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"I was able to stay strong in the faith."

Elizabeth Reid

taught me how to work hard and achieve great things. I plan to focus on my academics. I really enjoyed getting involved with a wide range of activities during middle school. I plan to become equally involved with my high school community," shared Noah.

His mom Katherine Avery said GRACE has gifted their family greatly.

"Without St. Mary's, I'm not sure that I'd have a child that is as successful as Noah has been throughout his school career. The family feeling of the school combined with a real commitment to rigorous academics is what makes it a wonderful school. GRACE made it possible for us to attend this magical place," she said.

Avery emphasized that Catholic education is one of the greatest gifts the church provides its children.

"My son has high functioning autism. The teachings of the church that say God makes us all different and special was exactly what my son needed to hear. He was filled with the profound sense that God's plan for his life was for good even if at times it could be hard."

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Noah Avery, left, is a GRACE Scholars recipient who graduated in May from St. Mary's School in Rome. He joined other students for the school's May crowning.

