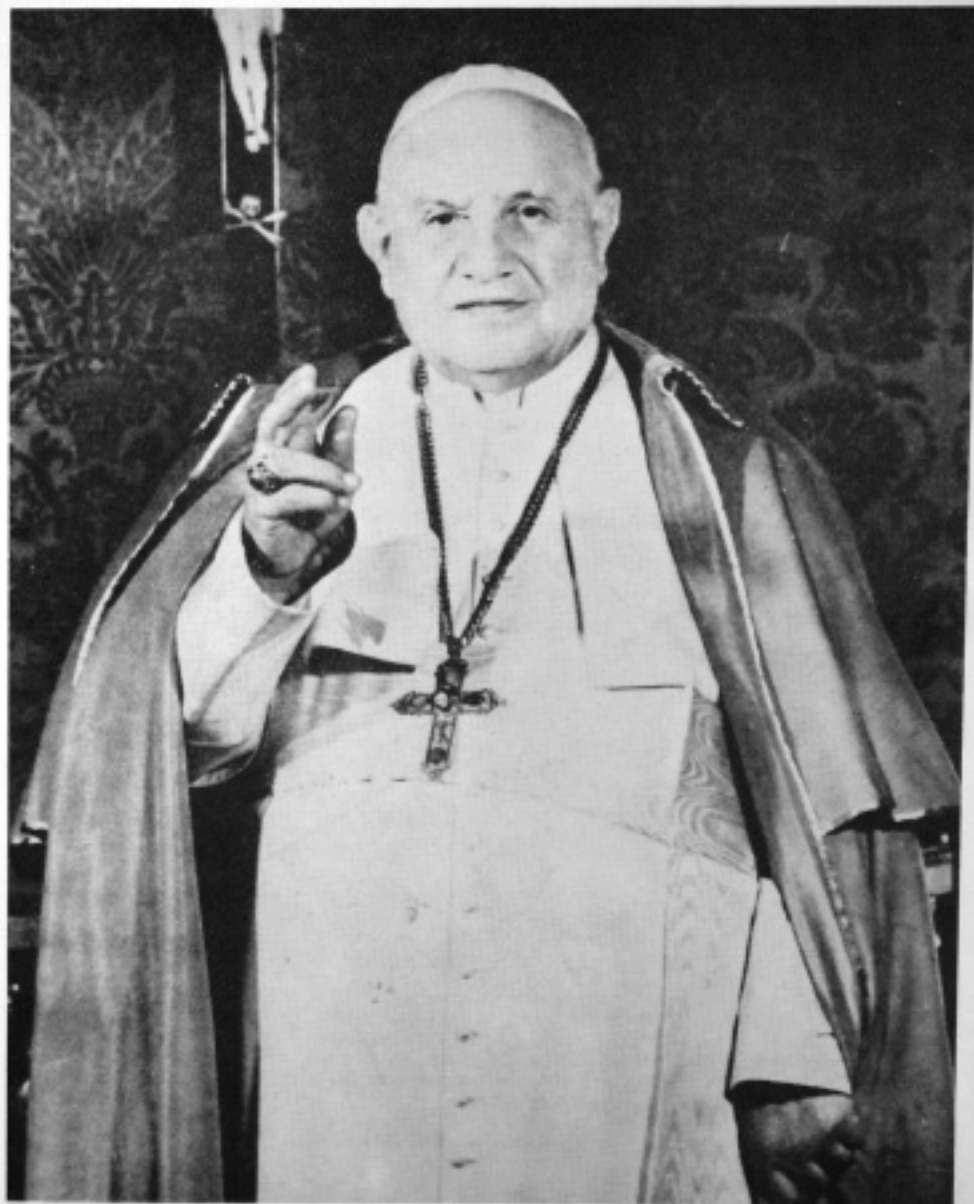
The history of man goes side by side with his efforts to preserve all the good and cherished moments of his being. In the pages of MARIS STELLA we wish to highlight some of these efforts put forth at our Alma Mater.

Alma Mater

Come students now, with voices clear
Come lend them in your sweetest lays
Unfold your white and blue so dear,
Come, sing your Alma Mater's praise.

Our Pilot and our Guiding Star,
St. Mary's this, of thee we tell;
Thy students whether far or near,
St. Mary's dear, we love thee well.

St. Mary's, truest friend and best,
Thy lessons all shall cherished be.
Lest to our tribute--Be thou blest--
St. Mary's--our Academy.



*His Holiness
Pope John XXIII*



REV. MOTHER MARIE ANSELM, S.S.F.
B. A., M. A., Xavier University; Superior General

Before her election in June, 1959, Reverend Mother Marie Anselm, Superior General of the Sisters of the Holy Family had been a teacher of English and the Moderator of the REGINA at St. Mary's her Alma Mater. This marked her second time teaching at the Academy. Under her able guidance the REGINA attained among the highest ratings for school journalism. Although Mother Marie Anselm is no longer present at the school, her influence and training still imprint on our minds a lasting impression. Our prayers will follow her each day. It is with deep affection that the Class of 1959 wishes to dedicate the MARES STELLA to Mother Marie Anselm, Sister Rosetta, our former principal, and Mother Mary Fortunata our former teacher.



MOTHER MARY FORTUNATA, S.S.F.
B. A., Seton Hill, Mathematics

Mother Mary Fortunata, our Mathematics teacher for a number of years, has been elected to the second highest office in the Congregation. As Vicar General she will assist Rev. Mother Marie Anselm. St. Mary's feels honored that its faculty members have received such votes of confidence of the other Sisters. We will miss them, but we give them up to greater things and in turn pay our tribute.

Sister Mary Rosetta, our former principal, has rendered invaluable service to the Academy and outside interests. We remember her because she forgot herself and thought of others. She has touched innumerable lives and has helped them all. The Class of 1959 pays tribute to all three of these, our former teachers.

