



St HILARY PARISH
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ANNUAL REPORT

For all St. Hilary Parishioners, Friends, and Donors



THE RALPH L. AND FLORENCE A. BERNARD
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A belief in education

During his 94-year lifetime, Ralph Bernard, Sr. reached a level of personal achievement very few people attain. He was a professional registered engineer in the State of Ohio for over fifty years, and worked in his family business for over seventy years. But if he were able, he would tell you that those achievements are not his legacy. Rather, his legacy is the millions of moments that came in between. A favorite poem of Mr. Bernard's was "The Dash" by Linda Ellis, which refers

to the dash between one's year of birth and year of death. It begs the question of how an individual spent his or her "dash." Mr. Bernard celebrated every moment of his "dash", and has left a remarkable legacy of learning as proof.

He and his wife, Florence, believed in education. They knew the value of Catholic education, and the challenges faced by

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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE:

Investing in the future of our Parish

When people meet for the first time, they usually share pleasantries and personal info about work, kids, favorite teams, hobbies and such. When the question of school comes up,

people quite naturally tell where they went to college or gush about their high school background. But, I almost never hear people talk about where they went to grade school; do you?

Yet it's elementary school that prepared us for our high school and college experiences. It's those patient teachers, energetic playground monitors, resourceful librarians, helpful aides and others who laid the early foundation for later success.

Elementary school educators encourage curiosity and inspire creativity, while enforcing rules and introducing social skills.

St. Hilary is one of those schools – encouraging, inspirational, rigorous and fun. It has been part of the educational foundation for our children for 50 years. It has shaped the future for more than 2,200 boys and girls since it opened in 1960. When the first class of seventeen students graduated in 1961, they could not have known the legacy they were starting. It was and is a legacy of building lives, faith and community.

My own two sons, Chris and Ben, are graduates of St. Hilary School and my husband and I are grateful for all they learned from the people and programs here. St. Hilary prepared them well for high school, for college and for life. St. Hilary's outstanding, faith-filled curriculum, athletics, clubs and service provide skills that carry graduates forward and all those programs have been recognized twice by the Department of Education with a National Blue Ribbon Award of Excellence.

The St. Hilary Parish Foundation has supported our parish school for more than 34 years with \$948,817. Foundation funds have provided scholarships, teacher bonuses, educational materials and computers, carpet and flooring and

much more. Along with the parish and dedicated staff, parents and volunteers, the Foundation helps make St. Hilary among the best elementary schools in the region.

Sustaining the school endowment is a wonderful investment in our children's future. It can maintain and uphold quality education and spiritual leadership. In difficult economic times, the Foundation's support can help the school offset operational increases.

One way to support the Foundation and the School is to invest in the St. Hilary School Endowment Fund Crystal Commemorative Campaign. The Crystal Commemoratives are specially crafted, beveled glass panels permanently bonded to the windows in the connecting hall between the school and the gym. They will be a lasting symbol of your commitment to St. Hilary School. And they are a great opportunity to commemorate the School's 50th anniversary.

Whether you smile or cringe remembering flash cards, awkward musical performances or fragile artwork, please do remember your elementary school next time people ask about your background. And remember the Foundation's work in sustaining that high-quality education for children at St. Hilary School.

Imagine providing a legacy of support that will touch and inspire the lives of children at St. Hilary School for years to come. Then call me at 330-608-4787 and make it a reality.

Sincerely,
Diane Sarkis



PASTOR'S MESSAGE:

Making the impossible, possible

Dear Parishioners and Benefactors:

More than 1.9 million dollars... does that sound like a lot of money? This is the amount the

St. Hilary Parish Foundation has given to the parish and school since 1983 through the generosity of donors like you. Viewed another way, this amount represents roof replacements, tuition assistance funding, the construction of buildings, refurbished statues, new vestments, fresh carpeting and tile, hearing devices, instructional salaries and bonuses, stained glass windows, updates to the rectory, cushioned pews and kneelers, acoustic treatment in the school gymnasium, computers for the school, hand chimes, classroom SmartBoards, and much more.

