

ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE SCHOOL



*Be Belong Become*

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COLLEGE SCHOOL**

Under the direction of the Basilian Fathers



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### St. Michael's College School

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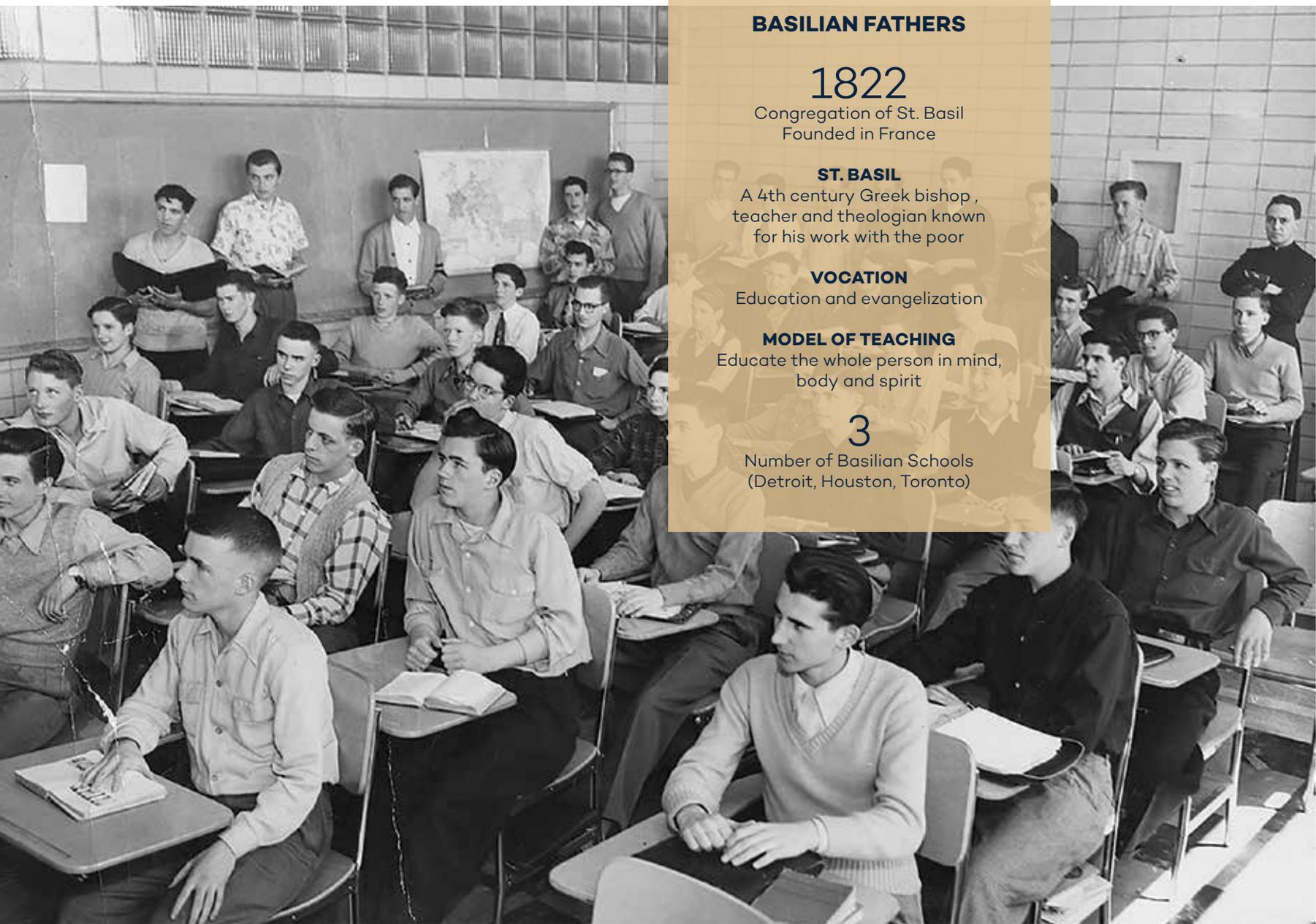
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@SMCS1852

# HISTORY SINCE 1852

We are Canada's only independent Catholic school for boys in Grades 7 to 12 taught in the Basilian tradition of educating the mind, body and spirit.