SISTER MARY ROSETTA, S.S.F.
B. A., M. A., Xavier U.; Social Studies





SISTER MARY OF LOURDES, S. S. F.
B. S., Xavier U., B. S. in L. S., Rosary College

Another Alumna of St. Mary's Academy is Sister Mary of Lourdes. She was associated with the Academy for many years as Librarian. We always appreciated Sister's helpfulness and her efficient administration of the library. She, too, is now at the Community Motherhouse. Her office is that of Secretary General.

The students welcomed the news that Sister Reginald had been appointed the new Principal of St. Mary's. Every one of us is well known by Sister Reginald. As the Junior Moderator, she spear-headed all of the activities that finally led up to our most eventful occasion of the year--Junior-Senior Prom. We pledge Sister Reginald our full support.

SISTER MARY REGINALD, S. S. F.
B. A., Seton Hill; M. A., Xavier U., French



Faculty

We seldom see our teachers except in the classroom. Our photographer has caught them in many outside interests as you will note.

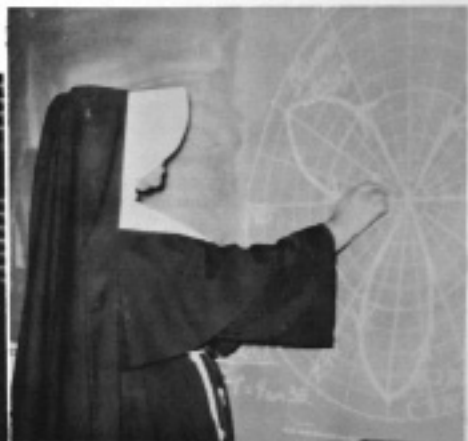


MOTHER MARY MATHILDA, S. S. F.
Jamaica, B. W. I., Superior Fourth and Fifth Grades.



SISTER MARY THERESA VINCENT, S. S. F.
B. S., Xavier U., M. A., Catholic U., History, English,
Soph. Moderator.

SISTER MARY HELENA, S. S. F.
B. A., M. A., Xavier U., English, Moderator-Freshmen,
Student Council.



SISTER MARY CLEMENTIA, S. S. F.
B. A., Xavier U., M. A., U. of Tulsa, Mathematics,
Mistress of Boards, Band Moderator.

Faculty



SISTER MARY ESPERANCE, S.S.F.
B. A., Seton Hill, M. S., Catholic U., Biology, General
Science, Senior, Yearbook, C. S. M. C. - Moderator.



SISTER MARY EUCHARIST, S.S.F.
B. S., Benedictine Heights, Home Economics, Librarian,
Freshmen Moderator.



SISTER MARIE JULIETTE, S.S.F.
B. A., Xavier U., M. A., Catholic U., Music, History,
Vocation Director.



SISTER MARY EVELYN, S.S.F.
B. A., Maryknoll, M. A., Catholic U., Biology, Mathe-
matics.



SISTER MARY LETITIA, S.S.F.
Loyola U., Elementary, Eighth Grade.



SISTER M. MAGDALINE DE PAZZI, S.S.F.
Ph. B., Cardinal Stutch, Art, Second Grade, Mistress
of Boarders.

SISTER JOSEPH ANGELA, S.S.F.
B. A., St. Theresa, English, Latin, Freshmen
Moderator.



SISTER MARIE BENEDICT, S.S.F.
B. A., Xavier U., M. A., U. of Detroit, English, History,
Regina Moderator.

Faculty



SISTER DOROTHY MARIE, S. S. F.
British Honduras, Assistant Librarian.



SISTER MARY ALOYSIUS, S. S. F.
Havana Cuba, Switchboard Operator.

MRS. MADONNE R. GABRIEL
Xavier U., Physical Education, Librarian, Records.



SISTER MARIA CONSILIA, S. S. F.
B. A., St. Theresa, Music Education, Eighth Grade.



Faculty



MRS. W. BLANKS
B. S., Xavier U., Home Economics.



MRS. VELMA COLBERT BENJAMIN
B. S., Alabama State, Physical Education.

MRS. ESTELLE BANKS BLANC
B. A., Xavier U., Education Sixth and
Seventh Grade.



MR. WARDELL J. QUEZERGUE, Band Director
Education Gateways, Leader, Royal Dukes of Rhythm

Office

Ida Jane Coco and Dolores Joseph operate the projector for our monthly movie. We have seen some of the finest classics and religious films on 16 mm.

Merle Ann Triche at the file.



Our Principal, Sr. Reginald, appreciates student help. She is quite too busy to work alone. The dependability of these girls enables her to keep rules, notices and regulations flowing from the office which adds up to a well balanced school.

Loardes Feigilliana at the typewriter.

Arlene Simms is our all around sales girl and business manager.



We Love Thee Well

Maris Stella Staff



The editor and assistant editor work side by side with the members of the staff, in order to put out an annual that has captured all of our most cherished moments at our Alma Mater. Our motto sums up all our efforts to make this yearbook an everlasting memento of our days at St. Mary's Academy. "Only the best, nevertheless."

Left to Right: Diane Jones, Carol Leal, Evelyn Weber, Joan Francis, Sandra Mercader, Gwendolyn Holmes, Jo Ann Celestine, Dolores Wells, Pamela Davillier, Assistant Ed; Cornelia Howard, Editor.

Editor & Associates



Cornelia Howard

P. Davillier, C. Leal, A. Hutchison, D. Jones, D. Wells.

The Maris Stella Editors appear calm, but they admitted that it was an exciting day when they were called in to sign the contract for our annual.

Something new, if you can find it. The MARIS STELLA staff takes a look at the newly acquired station wagon. After a strenuous school day it is nice to have something smooth, low, and lovely to rest your eyes upon. However, the staff agreed it is better to ride.



