

## Last Waltz



Senior Brandon Jonas performs at The Last Waltz. photo by Celine Whiteley

By Helen Kwak

On a warm summer Saturday night, the Marist arts department held the "Last Waltz," the school year's final concert that showcased its many talents.

Paintings by Marist's own studio paint students sat proudly on their easels and adorned the sidewalk leading to the theatre.

Marist's music groups performed a few pieces they chose from the year's repertoire. All the pieces were well-received.

"These students keep getting better and better," commented one parent attendee.

Film students also shared videos they had created during the year. The audience's response ranged from wild laughing to silent reflection.

"It was a bittersweet moment. I enjoyed being with everyone and doing what we worked so hard for. At the same time though, this was the final goodbye to a lot of our musicians," said freshman Guadalupe Gonzales.

## Project Starfish Update

By Jeanine Gutierrez

Marist MVP raised \$9,618 for Project Starfish this year. For the can and bottle drive, about \$600 was raised. Good job Marist!

## Students Vs. Staff

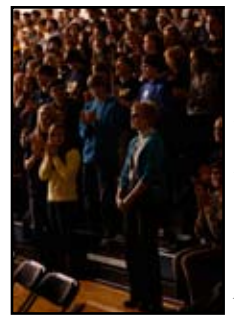


The Seniors celebrate their win after the students vs. staff softball game. photo by Chad DePaoli

# FINAL GOODBYE



The Marist community bids farewell to the Class of 2011 and departing staff at the Farewell Mass



Retiring teacher Kathy Yocum receives a standing ovation. photo by Toni Cooper

The Marist Community blesses the seniors at the Farewell Mass. photo by Tyler Beyerlein.

By Michael Busse

On their bittersweet final day of school, the senior class said goodbye as they were honored at the Farewell Mass last Friday in the gym. From the sign of peace to closing prayer, both tears and laughter filled the room.

Voted most courageous by his classmates, senior Logan Silver transformed Marist's motto on the gym wall to read "WE ARE DONE," garnering wild cheers from his class.

Father Dave told a story for his homily, illustrated with a pantomime by senior Micah Stratton. The tale cautioned against wishing to be more important.

Representing the Class of 2011, Nyree White and Kevin Haskin read letters of advice to the underclassmen.

Banners from last year's Junior Encounters were taken from their place in the chapel and displayed at mass. They were given to rectors of this year's Junior Encounters, Ray

Ferrari, Carson Kieswetter, Katie Kline and Lauren Nelson.

Mass concluded with the school extending their arms in a blessing for the departing students and staff.

"I felt sad because it was my last Mass with the people I've come to know for the last four years as a community," said Senior Colton Hanson.

Senior Logan Silver places the D on "We Are One." photo by Toni Cooper



## Hurrah for Homegoing



Seniors dance at Homegoing. photo by Toni Cooper



Junior Dylan Karr and Senior Alisha Nielson display their mathlete attire. photo by Tyler Beyerlein



Seniors Meghan Manwill and Amanda Boyd fight junior Amanda Robert for the ball during powderpuff football. photo by Toni Cooper

By Morgan Silver

As seniors said goodbye to Marist and the underclassmen, they did it in style last week during Homegoing Week.

Students showed their class spirit by donning costumes each day. Monday was pirates and ninjas, Wednesday was athletes and mathletes, and Thursday was hillbillies and hippies. Students wore their class shirts on Friday for the Farewell Mass held in honor of the seniors.

On Friday, the senior boys prevailed in the he-man volleyball match-up against the juniors, capturing the victory in just two games. The girls in the class of

2011 won powderpuff football for the second year in a row, beating the junior team 12-0 after a last-second touchdown.

In an interclass competition introduced this year, each class took part in activities to vie for the Class Cup each quarter. After a strong showing at the lunchtime dodgeball tournament on Thursday and Friday, the juniors edged out the seniors for the final victory to become the only class to win twice.

Concluding the seniors' last school day was the karaoke dance on Friday evening, hosted by departing math teachers Mr. Matt and Mrs. Chase. The dance raised \$624 for Project Starfish.



photo by Geoffrey Wildish

## Rat Dissection

By Helen Kwak

This week, Marist biology students gathered up their courage for the annual rat dissection.

Students learned the many parts of a rat's anatomy first-hand, inferring the purpose of each structure from its tactile and visual properties.

While some students struggled uncomfortably, others took to the challenge with zeal.

"I was really grossed out. We were all girls, and we were squealing in the corner," said sophomore Molly Bohr. "We had to get a guy that was actually into doing it."



photo by Toni Cooper

## Courtyard Music

By Jessica Perry

Marist's rock band, Malicious Mango, performed concerts in the courtyard for the Marist Community on June 3rd and 9th.

After a cold wet spring, students and faculty swamped to the courtyard to enjoy the sun and listen to a collection of rock bands best.