**BASILIAN FATHERS**

**1822**  
Congregation of St. Basil  
Founded in France

**ST. BASIL**  
A 4th century Greek bishop, teacher and theologian known for his work with the poor

**VOCATION**  
Education and evangelization

**MODEL OF TEACHING**  
Educate the whole person in mind, body and spirit

**3**  
Number of Basilian Schools  
(Detroit, Houston, Toronto)

# Character

## MISSION

In the tradition of the Basilian Fathers, we educate young men in Goodness, Discipline, and Knowledge for a life of leadership and service in faithfulness to Jesus Christ.

## VISION

We graduate young men who will change the world through lives of faith, character, and service.

## MOTTO

Psalm 118: "Teach me Goodness, Discipline and Knowledge"

# Faith



## 1852

St. Michael's College School founded Toronto, ON,

## 1881

Formal affiliation with University of Toronto

## 1950

Move to Bathurst St. and St. Clair W.

## 1967

Partners with Metropolitan Separate School Board

## 1985

Status change (independent Catholic high school)

## 1990s

Facility expansion

## 1998

Grades 7 and 8 added

## 2010

Centre for the Arts opens



# Service

# STUDENT PROFILE



**998**  
Number of students

**80%**  
Toronto

**20%**  
Greater Toronto Area

**64%**  
Participate in clubs and activities

**56%**  
On athletic teams

**18%**  
Receive bursary assistance

**176**  
Number of graduates

**\$216,550**  
Value of university scholarships earned

**\$36,500**  
Value of awards earned by graduates granted by SMCS and via named awards



*Goodness*

**100%**  
University acceptance

**89%**  
HONOUR ROLL  
Overall average of 80% or more on the June report card

**89%**  
ONTARIO SCHOLARS  
Overall average of 80+% in Grade 12 disciplines

**59%**  
ST. THOMAS MORE SOCIETY  
Overall average of 80+% from Grades 9-12

**51%**  
BASILIAN BOOK AWARD  
90+% average in Grades 7-12

*Discipline*

# FACULTY AND STAFF

## Educators



**128**  
Total staff  