Regina Staff



With deadline almost due the staff is busy setting up the Regina. It is published six times yearly. Sandra Johnson, Merle Ann Triche, Cornelia Howard (hands on typewriter), Gayle Lange, Dorraine Fields, Carol Leal, Pamela Davillier, Lynette Simms, Carolyn Llado, Myrna Ruiz, Carol Francis.

Our junior journalists attend classes at Loyola U. in preparation for future duties on Regina Staff.



Staff

Caught in the act of mapping out the Regina are: Editor: Carol Francis, Asst Editor: Myrna Ruiz, Assoc. Editor: Lourdes Frigillana.

"Beauty in Paint" is displayed in the works of artist Adeline Hutchison who is responsible for the attractive drawings of the Regina.



Quill & Scroll

Preparing the body of the Regina are some of the Senior members of the National Quill and Scroll Honorary Journalism Society. Shown are: Carol Leal, Carolyn Llado, Cornelia Howard, Lynette Simms, Merle Triche, Adeline Hutchison, and Cornelia Richards.



Come Students, Now.



"School's in," From every direction they come, but through one portal they pass. These seniors enter only to leave for their future jobs.

Officers gather and discuss topics of deliberation for future meetings of the Junior-Senior classes.



Organizations



Before the new handbook went to press, some of the do's and don'ts were discussed with the Retreat Master and the Student Council Officers. They all seem pleased, and why shouldn't they? Whenever the Council meets, it is planning something towards the improvement of the Alma Mater.

Pres. Maxine
Richards
Fr.
Lourdes
Frigillana
Adelaide
Baham
Shirley
Thomas
Nedra
Dyer
Joan
Legeaux
Vice Pres.
Merle Triche
Evelyn
Gabriel

Student Council



Freshman, Sophomore and Junior representatives of the Student Council

Catholic Student



The Catholic Students Mission Crusade members are always planning for something of benefit to the missions. Our goal is \$2 per student plus an increase in the personal sacrifices each girl will make to help bring the World to the Sacred Heart.

C. S. M. C. representatives are chosen from each class to report details of meetings.





Come. Sing Your Alma Mater's Praise!

Home

coming



The Fourth Annual Homecoming Game was a Purple and Gold day for Maryites and Augustinians. Capitol High took a 12-6 victory over the Purple Knights, but that did not quite take the elation from our Homecoming Court. The Queen is a member of the Cheerleader squad of St. Augustine and was escorted by Student Council President, Alvin McKenna. Miss Carmen Stripling, Queen of 1968, presented the cup to Diane Jones '69.



Homecoming



1st Maid
Merle Triche--
Escort--
Tyrone Bordenave



2nd Maid
Cabrini Watts--
Escort--
Henry Sissac



3rd Maid
Gayle Lange--
Escort--
Jesse Arceneaux



4th Maid
Edita Herners--
Escort--
Walter Wilson



5th Maid
Adeline Hutchinson--
Escort--
David Desokey



6th Maid
Myrna Ruiz--
Escort--
Hunchel Barthe

Cheer

leaders



We are proud of our whirling, swirling fifteen cheerleaders who were chosen by St. Augustine to root the team on to victory. They were the first in the history of St. Aug. To them we salute, for adding to the mentiment of the games and for cheering the team on to the City Championship Award of '59. From bottom to top: Gabriai Watts, Barbara Bana, Pamela Davillier, Dorraine Fields, Adelaide Baham, Carolyn Klado, Little Sheila Cantrell, Hyacinthi Dube, Marie Triche, Ann Le Blanc, Carol Leal, Maxine Richards, Diane Jones. Across: Myrna Ruiz, Gayle Lange.



High stepping MAJORETTES and fast whirling CHEERLEADERS.

