## **Mount Saint Mary Traditions**

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Freshman Welcome	On the first day of every school year prior to Convocation, the entire sophomore, junior, and senior classes create an honor guard from the freshman homerooms to Chapel. The freshmen walk through the lines of students as they are cheered and welcomed on their first day.	September 9, 2020
Mercy Day	Every September, the Mount community gathers in Chapel to celebrate the founding values of the school and the Sisters of Mercy. During the Mass, Sisters who reside and work on campus renew their vows.	September
White Gowns	This century-old tradition remains an important component of the Mount experience today. Each student wears her white gown to special events throughout her high school career including annual Mercy Day Liturgies, Junior Ring Mass, and Baccalaureate Mass.	Various Masses
Junior Ring Mass	This special Mass is a rite of passage for Mount students as it represents their transition to upperclasswomen. Juniors receive their class rings in this ceremony.	November 2, 2020
Christmas Tree Blessing	The Mount community gathers to celebrate the advent season and bless the Chapel Christmas tree. The tree is decorated each year by the senior class.	December 8, 2020
Big-Sister Little Sister Program	Every new student is assigned a "big sister" in the junior class who helps guide her in the transition to high school. The freshman and junior sisters gather periodically at school socials, celebrate birthdays, and communicate regularly to stay informed on how the other is doing.	Various events
Catholic Schools Week	Activities throughout the week honor Catholic education and promote school spirit. The Mount celebrates Mass and organizes Service Day, an annual event where each student, faculty, and staff member practices service on or off the Mount campus. Students also enjoy the annual activities of door decorating, class theme day, and class t-shirt day.	January 25-29, 2021
Senior Traditions	<ul> <li>After their induction into the Alumnae Association, seniors enjoy a special reception with their mothers.</li> <li>The 100 Days Party is an annual event held by the Alumnae Association.</li> <li>The Senior Tailgate Breakfast- The graduating students gather in the senior parking lot to enjoy breakfast together as a class.</li> </ul>	Various Events