

St. Mary's Academy

School Sponsored Graduation 2022/2023 Events

The activities listed below are organized by the school. The following list of events are the only ones for which the school assumes responsibility and are the only ones that can use the name St. Mary's Academy.

*The asterisk beside an event indicates costs that are covered by grad fees.

- 1. Mass**
Parent / Graduate Mass
Alumnae Hall, St. Mary's Academy
8:30 a.m. Friday, May 26, 2023
* 2 corsages/boutonnieres for parents/guardians

- 2. Brunch**
Parent / Graduate Brunch
Viscount Gort Hotel
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Friday, May 26, 2023
*3 brunch tickets (graduate and two parents/guardians).

- 3. Alumnae Induction**
Friday, May 26, 2023 during brunch

- 4. Dinner and Dance**
RBC Convention Centre
6:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.
Friday, June 16, 2023
*4 dinner tickets (graduate and 3 guests)
*Decoration of the Ballroom
*DJ and A/V tech
*Security
*SOCAN & Sound Patch Fees

- 5. Safe Grad Party**
RBC Convention Centre
Friday, June 16, 2023 10:30 p.m. – 2:00 a.m.
(ending Saturday, June 17, 2023)
*Decorations
*DJ
*Security
*Entertainment
*Prizes
*Food and soft drinks
*Catering Fee
*Coffee Service

6. Convocation Rehearsal (for students only)

Rehearsal: Alumnae Hall, students only
Monday, June 26, 2023
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

MANDATORY ATTENDANCE

Rehearsal begins at 9:00 a.m. Your Graduate **must** attend rehearsal if they are graduating. **They must bring their white shoes.**

7. Convocation:

Alumnae Hall, St. Mary's Academy
Wednesday, June 28, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.
Students must arrive no later than 12:00
*Caps and tassels, rental of gowns

NB: Convocation is run by the administration. All questions regarding ticketing, the ceremony, seating etc. must go directly through Mrs. Klus.

8. Other Grad Expenses: * Miscellaneous (courier, gifts, cards, etc.)

How much will Grad events cost each student this year?

- \$555 – information will be available at the November 24th 2022 parent meeting.
- Fundraising opportunities will be available. **Students do not have to participate in fundraising.**
- Cost of the grad ticket presumes 3 people at the Brunch and 4 people at the Dinner Dance. Extra costs will be charged for extra people at these events.
- First payment will be due March 17, 2023. Second payment (balance) will be due May 19, 2023.

Additional expenses NOT paid for by Grad Fees

- Grad portraits, rings, and Class of '23 grad wear (sweatshirts)
- Grad dresses
- Gloves, shoes etc. for Convocation
- Transportation to the Dinner Dance by limo etc.

THE PARENT-GRADUATE MASS AND BRUNCH

- Semi-Formal Attire: *Alumnae Hall is transformed into a sacred space for Mass. Similar to our school liturgies, attire must be appropriate.*
 - Suits, dress pants and collared shirts
 - Shoulders and backs are to be covered for Mass

- Dresses and skirts should be an appropriate length for Mass (see SMA agenda for kilt length guidelines)

GRADUATION DINNER AND DANCE

- Semi-Formal or Formal Attire

CONVOCATION/GRAD PHOTOS

- Parents: semi-formal attire
- Graduates:
 - White dress or skin toned slip
 - Skin coloured hosiery
 - White gloves
 - White dress shoes: walkable heel height, closed toe dress shoe, no sling-backs, no canvas, no runners

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the grad advisors.

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