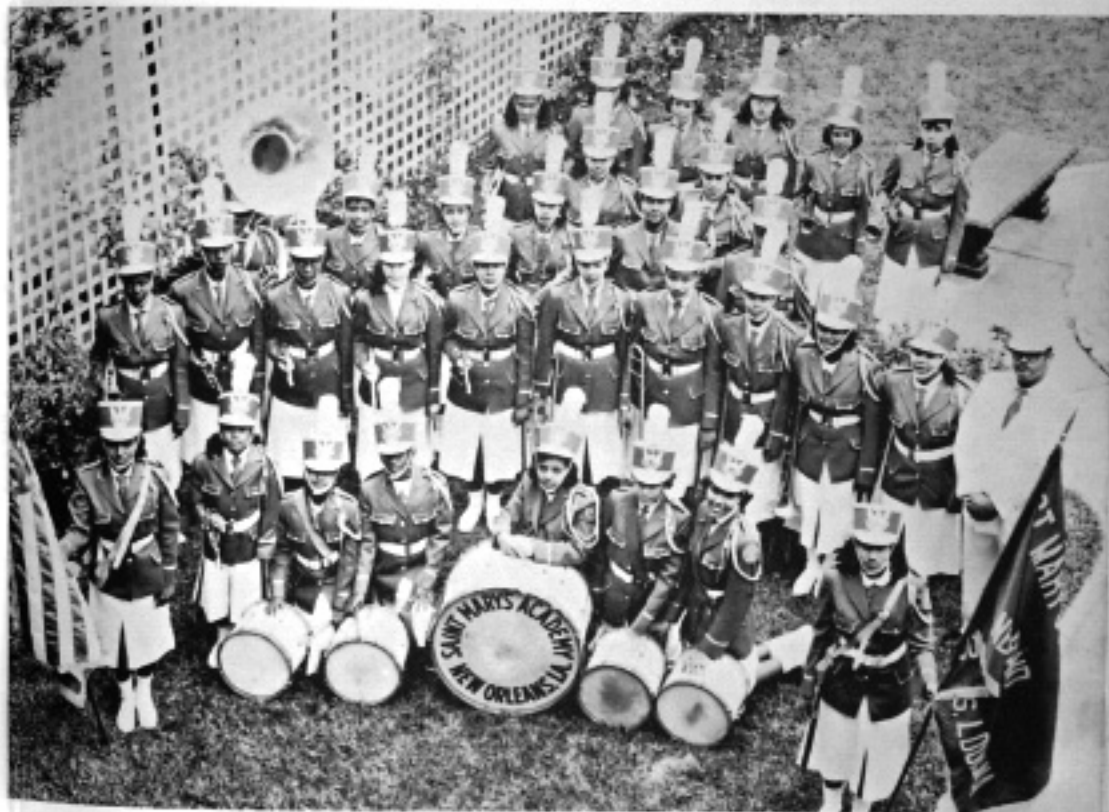


Music

Our chorus is kept busy this year participating in assemblies, concerts, and music festivals. The chorus is under the able direction of Sr. Marie Juliette and Mrs. Baham. The chorus has won several awards, one which is being presented to Sandra Anderson, soprano, by Sr. Mary Reginald. The student body has a deep appreciation of this cultural aspect of our training, and looks forward to the Christmas Recital, and the Spring Program.



Band



Under the supervision of Mr. Wendell Quezergue, S.M.A.'s marching thirty-three gained the attention of many this year while participating in city school parades. The annual concert is always a welcomed activity.

Looking over new uniforms are Marie Dukes and Margaret Russell.

Our P.T.A. supported the band 100% when it agreed to finance the purchasing of our new uniforms. The suits are beautiful. We think the P.T.A. is super. Thank you, Parents.



Debs Ball



First Senior of St. Mary's Academy to make a debut at the forthcoming debutante ball in May. It is the first ball of its kind to be given by the Academy. This new social function replaces the Carnival Ball of previous years. The Sophomore Parents are sponsoring the activity.

Senior Socials



The beauty of formal attire adds much to the pagentry of the Junior-Senior Prom which is one of the most anticipated events of the school. Seated: Pamela Davillier, Myrna Ruiz, Dolores Wells. Standing: Beryl Terralon, Gwendolyn Haines, Barbara Blanchard.

The Homecoming Court chosen from the Senior class poses shortly after being notified of the selection of the seven lucky lasses. This attractive group is now among the three former courts of the school.





To a passerby the Library may seem quiet and deserted, but someone is always there. It is one of the most important places in the school. It is a helping hand when an answer to a question is needed. Like our chapel, it is a silent retriever. With the gracious assistance of Sr. Dorothy Marie, Assistant Librarian, Lorena Price and Irme Lee Greenhouse select books which suit them.



The bulletin board in the Library is always up to date, presenting us with the current events, and enrolling us to considerations which are most timely.



Thy Lessons All Shall Cherished Be!

Science



Chemistry

*General
Science*



Chemistry and the other sciences have made many important contributions to modern life. New substances are being developed daily, new areas are being explored. The Senior Chemistry students and Freshmen Science are falling in line.

Biology



Every creeping and crawling thing is a bug or an insect until one studies Biology, then the fun begins. Who can unscramble this web?



No, we really did not go frog hunting except in the lab storage can, but we did some "fine" dissecting.



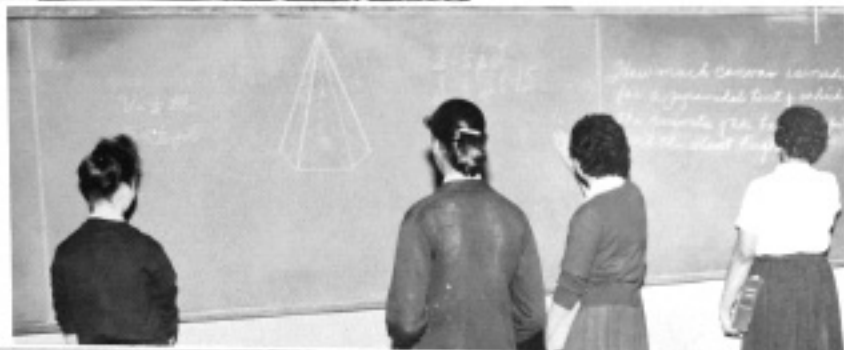
The Biology class found the lessons on plants very fascinating. One wouldn't believe there was so much to learn about a leaf.



A reorganization of our Math program was initiated this school term. There are three groups studying Plane Geometry, and three groups studying Algebra.

Sister Evelyn teaches a group of Juniors Plane Geometry.

Algebra I group is solving formulas. Sister Esperance is the teacher.



This Junior class in Geometry is taught by Mother Mary Fortunata.

Sister Evelyn and Algebra I.



Mathematics



Trig

Trigonometry is a branch of Mathematics that is of great importance in every science, as demonstrated by these sciences.

Senior Math

Mathematics is often referred to as the "Queen of the Sciences" this is because it plays an important part in the fields of future study.



Math Club

Curious members looking over new chart—just one of the tools used in their meetings.

Languages

French

French is the language to use when you want to learn of love, Italian, when you want to sing and English, when you want to transact business, and French is what they are studying.



English

French, English, or Latin: the languages keep us busy. Our English classes are avenues and highways to adventure, to lands of many places and many people.



Latin

This Latin class is learning the responses for Holy Mass in preparation for the Missa Recitata.



A group of Freshman II prepare for a demonstration in one of their English classes. The social and cultural aspect of literature is felt to be an important part of one's training for life.

Sister Mary Helena guides and directs Carol Glenn in her explanation.



World History is one of the most modern social studies, as these Juniors discover.

Home Ec.



