ONE TEAM, ONE DREAM—Taking the Tournament by Storm

"One Team, One Dream" - that was the theme for the 2010-11 St. Mary's High School boys' basketball team. After an undefeated 2009-10 season was ended by a disappointing loss to Boyden-Hull, the players made a pact to work harder so they could beat more physical teams like Boyden-Hull. In 2010-11, they did just that. In fact, no one could beat them this season.

Not even at the state tournament. The dream was to be the first boys' team in St. Mary's 99-year history to make it in the doors of the "the big dance" - the state basketball tournament in Des Moines. They made it. And part of the dream was to actually win the state tournament. They did it. The boys brought home the huge Class 1A Championship trophy for their school and their fans.

Along the way, sophomore Luke Lenhart was named All-Tournament Team Captain. His classmate Kennedy Drey joined him on the All-Tournament Team. Senior Connor Richardson was named to the Academic All-State Team (consequently he earned the honor of 2011 covaledictorian). Head Coach Brad Wilkening was named 2011 Class 1A Coach of the Year.

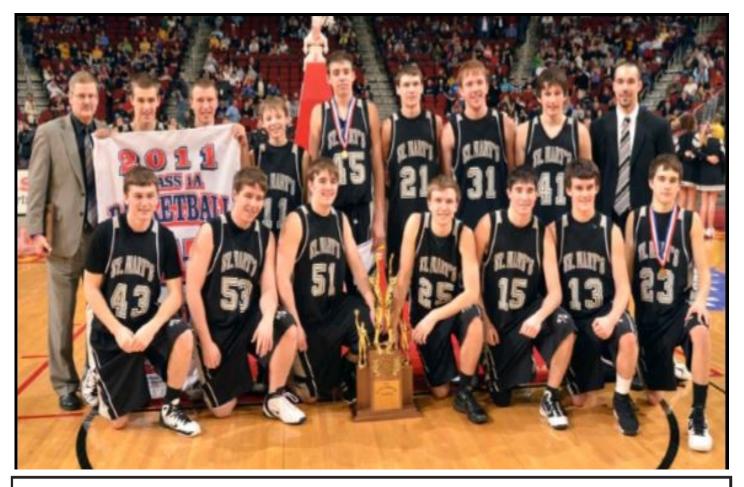
Thanks to all who followed the boys during this historic tournament trail. Enjoy the photos and the stories of the graduates who beamed when their high school finally took home the hardware.



Celebrating their win over Danville in Class 1A championship action of the Iowa State

Basketball Tournament played Friday, March 11, 2011 at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines.

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State Team Champion (2011) Basketball

Front row (I-r): Joe Sandhoff '13, David Peterson '11, Lincoln Wells '11, Connor Richardson '11, Daniel Lenhart '11, Dillan Smith '13, Luke Lenhart '13

Back row (I-r): Coach Brad Wilkening, Nick Smith '11, Tyler Munden '11, Austin Demers '11, Kennedy Drey '13, Bobby Ivey '12, Andy Drey '12, Nathan Lenhart '12, Asst Coach Nick Landgraf.

2018 Inductee to St. Mary's Hall of Fame

Mary, Queen of Victory, pray for us!