

Charlie Haynes Wins MACS 2016-2017 Spelling Bee *Competes in 63rd Charlotte Observer Spelling Bee*

St. Mark Catholic School is excited to announce that fourth grade student Charlie Haynes won the 2016-2017 Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools (MACS) Spelling Bee. A student from St. Mark won the Bee last year resulting in St. Mark's status as the host school. St. Mark will host the Bee again next year. MACS superintendent Dr. Janice Ritter serves as the official pronouncer for the MACS Bee.

The MACS Bee is comprised of students from the following seven Catholic schools: St. Mark, Our Lady of Assumption, St. Patrick, St. Ann, St. Gabriel, St. Matthew and Holy Trinity. Each elementary school sends one fourth and fifth grade representative, and each school with middle school students sends an additional middle school representative.

Charlie's win secured his spot in the 63rd Charlotte Observer Spelling Bee held on February 27. His alternate was John Tricarico from St. Gabriel. Twenty seven contestants from 13 counties in North and South Carolina competed. Representing MACS, Charlie made it through the seventh round. The Observer Spelling Bee winner participates in the National Spelling Bee in Washington, DC.

