

Lady Tigers split two games at Grace Christian Tournament

ALEXANDRIA, La. - The St. Mary's Lady Tigers slugged past the St. Michael Lady Warriors, 13-3, but lost to the Sacred Heart Lady Trojans, 12-1, Friday in the Grace Christian Tournament at Johnny Downs Sports Complex in Alexandria.

The Lady Tigers (10-4) rolled to a victory in game one over St. Michaels as Tyonnah Burton hit two two-run homers to lead the way.

SMS scored six runs in the bottom of the second as Grace Wren reached on an error by the first baseman to score GK Philen and Addy Price. Later in the inning, sophomore Kennedy Griffin drilled a double to left field scoring Jenna Sklar and Chloe Methvin. Moments later, Burton crushed her first homer of the game to left making it 6-0.

The Lady Tigers added a run in the third on a solo homer by Price to push it to 7-0. SMS finished off the Lady Warriors as Burton hit her second homer of the game, a two-run shot, making it 9-0. Mabile then hit an RBI fielder's choice pushing it to 10-0.

The Lady Warriors (7-6) scored three runs in the fifth inning but it wouldn't be nearly enough as SMS scored three more in the bottom of the fifth inning. Griffin clubbed an RBI single to center before Malorie LaCaze singled home two runs to give SMS a 10-run rule victory.

Wren earned up the win in the circle as she threw five innings. The junior right-hander allowed three hits, three earned runs, three walks and struck out two.

In game two, the Lady Tigers' offense stalled out with just three hits as they fell behind early. Sacred Heart finished the game with 14 hits and scored in every inning but the third. Griffin, LaCaze and Sklar had the only hits of the game all singles in the loss to the Lady Trojans (8-3).

Next up, SMS will take on LaSalle Tuesday at 5 p.m. on the road.