Sewing

A delightful project in Sewing is the unit on children's garments. Adelaide Baham is very proud of the three piece suit she has finished and is modeling with niece, Reah, Little Reah, the daughters of Mrs. Baham our choral director, seems very pleased with herself.

Barbara Blanchard, Joan LeGaux, Gwendolyn Haines and Edita Herrera, seated, are Senior Homemakers.

(Opposite page)

All of the students like the sewing classes. They realize the value of these home arts. Juniors are modeling their garments for the photographer.



Barbara Blanchard Joan Francis



Gwendolyn Haines

Edita Herrera



A black and white photograph showing three students in a science laboratory. They are standing at a lab bench, looking down at something they are working on. The student on the left is a woman with glasses, the middle one is a man, and the one on the right is a woman. They are all wearing light-colored shirts. The lab bench has various equipment, including a large round object (possibly a flask or beaker) and some papers.



Since Mary Eucharis joined the faculty at St. Mary's in September, she brought with her many wonderful ideas which she has already begun to put into effect. The Freshmen enjoy preparing meals. They also enjoy earning what they have prepared. Home Economics sponsor sales to help finance their projects.



The Sophomores are working on a unit in Baby Sitting. One of the projects was directing children in play. Youngsters between the ages of three and five were invited to the class.



Children love games. The art of entertaining is being considered by a Freshman Class.

Another part of the unit was making handmade toys. A display of the toys made was placed in the cafeteria. Regina Perkins is standing behind the display.



Physical Ed



In our Physical Education classes we get the opportunity to play several sports. Volleyball, table tennis, basketball, shuffle board, and many others are listed.

St. Mary's was off to a good start this season in basketball. Our junior team had to replace the senior team during the retreat, but they put up a good game.



ROSTER

SMA 39-48
Bethune 27-39

SMA 41
Marryn 17

SMA 39
Lincoln 60

SMA 25

Edward Sacramento
CYO 23

Our first game was
lost to Bethune.

St. Mary's

Forwards: Ruth Lidore
Dolores Joseph
Joan Harris

Guards: Jo Ann Celestine
Joan Richard
Evelyn Gabriel



Several times during the season class teams from Dillard University invited us to the campus for practice games. This was one of the practice games at S. M. A.



Before parades Mr. Quenzgae puts us through several hours of marching practice. Having been the Assistant Director of two Army Bands, Mr. Quenzgae never stops short of perfection.



We don our new uniforms and give the PTA a half hour program which everyone seemed to enjoy.



Patricia Gonzalez
Evelyn Gabriel
Patrician Schmitt



*Unfold Your White
And Blue So Dear!*



The Fourth and Fifth Graders have presented some very fine projects this year. The housing unit was excellent. Valeria Fent and Sheryl Lange give last minute touches to their houses.



Where, oh, where are the hula hoops?

In September we were all in the hula hoop daze. Janet Oliver, Ana Marie Deneese, and Jean Benjamin had just been having fun.

Second and Third Graders enjoy the afternoon recess, and get a cool refreshing drink.



Jacqueline Ackerson, Karen Bernard, Ann Bertrand, Geraldine Blache, Cynthia Charbonnet, Marsha Dutton, Gwen-
dlyn Merrick, Vonda Rei Rieras, Melba Smith

Third Grade

First And Second Grades

Gayle Akins, Wilma Barras, Jean Benjamin, Linda Berlin, Jacqueline Cash, Janice Douglas, Jacqueline Eason,
Denise Harris, Myrdis Johnson, Janet Oliver, Alicia Pierce, Sandra Shelton, Leatrice Stevenson, Blanche Thomas



Second Grade





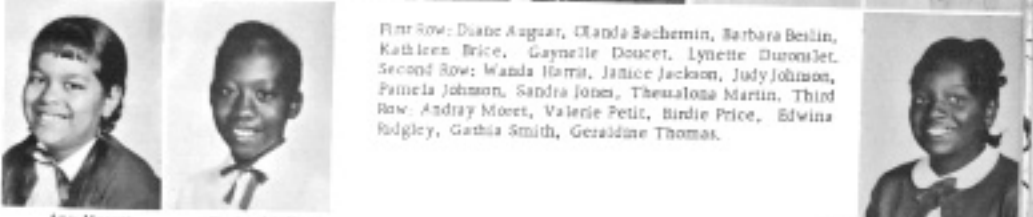
Cynthia Adams, Lydia Adams, Lyane Adams, Lydia Angrem, Cynthia Green, Diane Jackson, Sheryl Lange, Cynthia Rinsel, Margaret Saul, Darlene Shepard, Mildred Thomas.

Fourth Grade

From the very first grades little Maryites are trained in good habits of study and class co-operation. Sister DePazzi has only the highest praise for her lively group.



This group of 1st and 2nd graders does not appear to be camera conscious so intent are they on the subject at hand; but don't let them get away with it. They love to take pictures.



Ann Verett

Dedra Waller

Stonita Washington

First Row: Diane Augar, Glenda Bachemin, Barbara Beslin, Kathleen Brice, Gaynelle Doucet, Lynette Duronlet. Second Row: Wanda Harris, Janice Jackson, Judy Johnson, Pamela Johnson, Sandra Jones, Theaulona Martin. Third Row: Andray Moert, Valerie Pettit, Birdie Price, Edwina Rodgley, Gathia Smith, Geraldine Thomas.

Fifth Grade

The 4th and 5th grades have adopted a "Do it yourself," slogan. They are raising funds for new black boards. When the boards in the school were replaced or refinished last year, they were not so fortunate. Not being daunted, these busy youngsters started a Candy Hand sale. Their new boards will be a reality soon. Bravo!





