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Saint Mary's Coronavirus Updates



- **Academic Resources:** In-person instruction remains suspended throughout the academic year, but academic resources are available. Find out more on the COVID-19 Academic Resources page, which features information on interim academic policies, online resources, and remote learning tips for students; and remote advising and teaching resources for faculty. [Read More](#)
- **Housing Updates:** During the period of the shelter-in-place order for the State of California, students in residences who have traveled to their personal home need not return to campus for the purpose of moving their belongings from their residence hall room. [Read More](#)
- **Building Virtual Community:** While we're sheltered in place, let's not let the pandemic keep us completely apart. Student Life departments and staff have adapted many of their scheduled programs and added others to keep us all virtually engaged and connected. [Read More](#)
- **Parking Permits:** As of March 16, Saint Mary's will discontinue the parking permit payroll deduction for employees; those students, employees, and per course adjunct faculty who paid for parking permits in full for the year or the spring semester will be refunded for the remainder of the valid period of their permit (approximately 4.5 months). Find out more on the [COVID-19 FAQs "Will Spring Tuition and Fees Be Discounted?"](#) tab and the [Info for Faculty](#) and [Staff](#) pages. To apply for a refund, click [here](#).

Lucy Moore '21 Takes Saint Mary's to the Rodeo



Saint Mary's College's club sports have Gaels who row, Gaels who flip, Gaels who cycle, and now, a Gael who gallops. At the beginning of the school year in September 2019, Lucy Moore '21 founded the latest SMC club sports team: rodeo. [Read More and Check Out the Gallery](#)

SMC Awarded STEM Grant for Educators

Saint Mary's College is well on its way to enhancing the development, training, and

preparation of STEM teachers. On March 2, the College was awarded a \$75,000 grant to help address the shortage of STEM teachers in high-need, diverse, urban public schools, led by Principal Investigator Mary Candace Raygoza, PhD, assistant professor of Teacher Education (above, left); and Co-Principal Investigator Vidya Chandrasekaran, PhD, associate professor of Biology (above, right).

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MFA Student Creates Quarantine Diary for Writers



Creative Nonfiction student Théodore Pavlich '20 created Dear Quarantine Diary to give space to process where we are now, in whatever way needed. Check out work by several students, and submit if you feel inclined. [Read More](#)

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SMC on Instagram: Good Saint Joseph, you did everything to protect your family. Now we ask your protection of the world family. Inspire us to care for one another, to protect one another, to cheer one another. So that together we can help our world family to heal and be whole. Amen. Prayer shared by Brother Bernard "Bernie" LoCoco, FSC.

Photo by Tatiana Kelly '19

This Week on Campus

Events:

- 3/31 - [How to Read a Supreme Court Decision](#) online
- 3/31 - [SMC EdTech & Faculty Webinar Series](#)
- 4/1 - [SDS Virtual Open Office Hours](#)
- 4/1 - [Information Session: MS in Accounting \(ONLINE\)](#)
- 4/1 - [Dinner & Discipleship - Together Online!](#)
- 4/1 - [Virtual Event: Caring for Ourselves & Each Other During the Pandemic](#)
- 4/1 - [RCIA Meeting - Zoom](#)
- 4/3 - [Facebook Live - Friday Night Dance Party With DJ Ducci](#)

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Religious Services

- Sunday Mass in the Chapel. [View the schedule.](#)

De La Salle Reflection

- [For the week of March 30.](#)

Go Gaels



Senior Spotlight: Aubrey Pitts and Emma Blockhus

The spring season is the second season of the year for Aubrey Pitts, but the lone athletic season for Emma Blockhus. The teammates share the sand courts for Saint Mary's Beach Volleyball in the spring before Pitts transitions back to the indoor courts during the fall semester. Unfortunately, the season ended before it could really get started, with just eight matches under way before it came to a halt. [Read More](#)

Do you have a little-known tidbit or story about Saint Mary's? Send it to [Campus News](#).

Let us remember that we are in the holy presence of God.

Major learning. Minor pretense.