(faculty and non-teaching)

**79**  
Total faculty

**86**  
Male staff

**42**  
Female staff

**49**  
Non-teaching staff



## Mentors

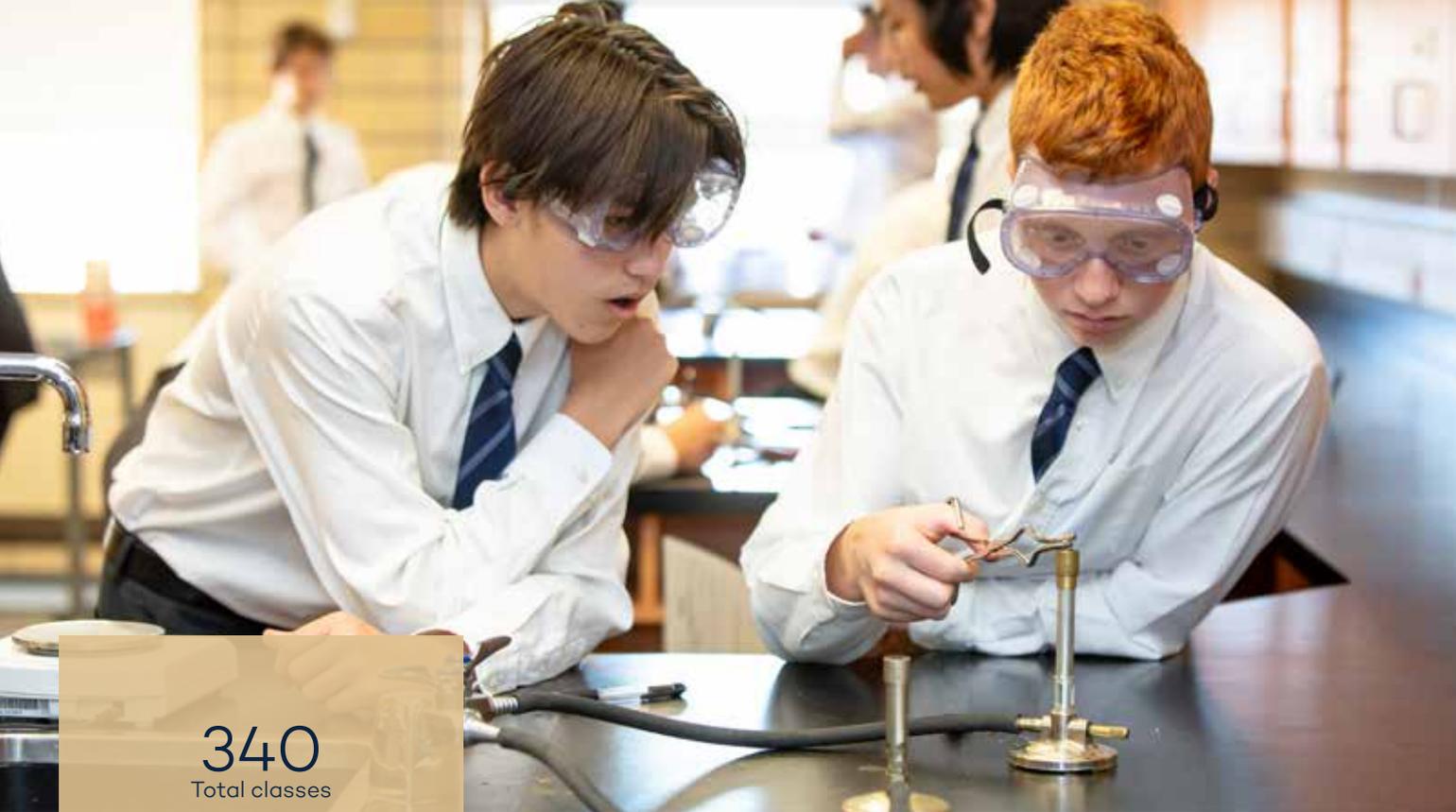
**25**  
Staff with advanced degrees

**15.5**  
Average years of teaching

**38**  
Years - longest-serving  
staff member

**31**  
Years - longest-serving  
faculty member

# Collaboration



**ARTS**  
 Music  
 Visual Arts  
 Media Arts  
 Musical Theatre

**BUSINESS STUDIES**  
 Accounting  
 Economics

**COMPUTER STUDIES**  
 Computer Science

**CONTEMPORARY STUDIES**  
 Religious Studies  
 Philosophy  
 Studies in Catholic Literature

**ENGLISH**  
 Advanced Placement  
 Writer's Craft

**FRENCH**

**GUIDANCE AND CAREER EDUCATION**

**CANADIAN AND WORLD STUDIES**  
 Geography  
 History  
 Advanced Placement  
 Economics  
 Civics  
 Law

**INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES & CLASSICAL STUDIES**  
 Italian  
 Spanish  
 Latin  
 Classical Civilization

**INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES**

**MATHEMATICS**  
 Advanced Placement

**HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

**SCIENCE**  
 Biology  
 Chemistry  
 Physics

**DESIGN TECHNOLOGY**  
 Design Technology  
 Computer Engineering  
 Technology

340  
 Total classes

14  
 Disciplines

## ACADEMICS

Liberal Arts, Catholic, university-preparatory for young men in Grades 7-12.

**OUTDOOR EDUCATION**  
 Grade 7 Camp Timberlane  
 Grade 9 Camp YMCA Wanakita  
 Grade 10 Camp Northland - Art, Music, Design & Technology  
 Grade 10 Camp Arowhon - Physical Education Canoe Trip  
 Grade 8 YMCA Wanakita - Winter Camp  
 Leader in Training Certification (L.I.T.) - via conference and seminars

**INTERNATIONAL SUMMER ACADEMY**  
 Annual opportunity to study abroad and earn a course credit.

**SUMMER CAMP**  
 On-site and online instruction by certified teachers and coaches in academics, arts, athletics, activities.