Sherlynn Augsar, Barbara Bastian, Juanita Bradford, Meryl Britto, Jean Green, Lin Heno, Fayer Johnson, Sylvia Johnson, Gwendolyn Japitz

Sixth Grade

Regina Larry, Mignon Levine, Earline Matthews, Lorina Martin, Marva Prudeaux, Barbara Shanklin, Geraldine Taylor, Clarice Thomas, Venessa Washington



Melita Bari, Gail Brown, Marlene Carlson, Wilma Carriere, Ann Chevia, Joan Davis, Leslie Duralé, Charlotte Faciane, Consuelia Green, Elizabeth Greerhouse, Mary Hamilton, Rose Handy



Irene Herod
June Jefferson

Seventh Grade

Florina Jackson
Lynn Labazan Loretta Lee



Sonja Merrin, Paulette Mowet, Elizabeth Oliver, Madeline Palmer, Diane Porter, Lanny Jo Prevost, Sylvia Ray, Carolyn Robertson, Brenda Russell, Geoverline Simmons, Rose Weaver, Sandra Whitlow





Ursula Asceneaux
Rose Marie Broyard

Wanda Baham
Janice Carter

Phyllis Bazanac
Alfreda Chandler

Lorraine Boyd
Alvinette Chapin

Eighth Grade

Elsie Douglas
Joan Honore

Paulette Edgington
Gemmae Hood

Jean Espadron
Alice Jefferson

Sandra Faciane
Marlene Jupiter



Dale Nero

Prestine King
Diana Osborne

Thelma Lopez
Marva Paul

Sylvia Merrin
Marva Pierre

Eighth Grade

Cynthia Poland
Patricia Saul

Gwendolyn Robert
Sylvia Scott

Veronica Robertson
Janice Vagas

Jo Ann Russell
Lynn Winchester



Freshmen



Chaquitha Abraham
Leona Adams
Dolores Alexander
Antoinette Annole
Joy Arceneaux
Elaine Armour

Janice Armelia
Barbara Asmoot
Lydia Augusta
Sylvia Barbours
Cecile Bell
Leona Bemand

Pauline Boetic
Cheryl Boudreaux
Evelyn Brisco
Carol Broussard

Ann Broyard, Beverly Bujol, Earline Carpenter

Freshmen Linda Legeaux, Jerolyn Williams, Alice Daige, Carol St. Charles, and Dorothy Thompson gather on Tulane Avenue for a C. S. M. C. meeting.



Freshmen



Jacqueline Carriere, Cecile Coston, Bernadette Chachere, Marcella Chachere, Berlyn Chatard, Linda Clayton, Alice Daige, Lynne Dave, Dolores Domingue, Elaine Douglas, Cheryl Dugue, Jean Dunbar, Earline Duplessis, Marvel Duplessis, Gail Durald, Joanne Ferrand, Andree Fleury, Olivia Galathe, Carolyn Gardner, Carol Glenn, Elois Green, Jacqueline Green, Carolyn Gueringer, Gail Guillaume, Alicia Harris, Gayle Harrison, Mason Harrison, Blanche Hayes, Glendora Hayes, Joanne Hayes.

Freshmen



Gwendolyn Jacque, Janet James, Melba Johnson, Cynthia Jones, Annie Louise Jones, Patricia Jones, Rose Mary Jones, Virgie Lee Joseph, Wylene Joseph, Mayrene Kennedy, Linda LaCaze, Tamara LaMoche, Arlinder Lang, Erud Leal, Wilma LeBlanc, Linda Legeaux, Karen Lewis, Jane Lopez, Elaine Lugo, Rose Marie Mack, Betty Malbourne, Athanasia Malone, Linda Marquez, Lynn Mays, Carrie McCann, Brenda Milion, Beverly Mitchell, Celine Mitchell, Vernell Moore, Louella Oguian.

Freshmen



Mercedite Patti, Jeanette Pfister, Agnes Pichon, Barbara Pierre, Ethel Prosper, Jane Russell, Marcia Russell, Andrea Rowan, Margaret Russel, Carol St. Charles, Charlotte Smith, Rose Mary Smith, Emma Louise Stewart, Ruby Sutton, Dorothy Thompson, Ernestine Thompson, Janet Torval, Clarie Tureaud, Brenda Vappie, Theresa Vappie, Francine Verrent, Philomina Wason, Haroleen White, Irene Williams, Jerolyn Williams, Judith Williams, Patricia Williams, Belcina Winchester, Connie Wise, Gail Young.



Geraldine Carter

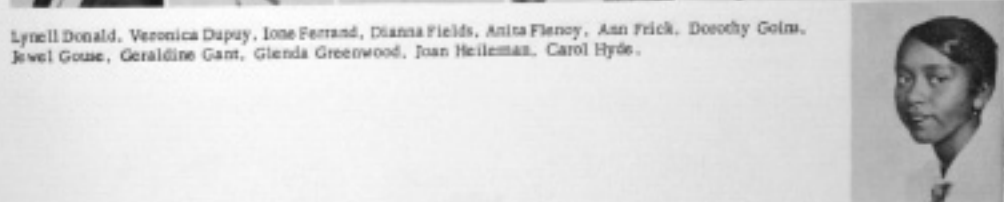
Helen Alfred, Evangeline Armour, Barbara Ausout, Madeline Ausout, Muriel Bagnerise, Brenda Bart, Sandra Bertrand, Coonie Bonds, Brenda Boutte, Alethea Bradley, Uredell Carlin, Bobby Jean Carter.

Sophomores

Brenda Claverie



Elizabeth Cobb, Edith Comeaux, Betty Clay, Janice Clay, Carmel Dannel, Frankie Davis, Joan Davis, Julie De Jean, Joan DeHammie, Marie Duke, Norma Duplessie, Cynthia Duplessis.



