



Catholic Steward Rate SY 2026-2027

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General Information

St. Michael Catholic School Mission Statement

StMS provides a Christ-centered Catholic education with a focus on academic excellence, and the development of the whole person, through our core values of reverence, service, and leadership.

- We ask you to join us and consider how your Time, Talent, and Treasure can help us to thrive as a faith-based community.
- Please pray on how you can share the gifts that God has given you and your family.
- The Stewardship tuition rate is made available to families who qualify.



Stewardship Process

- Complete the 2026-2027 Stewardship form online:
<https://www.stmichaelcary.org/steward-tuition-rate>
 - Only one application is needed per family, so please include all children enrolled in Diocesan schools.
- Stewardship Application is due by the following:
 - October 24, 2025 | Families with Returning CGHS Student(s)
 - January 3, 2026 | Families with a New CGHS Students(s)
 - March 1, 2026 | All Other Families
- All CGHS families will also need to complete and email/drop off the CGHS Parish Affiliation form by Oct. 24, 2024, found at:
 - <https://www.cghsnc.org/admissions/tuition-affordability>



Criteria for the Steward rate- Meet all 4!

Criterion 1: St. Michael Church Membership

Be a Fully Registered Member of St. Michael

- Visit our website- to begin the process:
- <https://www.stmichaelcary.org/im-new/>
- Fully registered families include one baptized Catholic adult or have entered the church via the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA).
- Parent/Guardian(s) are required to send the reception of sacramental information with Dates/Church/Location to Stewardship@stmccary.org.



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Criterion 2: Time and Talent

Participate! St. Michael Church and StMS Volunteer Opportunities

- Opportunities include active participation in church ministries or volunteering at StMS:
 - Christina O'Neill at 919-468-6137 coneill@stm Cary.org
 - Parents can assist with PTO opportunities, such as Room Parents and co-chairing fun, family events. Laura Taylor, PTO President, and other officers are here to answer questions. Contact the PTO: PTO@stm Cary.org.



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Criterion 3: Sacraments

- Age-Appropriate Sacraments
 - The reception of our sacraments is a visible sign of grace instituted by Christ.
 - Students are required to have received or be currently enrolled in the preparation to receive age-appropriate sacraments.
 - If not on file yet, please email copies of children's sacraments to: Stewardship@stm Cary.org.
- For additional information or questions on sacramental reception, please contact Joyce Blum, Director of Faith Formation at jblum@stm Cary.org or 919-469-6163.



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Criterion 4: Treasure

- **Identifiable treasure donations**
 - We humbly ask for a history of giving to our church offertory, and if able, please consider also financially supporting our parish school, ie. Endowment, Tuition Assistance Fund, or/and our PTO.
- **Sign up for online giving on Realm**
 - <https://onrealm.org/StMichaelArchangel/Account/Start>
 - Realm is where you can find your giving history for your applications.
 - You may turn in an envelope with your full name, address, and phone number to be attributed and identifiable



Special Cases/Exceptions

- New to the Area?
 - Submit a letter from your most recent parish documenting that you were registered, active, and contributing parish members within the last six months. Letters can be emailed to Stewardship@stm Cary.org.
- Registered Parishioners of St. Andrew, Apex or Mother Teresa, Cary?
 - Please follow your parish's stewardship application process.
- Registered in Another Local Diocesan Parish?
 - Please follow your own parish's Stewardship approval process. Your parish can email approvals to Stewardship@stm Cary.org.

YEARLY process

- ✓ ALL FAMILIES- Complete the St. Michael Stewardship Online Application
 - **October 24, 2025**
 - Steward Tuition Rate Application Deadline for families with a RETURNING CGHS student(s)
 - **January 3, 2026**
 - Steward Tuition Rate Application Deadline for families with a NEW CGHS student(s)
 - **March 1, 2026**
 - Steward Tuition Rate Application Deadline for all other families
- ✓ CGHS Families: Additionally, return the completed CGHS Parish Affiliation form by 10/24/25 to *Stewardship@stmccary.org* or drop it off at the church office, Trinity Center.



YEARLY process

✓ Meet all 4 Criteria:

1. *St. Michael Church Membership*
 2. *Time & Talent*
 3. *Treasure*
 4. *Age-Appropriate Sacraments*
- ***Notification of approval status will be via email.***
Reach out if you have additional questions or concerns!

Stewardship Contact

Thank you for entrusting the education of your children to us!

Questions/Concerns please contact:
Anna Aeloiza, School Finance Coordinator
Stewardship@stmccary.org
919-468-6146

“..The purpose of Catholic schools is to provide a “sound education, rooted in the Gospel message, the Person of Jesus Christ, and rich in the cherished traditions and liturgical practices of our faith.” USCCB, 2013