# Critical thinking



*Creativity*



# ARTS

Fosters creative expression, independent inquiry and ideation in developing the whole person.

## PERFORMING GROUPS

### Grade 8

Grade 8 Band  
Honour Band

### Grade 9

Concert Band  
Symphonic Band  
Trip Band

### Grade 10

Symphonic Band  
Trip Band

### Grades 9 & 10

Festival Winds

### Grades 11 & 12

Senior Concert Band  
Senior Wind Ensemble  
Choir

### Jazz

Junior Jazz Ensemble  
Senior Jazz Ensemble

### Drumline

Junior Drumline  
Senior Drumline

## DRAMATIC ARTS

Fall drama and spring Broadway-style musicals are produced annually

1433

2019 Fall drama attendance

1012

2019 Holiday concerts attendance

873

2019 Spring concert attendance

58

Years of musical theatre SMCS



*Exploration*

## VISUAL ARTS

Media and digital art, painting, sculpture, and drawing, plus the historical context in works of art.

## MEDIA ARTS

Explores photography, film-making, advertising, mass media, communication techniques and social media in a MAC lab setting.



*Reflection*

# Commitment



800  
Student-athletes

95  
Teacher-coaches

56  
Athletic teams

20  
Sports offered



# Excellence

- Archery - Varsity
- Badminton - Junior, Senior
- Baseball - Varsity
- Basketball - U13, U14, Junior, Senior
- Cross Country - U13, U14
- Cross Country - Novice, Junior, Senior
- Curling - Varsity Div. I & Div. II
- Football - U14 Flag, Junior, Senior
- Golf - U14, Junior, Senior
- Hockey - U14 Blue, U14 White
- Hockey - Junior Blue, Junior White
- Hockey - Senior
- Lacrosse - U14, Junior, Senior
- Rugby - U14, Junior, Senior
- Skiing - U14, Varsity
- Soccer - U14, Junior Div. I
- Soccer - Junior Div. II, Senior
- Softball - U14
- Snowboarding - U14, Junior, Senior
- Swimming - U14, Junior, Senior
- Tennis - Varsity
- Track & Field - U13, U14, Novice
- Track & Field - Junior, Varsity
- Ultimate - Varsity
- Volleyball - U14 Div. I, U14 Div. II
- Volleyball - Junior, Senior

## ATHLETICS

Rooted in four pillars: Respect, Commitment, Integrity, and Excellence. Life lessons experienced through participation develop Christian, Catholic values.

# Integrity

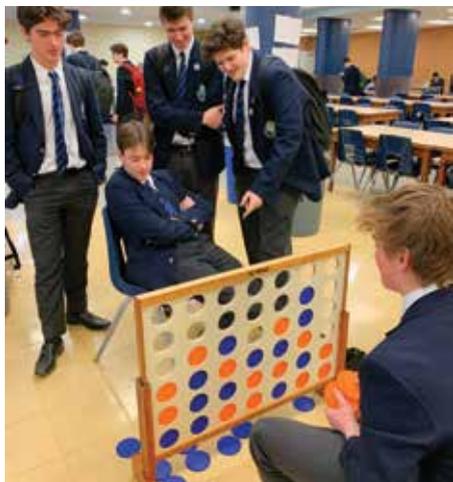


# CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Participation in a wide, eclectic array of co-curricular activities and clubs opens minds, nurtures curiosity and fuels creative thinking.