Florama Johnson

Lynell Donald, Veronica Dupuy, Ione Ferrand, Dianna Fields, Anita Flaney, Ann Frick, Dorothy Goin, Jewel Gouze, Geraldine Gant, Glenda Greenwood, Joan Heileman, Carol Hyde.

Sophomores

Irma Joseph



Barbara Legarde, Janice Leal, Jean LeBlanc, Cynthia Lee, Sandra Leon, Laura Ann LePage, Meriam Lewis, Antoinette Lindsey, Velma Lloptis, Phyllis Louquet, Jacqueline Marois, Madeline Masters.





Joan Rice

Gwendolyn Miles, Brenda Mitchell, Claudette Mouton, Ann Louise McFarland, Jean Parker, Leona Payson, Cynthia Perkins, Regina Perkins, Irene Peten, Barbara Phillips, Gloria Pierre, Altouette Ricard.



Joan Richard

Barbara Richardson, Florence Roberts, Marilyn Rousseau, Mary Ann Senegal, Arlene Simms, Judith Thomas, Lois Thomas, Shirley Vaughn, Rita Wilkins, Geraldine Williams, La June Wilson, Verna Lee Zachery.



Carolyn Richard



Sophomores

The wise old Sophomores are busily learning for their careers as future journalists, missionaries, teachers and mothers, with their Moderator, Sr. Theresa Vincent.



Juniors



Jeanette Adams, Sandra Antenor,
Carol Augustin, Barbara Lema, Jo
Ann Bocage.

Carol Bowie
Diane Broussard
Joyce Bund



Mamie
Claverie
Emma
Day
Ira
Dessinger
Viola
Dees



Joanne Dillon
Marilyn Dugre
Hyacinth Duhe

Gail Duplessis, Thelma Duplessis,
Nedra Dyer, Mercedes Franklin,
Lourdes Fugillana.



Juniors



Evelyn Gabriel, Gloria Gabriel, Patricia
Gonzalez, Jean Gordon, Elva
Green.

Carolyn Handy
Juanita Harbin
Vera Harrison



Rita
Honore
Carolyn
Hughes
Mary
Johnson
Ruby
Jones



Joyce LaFarge
Merline Landry
Elaine Lebeaud



Ann LeBlanc, Judith Levesne, Barbara
Lewis, Carolyn Lopez, Gifford Medley



Juniors



Carol Miller
Judy Minor
Beverly Mitchell
Carol Patin
Priscilla Patin



Aline Pichon
Maxine Richards
Mary Louise Roberts



Freida Robinson
Patty Russell
Janet Sardin



Patricia Schultz
Brenda Tervalon
Catherine Thomas



Shirley Thomas
Erna Turk
Lenora Walter
Patricia Weaver
Veronica Weber





PATRICIA ANN ADAMS



ADELAIDE MARGRET BAHAM



JO-ANN MARIE CELESTINE



SUZETTE CHACHERE

MARILYN BAZANAC



BARBARA BLANCHARD

CATHERINE BLAZIO



JUNE MARIE COLLINS

IDA JANE COCO

PAMELA DAVILLIER





SYLVIA FERRAND



DORRAINE FIELDS



GWENDOLYN HAINES



ROSOLA EDITA HERRERA



CAROL FRANCIS



FELICIE MARIE HONORE



JOAN FRANCIS



IRMA GREENHOUSE



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Graduates - 1959



Our Pilot and Our Guiding Star!

Graduates 1959



Class Night Exercises bring moments of gaiety, reminiscence, and yes, a tinge of nostalgia. Never again do we assemble as a class to pass away a serious or a playful moment; no more will the campaigning with our laughter.

Each May brings the crowning of the Blessed Mother and the paying of a special tribute to Our Lady.



Graduates 1959

The Senior Class of 1959, like all other graduating classes, will leave from these hallowed walls with the blessings of Holy Mother Church. From here we will go into the fields of interest where we will best develop into the Christian womanhood so well prepared for at St. Mary's.



Thy Children Whether Near or Far



We

Pray



The

Rosary



Resident Students



The source of all the good things we enjoy at meals comes from the Big Kitchen as we girls call it. Sister Pascal, Sister Anacleto, and Sister Martin de Porres are responsible for our being so contented. God bless you, Sisters, for the good care you take of us.

Our meals are served in the Students Dining Room. Juniors and Seniors are honored at the first table. Sophs look forward to the day when they will move up.



Resident Students Favorites



PATRICIA GONZALEZ

This is Patricia's first year at the Academy, but her sunny smile and friendly personality has made us all decide that she is the most attractive young lady among the Resident Students. Pat is outstanding in school activities. She is a member of the choral group, first flutist in the Band, and has been very co-operative in coaching the Majorette at S.M.A. Pat had been a prize winning Majorette in her school in Florida.



IDA JANE COCO

Ida Jane has the most coveted title, "Most Co-operative." Ida Jane is a Senior and came to St. Mary's from St. Peter Claver in Grand Coteau. She is a high ranking student, representing SMA and taking second place in District in Trig. Much success. Ida is your future career.

Patricia Gonzalez, Joan Richard, and Connie Bonds were named the three best groomed among the Resident Students.



Our Resident Students make up a very interesting group. They come from many states and can exchange many new ideas from which each can learn something.

Seated: Mignon Levine, Chicago; Mayrene Kennedy, Alabama; Patricia Williams, New Orleans; Frankie Davis, Texas; Dolores Alexander, New Orleans; Patricia Schultz, Alabama. Standing: Vernell Moore, Alabama; Merceline Pattani, Penn.; Pauline Bostic, Alabama; Bobby Carter, Alabama; Joan Richard, Louisiana; Veta Lee Zachery, New Orleans; Evelyn Gabriel, New Orleans; Connie Bonds, Mississippi; Carrie McCants, Alabama; Connie Wise, California; Ida J. Coco, Louisiana; Dolores Joseph, New York; Patricia Gonzalez, Florida; Mary Ann Senegal, Louisiana; Edith Comeaux, Louisiana.