Impressive, right? Now, here's what I'd like to add to this list... No more school tuition increases! Impossible, you say? Maybe not! With St. Hilary School celebrating its 50th anniversary this school year, the Foundation is focused on building the School Endowment Fund. Our goal is to raise 1.2 million dollars by the end of this anniversary school year. Why the School Endowment Fund? Endowed funds are distributed based on an annual percentage, so the base funds grow and create a continuous circle of funding. With a significant school endowment, we could end, or at least hold down the amount of, tuition increases, thus making a Catholic education at St. Hilary School affordable for all of our parish children.

One vehicle for contributing to the School Endowment Fund is through the Crystal Commemorative Campaign, which is now in full swing. Through this campaign, donors at certain levels are honored with an etched crystal, bearing the inscription of their choice, affixed to the windows in the school's Horning Hall alcove. Two window sections are already adorned with

crystal panels honoring generous donors who recognize the value of Catholic education, with additional sections soon to be installed. Your donation in tribute to your family, student, parent, class, favorite teacher, or any person you choose to honor can make a significant difference for the future of St. Hilary School. To date, \$345,000 has been pledged in this campaign, with \$238,379 already received. It's a great start, but there is a long way to go!

Details on the Crystal Commemorative Campaign and the School Endowment Fund can be found in this issue. Please prayerfully consider joining in this wonderful opportunity to build a solid fiscal foundation for St. Hilary School and future generations of Catholic school children.

In Christ,
Fr. Steve Brunovsky

Funding Opportunities for Upcoming Capital Improvement Projects at St. Hilary Parish

SUMMER OF 2011:

School Roof Replacement, Junior High Wing: **\$38,000**
School First Floor (Library Office) Tile Replacement: **\$6,000**

SUMMER OF 2012:

School Boiler Replacement: **\$150,000 - \$200,000**

ONGOING PROJECTS:

School Window Replacement – West: (Phase 2): **\$39,000**
School Window Replacement – East: (Phase 3): **\$25,200**
School Second Floor Classroom Carpet Replacement
9 Rooms, at \$2,000 each: **\$18,000**

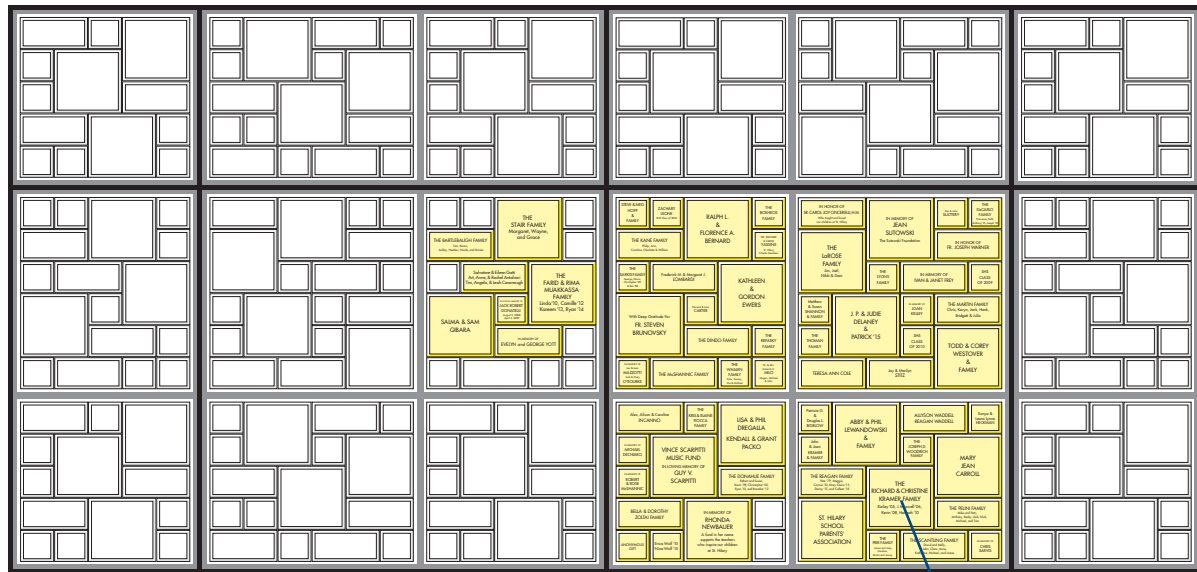
Church Main Office

Carpet Replacement: **\$4,100**

Church & Spiritual Center

Replacement of three furnaces and air handlers: **\$30,000**

If you prefer to direct your gift to a specific project, these are the capital improvements projects we hope to fund over the next few years with your generosity.