60  
Clubs and Activities

53  
Staff Moderators



- African Canadian Youth Group
- Anime
- Art Club
- Asian Association
- Aviation
- Big Blue - Senior Jazz Band
- Blue Angels (Altar Serving)
- Blue Anglers (Fishing)
- Blue Beetles (Hallway Walkers)
- Blue Knights (Chess)
- Blue Pixels (Video Gaming)
- Board Games
- Choir
- Debate
- D.E.C.A.
- Double Blue Book Club
- Drumline
- Duke of Edinburgh Award
- Fall Drama
- Festival Winds
- Financial Literacy
- French Aide
- French Club
- Global Ideas Institute
- Good Shepherd Refuge
- Grade 7 & 8 Challenge Award
- Grade 9 & Grade 10 Trip Band
- Green Initiative
- Guitar Club
- Honour Band
- Irish Club
- Italian Club
- Learn Today Lead Tomorrow
- M Squad
- Media Arts/Photography
- Milk Bag Mat Club
- Model United Nations
- Modern Man Movement
- Peer Tutoring
- Politics Club
- Prefects
- Reach for the Top
- Reading Olympics
- Rumba Squad
- Science Club
- Senior Math Club
- Service Trip
- SMCS Cuisine
- SMCS Hockey Development
- Spring Musical
- Stock Market Club
- Student Ambassador Programme
- Student Government
- Table Tennis
- Theatre Stage Crew
- Tower Media
- VEX IQ
- VEX Robotics
- Wellness Team
- Yearbook Club

*Interactive*



*Tactile*

# Helping others



40  
Required hours  
of Community Service

28  
Charities supported  
annually via service  
initiatives

20  
Required hours  
of Christian Service  
plus one Grade 11  
Service Day



## SERVICE

A cornerstone of the Basilian model of teaching. Christian and Community service is required by every student.

# Selflessness

# MENTORSHIP

Begins before a student enters SMCS, is reinforced in the classroom and continues well beyond graduation.



## OPPORTUNITIES

- Ambassador
- Student to Student
- Alumnus to Student
- Alumnus-Athlete to Student-Athlete
- Alumnus to Alumnus
- Student Government
- Prefects
- House Leadership

## EVENTS

- Advancement Events
- Athletics Games
- Arts Events
- Community and Learning Partnerships Events
- Curriculum Night
- Mass and Religious Celebrations
- Music Concerts
- Open Houses
- School Promotional Events
- Shadow Days
- Theatrical Productions



Brothers



**12,000+**

Current parent volunteer hours

**10+**

Current parent volunteer years

**33**

Friend of SMCS volunteer years

**25**

Alumnus volunteer consecutive years

**12**

Past-parent volunteer years

# COMMUNITY

#SMCSfamily contribute their talents and time to the life of the school.



**11,000**

Active alumni network

**34**

Countries where alumni reside

**22**

Alumni-focused school events

**MySMCS.com**

## SCHOOL-ORGANIZED ANNUAL EVENTS

- Academic Awards Night
- Alumni Bi-Monthly meetings
- Alumni Networking
- Alumni Spring Reunion & BBQ
- Alumni Turkey Roll & Reunion
- Archangel's Den Alumni Entrepreneur Contest
- Athletic Awards Banquet
- Big Blue Benefit & Lottery
- Breakfast with the President and Principal
- Career Day (Grade 11)
- Christmas Concerts
- Christmas in the Courtyard
- Club Blue Note
- Evans Tannis Alumni Soccer Showdown
- Fall Drama
- Father & Son BBQ
- Grad Formal
- Grade 12 Graduation Exercises
- Grade 12 Retreat
- Grade 7 & 8 Dance
- Grade 8 Graduation Exercises
- Homecoming
- Mother & Son Mass and Brunch (Grade 12)
- Mother & Son Mass and Brunch (Grade 7-11)
- Open House 1
- Open House 2
- Order of St. Michael
- Parents' Association Fundraiser
- Parents' Association Monthly meetings
- Prospective Family Breakfasts
- Service Day (Grade 11)
- Shadow Days
- SMCS Annual Golf Tournament
- Spring Concerts
- Spring Musical
- University Information Fair
- Used Book Sale
- Welcome Day (Grade 7 & 8)
- Welcome Day (Grade 9-12)

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*Family*

# SPIRITUAL LIFE

Embedded every day in the presence of the Basilian Fathers.