September - They come; June - They go.

Right to left: Ida J. Coco, La.; Patricia Schultz, Ala.; Dolores Joseph, New York; Patricia Gonzalez, Florida; Connie Bonds, Miss.; Joan Richard, La.; Edith Comeaux, La.; Bobby Jean Carter, Ala.



Patricia Gonzalez from sunny Florida poses on the veranda with Dolores Joseph from the northern state of New York. Both are happy here at St. Mary's in the Crescent City.



Resident Students

Oh, what a relief! Friday evening: no study, late television, our favorite pastime. Although our time for looking at TV is regulated, Sister Clementia sees to it that we never miss any of the telecast of real cultural, educational, and social values. She hopes through this training we will learn to appreciate the best in this wonderful communication.



The girls may spend the week-end of the first Sunday of the month with friends or relatives. The other Sundays are spent either at the movies or park, or leisurely at the academy.

Verna Lee Zachery, Pauline Bostic, Mary Ann Senegal, Mignon Levine, Eveline Gabriel, Camille McCann, Vernell Moore, Connie Wise. Front row: Mayrene Kennedy, Dolores Alexander.



Our two Senior boarders, Ida Jane Coco, and Dolores Joseph lead us in night prayers each evening in the chapel.



Activities



The Choral Club here commands the marked attention of the student body, as it renders several of the selections used this year in the District Rally.



Sister Letitia and her top Sodality Sales Girls.



We were well represented at the Mission Sunday Mass at St. Joseph's.



Little Debra Bazanac joins the Girl Scouts in the salute to the flag.



First and Second Graders join the Living Rosary from the stairs.



Senior Groups

When Senior group together, . what have you . . .
a happy, happy set of SENIORS.

Barbara Blanchard
Patricia Adams
Catherine Blazio
Marilyn Bazanac
Jo Ann Celestine
Adelaide Baham

We'll never forget the happy days we've
spent together.

Gayle Lange
Dolores Joseph
Carol Leal
Joan LeGaux
Beryl Tervalon
Bernadette Legeaux
Carolyn Llado



Pamela
Daviillier
Ida J.
Coco
June
Collins
Carol
Francis
Sylvia
Ferrand
Doraine
Felida



Barbara Jean
Petem
Joy Miller
Harriet Picot
Sondra Mercadel
Lorena Price
Myma Ruiz
Lynette Simms



Gwendolyn Haines
Adeline Hutchison
Irma Lee Greenhouse
Edna Herrera
Cornelia Howard
Sandia Johnson



Dolores Wells
Melba Jean Smith
Evelyn Weber
Gabrieli Watts
Merle Ann Triche





Dramatics

Father J. C. Verrett, S.S.F. merged the dramatic talent of St. Aug. and St. Mary's to produce the GREEN MAN. The play was received with much praise.



GREEN MAN

E. Epps, E. Wong, C. Francis, D. Fields, G. Dyson, A. McKenna

DRAMATIC CLUB

C. Llado
N. Dyer
D. Fields



G. Lange
C. Francis

Shubert
Alley



C. Llado, H. Debe, M. Ruiz, C. Spooner. GREEN MAN

C. Wain, G. Lange



MATH CLUB



Merle Triche, Class Pres. presents Ida Coco, Math Club Pres. with chart.



Merle Triche First Place State in Trig.



E. Armour, Second Place State Biology. A. Fleisoy, First Place State, Biology.

Honors-

SODALITY



June Collins, J. Richard, D. Joseph, Sister Lilitia, I. Coco, E. Gabriel, plan for the Sodality.



Father Pavlak blesses the rings of the Seniors at a special ceremony.



Two of our most active missionaries, R. Sutton, C. Boudreaux.

When School



We do not have many such leisure hours at school. Naturally, we take advantage of a break.

How do we like to go up on the roof? "Its fine, come on up, "say these Seniors."



Bernadette caps Joan, while Irma Lee waits for Cap & Gown fittings.



Diane
Joan L.
Edita
Cornelia
Joan F.
Doraine
Barbara Jean
Catherine
Sandra
Pamela

"Just turn your umbrellas upside down."

Ruiz from "Green Man"

Isn't School



Home Nursing is one of our most interesting and useful studies. Mrs. Ryan is a wonderful instructor.



We pause between acts of the "Green Man" for a snack. We had fun and the play was a big success.

The Seniors are always game. When the photographer said a picture in the rain, no one was daunted.



Freshman - Sophomore Class Officers



*Freshman
Officers*

Margaret Riesel, Judith Williams, Elaine Douglas, Ann Broyard, Linda Calyton, Jacqueline Carriere, Jean Dunbar, Marvel Ogilim.

First Row: Mary Ann Senegal, Cynthia Duplessis, Judith Thomas, Regina Perkins, Barbara Richardson, Janice Leal, Madeline Auzot, Leona Parsons, Glenda Greenwood, Bobby Jean Carter.

Sophomore Officers



Eighth Grade



Patricia Saul, Lynne Winchester, and Sandra Fadlane show the class an American Flag with the possible 49th star to be placed in the new flag with Alaska receiving statehood.

The elementary students find much pleasure in their singing classes. Sister Maria Consilia is very proud of the progress the girls have made in the last three years.



Elementary Activities



Denise Harris and Linda Beslin represent Sisters of the Holy Family on Mission Sunday.



Sixth Graders study British Isles.



Seventh Graders with their project on "Transportation."



Fifth Grade Housing Project.

The Fourth Grade students did a very fine project in "Housing."



Father Ward from St. Louis Cathedral visits us regularly and gives instructions in Religion. Here he is with our Little Nuns.

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