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## Our Mission in Action!

"A Christ-centered environment that inspires each of us to pray."



Students in pre-K through first grade gather to pray at May Crowning. This special tradition honors Mary, the Mother of Jesus, during the month of May.

## Our Mission in Action!



#### **Serving Our Community**

GCS Choir and Servers minister at Mass of blessing for Catholic Charities Food Pantry now open at St. Pius V Church campus. The pantry is located behind the school next to St. Vincent's Primary Care office at 1470 W. 13<sup>TH</sup> Street.



#### **UNF/Cummer Partnership**

The Digi-Stars program offered to GCS fourth graders culminated in a field trip to the Museum of Science & History. Students enjoyed interactive science exhibits, explorations, the planetarium and more! The program is made possible by a grant from UNF, the Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens and Dr. Stanley's leadership.



#### The Bunny Hop!

The Easter Bunny made an appearance at this year's Bunny Hop! Our youngest students loved the fun activities. Thank you to the Parent Leadership Team, Ms. Jackson and Student Volunteers!



#### Career Fair

Third and fourth graders were engaged in learning about community services, engineering, law practice and more at this year's Career Fair!



#### Congratulations!

Jamaria Alexander won first place and Kierston Simmons second place in the Speech Contest for the Jacksonville area of the Diocese of St. Augustine.



#### Annie Jr. March 23 at UNF

Congratulations to GCS students lyanna Edwards, Pilar Ivory and Mardy Williams for their amazing performances in the musical, *Annie Jr.* at UNF. Some proceeds will benefit Guardian Catholic School. We are grateful for this 21-year partnership with San Jose Catholic School!



#### **National Junior Honor Society Inductees**

Congratulations to the inaugural inductees of Guardian Catholic School's Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society: (top row left to right) Dieggo Suarez, Zianna Curtis, LaKiya Crews, Katlyn Reilly, Jamaria Alexander, Raelyn Hardwick, (bottom row left to right) Kyrah Simmons, Jesaily Rodriguez, Aniya Bowden, Bre'ah Pitney and (not pictured) India Major. They were inducted in an evening ceremony on March 21. We are proud of them and look forward to their continued leadership, academic excellence and service. This opportunity is open to students in grades six through eight.

### Protecting Potential: Future Alumni

On May 30 we gathered to celebrate the Moving Up Ceremony for our students in PK3, PK4 and kindergarten. Many of these 117 students are from second— and third— generation families that have attended our Legacy Schools, St. Pius V and Holy Rosary. We are blessed with the opportunity to protect the potential of these future alums!







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Perhaps most importantly, we thank you for joining us in making dreams come true and accomplishments possible for our students at Guardian Catholic School!

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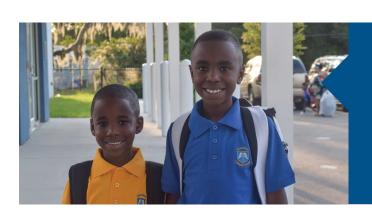








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