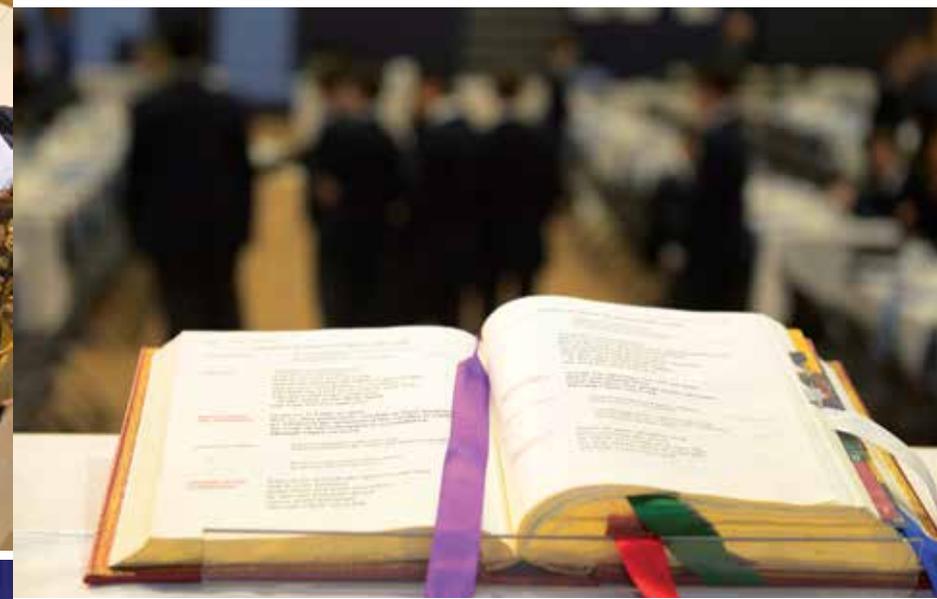
# Observances



Morning Prayer  
Daily Mass  
Weekly Mass  
Weekly Prayer  
Virtues of the Month

## FAITH CELEBRATIONS

Advent Reconciliation  
Advent Mass  
Ash Wednesday Mass  
Christmas in the Courtyard  
Easter Triduum  
Feast of St. Michael  
Gr. 12 Retreat Mass  
Graduation Mass  
Holy Thursday  
Leaders Camp Mass  
Lent Reconciliation  
Mass at Camp (Gr. 7- 10)  
Mass at Turkey Roll  
Alumni Reunion  
Mother & Son Mass and Brunch  
(Gr. 7-11)  
Mother & Son Mass and Brunch  
(Gr. 12)  
Staff Welcome Mass  
Staff Year-End Mass  
Year end Mass (Gr. 12)



# Celebrations



"It was so much of a platform for a rocket-ship taking off in my life and helped to shape the rest of my future."

**CLASS OF '95**

"One of the things that I think St. Michael's gives young men is it gives you a sense of confidence and that you are able to carry yourself in certain settings and that you feel that you can be a leader. It's not a foreign concept to step forward or step up when needed whether it's in your community or a business setting. And so I think St. Mike's instills that."

**CLASS OF '92**

"It's a familiar place that I have so much respect for and has been a big part of my life for a long time. I've never been able to leave."

Coming back to the parking lot every day and seeing my old teachers who have become friends and being around the rink at a place where I played so many junior games, and for me to basically have spent 20 years of my life coming around here – it's pretty special and I feel very grateful to be doing it."

**CLASS OF '02**

"I am blessed to have one who is a brother to me like my biological brother, who I see regularly and who is still a significant part of my life."

**CLASS OF '66**

"Every time I'm home, I come back to St. Mike's because people here are like family to me. I see a lot of the teachers and the people that are involved in the school that played a big role in me becoming who I am, so when I come home seeing family includes seeing teachers at St. Mike's."

**CLASS OF '14**

"During my time at St. Michael's, I've had several mentors who have shaped the leader I am today. The Ambassador Programme has allowed me to pay this forward and mentor an entire generation of future school leaders."

**CLASS OF '20**

"The Basilians were very welcoming. They cared. They filled a void that I was lacking as far as a male role model in my life. They taught us a lot about service and that's one of the things that remains at the forefront of my mind, in my memory of them. I took their example as something maybe I should do, and eventually did, later on in life."

**CLASS OF '81**

"My affinity for SMCS is the driving force behind my participation. These are my brothers and I am eager to support them."

