



The year of Perseverance and Faith

With perseverance and faith, our community came together to accomplish the following in 2020:

- **In mid-March, Saint John's pivoted to distance learning in just one day's time.** The school year closed by celebrating the Class of 2020 with an in-person, masked graduation ceremony at Harry Grove Stadium, home of the Frederick Keys.
- After months of planning and preparation, **Saint John's re-opened its doors in August 2020 to be one of the only schools in Frederick County to provide in-person instruction to its students.** Upgrades in classroom technology, the hiring of additional personnel, and increased cleaning and sanitation practices have allowed **Saint John's to complete 13 weeks of successful in-person learning under a hybrid format.**
- **Student-athletes at Saint John's had a successful return to play this summer and fall.** Designated as an open season by both leagues, our Viking athletic teams played an abbreviated, yet competitive, Fall season.
- **This school year, students, faculty, and staff returned to a 9,000 sq. ft. building expansion – the Bettie Delaplaine Fine Arts Center.** The new space includes classrooms for the fine arts, an expanded Viking Café, and the Crowley Multi-Purpose Room. The Mother Theresa of Calcutta Chapel was also completed at the entrance (and heart) of the school.
- **FINALLY in November, after five years, Saint John's successfully connected to Frederick County water and sewer.** Permitting and groundbreaking can now begin for the future VIKING STADIUM!