Crystal Commemoratives Update

Commitments and pledges are already over 25%, with installation of first set of committed panels in place.

Crystal Commemoratives are unique, individually crafted, etched and beveled glass panels, permanently and invisibly bonded to the windows in the connecting hallway between the school and the gymnasium. They are a perfect way to leave a legacy, remember a loved one or celebrate a special event.

Three sizes offer a choice of participation levels, with the two larger sizes featuring bigger typography for the commemoration.

There are 120 6”x6” panels remaining available for a donation of \$2,500 each, 50 12”x6” panels remaining available for a donation of \$5,000 each, and only 41 12”x12” panels left available for a donation of \$10,000 each. If all are pledged, these commemorative panels will help raise over \$1,280,000 for the St. Hilary School Endowment Fund.

The photographic illustration at right shows how the completed windows in the connecting hallway will look with all the commemoratives in place. If you are interested in participating, contact Diane Sarkis at 330-608-4787 for more information.

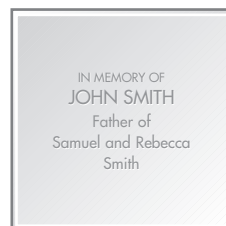
Note: Yellow-tinted panels in large above indicate committed panels. Actual crystal panels are clear, with beveled edges and etched type.

140 x \$ 2,500 = \$350,000
70 x \$ 5,000 = \$350,000
58 x \$10,000 = \$580,000

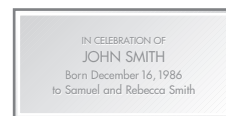
Windows Goal: \$1,280,000



The west set of windows that face the secluded grassy area behind the hallway, between the gym and the school, is a perfect backdrop for the commemoratives. The view is tranquil and easy on the eye, providing the right amount of color and shade to read the inscriptions. And, in the late afternoon, the setting sun lights up the windows, giving sparkle and life to the beveled glass of the panels.



12”x12” Font sizes:
 Commemorative Title: 48 pt
 Commemoration Line: 72 pt
 Two lines of Sponsorship: 60 pt
 Donation: \$10,000.00 each. 54 Total.

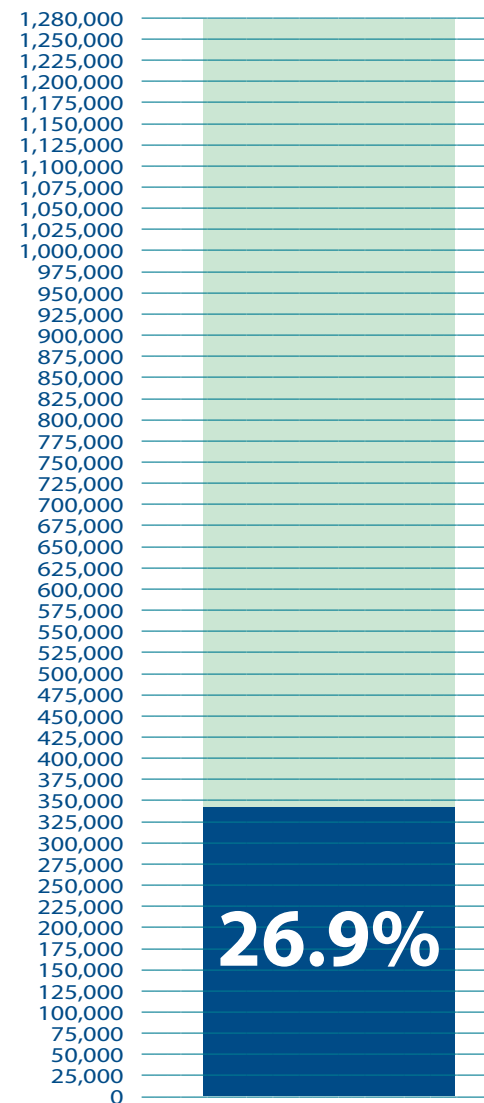


12”x6” Font sizes:
 Commemorative Title: 36 pt
 Commemoration Line: 56 pt
 Two lines of Sponsorship: 44 pt
 Donation: \$5,000.00 each. 72 Total.