**CLASS OF '07**

"St. Michael's started me on the trajectory that led me to where I am today in both medicine and life. Giving back is the least I could do. I remember taking home the feeling that a St. Michael's grad could do anything. Ten years later, I'm only more confident about that fact."

**CLASS OF '10**

# ALUMNI



# COMMUNITY AND LEARNING PARTNERSHIPS

Enriches student learning by connecting the academic curriculum with real-world knowledge through meaningful partnerships.

2017

First year of Community & Learning Partnerships

744

Student participants

116

Staff participants

114

Total events since 2017

35

Total events in 2019



Impact

## PRACTICUMS

- Accounting (Play4Tomorrow)
- Architectural (NORR Architectural)
- Computer Science (MLSE)
- Computer Science (Ryerson and U. of T.)
- Engineering (GlenDimplex)
- Law (Gowling WLG, McMillan LLP, and BLG LLP)
- Media Arts (North York General Hospital)

## EVENTS

- Architectural Tour
- Biomedical Research (Gairdner Foundation)
- Business Ethics Conference
- Cardiac Conference
- Christmas in The Courtyard
- City Hall tours
- Humber River Hospital (A.I. tour)
- Luminato Arts Festival
- Music concert (community schools)
- Ontario Prayer Breakfast
- Ontario Sports Hall of Fame
- ParentTalks
- Parliament of World Religions
- Rotman School of Management Challenge
- Science Breakfast
- Sharks' Den (Three Sharks' in a Castle)
- SMCS Cuisine
- Theatre presentation (community schools)

## SERVICE

- Caring and Sharing
- Feed the Children
- Ontario Prayer Breakfast
- Out of the Cold
- SickKids (Caliper project)
- Yee Hong Seniors Home

## SPEAKERS

- Artificial Intelligence (M. Del Balso presentation)
- Biology (Dr. R.J. Cusimano, human heart. Dr. R. Muir, bacteria and viruses)
- Data Management (M. Di Simone)
- Economics Club of Canada (B. Obama)
- Economics (G. Johnson)
- Financial Literacy (B.Gallandar)
- NAFTA Agreement (A. Leslie)
- Optics Presentation (M. Bacic)
- Orthopaedic Surgery (Dr. R. Brock)
- Prostate Cancer (Stair challenge)
- Sports Mentoring



Real-World



# Self-care

- Arts
- Athletics
- Clubs and Activities
- Guidance Counsellors
- House System
- Intramurals
- Learning Enrichment Centre (LEC)
- Odette Library Learning Commons
- ParenTalks
- Student Wellness Officer
- Spiritual Life Coordinator
- Student Affairs Commons
- Student Affairs Department
- Teacher Advisory Groups (TAG)
- Wellness Team

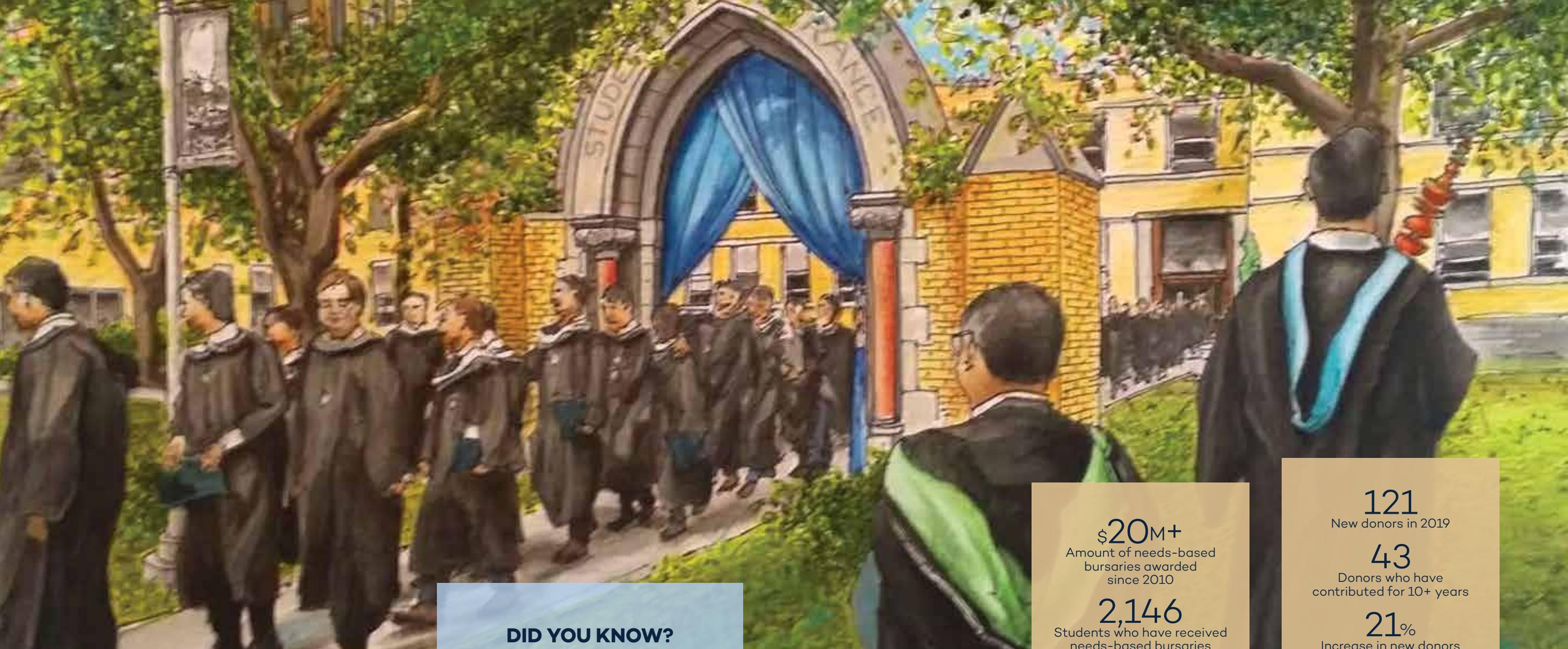


## WELLNESS

Support and resources that help ensure a healthy mind, body and spirit.



# Circle of care



# GIVING

Paying it forward is a cherished legacy of many within our community.

## DID YOU KNOW?

The Basilian Fathers established a needs-based Financial Assistance Programme in 1996 to support students entering St. Michael's College School.

Bursaries are awarded based on financial need and academic standing.

[SMCSGIVE.COM](http://SMCSGIVE.COM)

**\$20M+**  
Amount of needs-based bursaries awarded since 2010

**2,146**  
Students who have received needs-based bursaries

**85%**  
Annual donations earmarked for Financial Assistance programme

**121**  
New donors in 2019

**43**  
Donors who have contributed for 10+ years

**21%**  
Increase in new donors in 2019 versus prior year

**10**  
Donors who have contributed for 20+ years

*Generosity*



**ARENA**

45,000 square feet  
Single-pad  
1,000-seat capacity

**EUGENE MELYNK  
SPORTS FIELD**

Regulation size football field  
1,000-seat capacity  
Artificial grass  
30,000 square foot winterized dome

**TRACK**

400 metre rubberized track

**GYMNASIUM**

Double gym  
14,000 square feet  
500-seat capacity

**ENZO MONTEMURRO  
FITNESS FACILITY**

Strength and conditioning equipment

**MPORIUM**

School Store  
Shopsmcs.com

**CENTRE FOR THE ARTS**

440-seat capacity



**14:1**  
Student to Teacher Ratio

**98**  
Schools new students  
arrive from

# FACILITIES

300,000 square feet of learning space  
across an 11-acre campus.

## EXPERIENCE SMCS

- Centre for the Arts events
- Homecoming
- Open Houses
- ParentTalks
- Personal Tours
- Prospective Parent Breakfasts
- Shadow Days
- Virtual Tour



# ADMISSIONS

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[admissions@smcsmail.com](mailto:admissions@smcsmail.com)

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admissions](http://stmichaelscollegeschool.com/admissions)

I am surrounded by a community of people  
who are dedicated to my success.

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RELIGION  
GRADE 7

SERVICE  
MENTORSHIP  
COMMUNITY  
SPIRITUAL LIFE



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