6”x6” Font sizes:
 Commemorative Title: 28 pt
 Commemoration Line: 48 pt
 Two lines of Sponsorship: 36 pt
 Donation: \$2,500.00 each. 152 Total.

Total Goal: \$ 1,280,000
Total Remaining: \$ 935,000



Totals to November, 2010:
30@ \$ 2,500 = \$ 75,000
20@ \$ 5,000 = \$100,000
17@ \$10,000 = \$170,000
Total to Date: \$ 345,000



IN SUPPORT OF THE
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I (we) pledge and agree to pay the St. Hilary Parish Foundation \$ _____ for a Crystal Window Commemorative.

My (our) pledge will be paid as follows:

- Direct Gift**
- Installments** Monthly Quarterly
- Annually** over a period of:
 - 1 year 2 years 3 years

Please print the name(s) and other information exactly as you wish to be listed on the Crystal Commemorative Panel:

Signature _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

eMail _____

Thank you for
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We truly apologize for any omission.

ST. HILARY SCHOOL AT 50: Still Building a Foundation for Life

Fifty years... Half a century. For most of us, more than half a lifetime. By any standard of measurement, fifty years is a long time to maintain consistency and produce quality. Yet, that is precisely what St. Hilary School has been doing since its doors opened on September 5, 1960.



Sure, many things have changed over 50 years. School leadership, faculty and staff have evolved, students have come and gone, and even the school building itself has grown. However, the more some things change, the more they stay the same, as the saying goes. That is absolutely true in the case of St. Hilary School.

In the uncertain times of the 1960s, when parents sought a school in which their children could learn Gospel values and be formed by faith, St. Hilary School answered the call. The fledgling school's first-year enrollment was a respectable 261 students. Today, times are no less uncertain and parents still seek a faith-based, values-grounded education for their children, with enrollment standing strong at just shy of 650. For fifty years, St. Hilary School has partnered with parents to provide a foundation that will empower their children for life.

How? Teachers who foster the best in every child. Programs that develop the whole person. An environment where all are welcome. Walking through the doors of St. Hilary School, one senses a call to do more, to be more. This is a place where minds are educated and hearts are enlightened. A place where lives are shaped. It is no accident that the school is a two-time recipient of the U.S. Department of Education's prestigious Blue Ribbon award. All St. Hilary School grade levels consistently rank at the 96th-99th percentile nationally on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills. What's more, approximately 98% of St. Hilary School students choose to continue their education at a Catholic high school. That statistic alone speaks volumes.

St. Hilary School serves students of all backgrounds in kindergarten through eighth grade. The school's curriculum challenges and accommodates students of diverse learning abilities, and its faculty strives to

cultivate the full academic potential of every student. Enhancing the core curriculum are classes in religion, Spanish, French, art, music, physical education, and technology. Also available are advanced math classes, an arts-based enrichment program, and a full-service media center. St. Hilary School students have the opportunity to participate in service projects, competitive academic events, extra-curricular activities (including a brand new Chinese program), and sports during the school year. Technology is in use throughout the school. Guidance, remedial services, a nurse-staffed clinic, a daily hot lunch program, and extended care are among the amenities offered.

An excellent school depends upon resources to offer students the best possible preparation for their futures. As a St. Hilary parishioner, what better 50th anniversary gift can you give than to help build a foundation for the life of a St. Hilary student? Please consider donating to the St. Hilary School Endowment Fund. For more information, please call Diane Sarkis at 330-608-4787.



The Koegel Spiritual Center Gathering Area provided a fitting backdrop for the St. Hilary Parish Foundation event "An Evening of Thanks" held on October 13. Delicious hors d'oeuvres, elegant decorations (courtesy of our own parish designer-in-residence, Debbie Wright) and warm fellowship filled the room on a beautiful autumn evening.

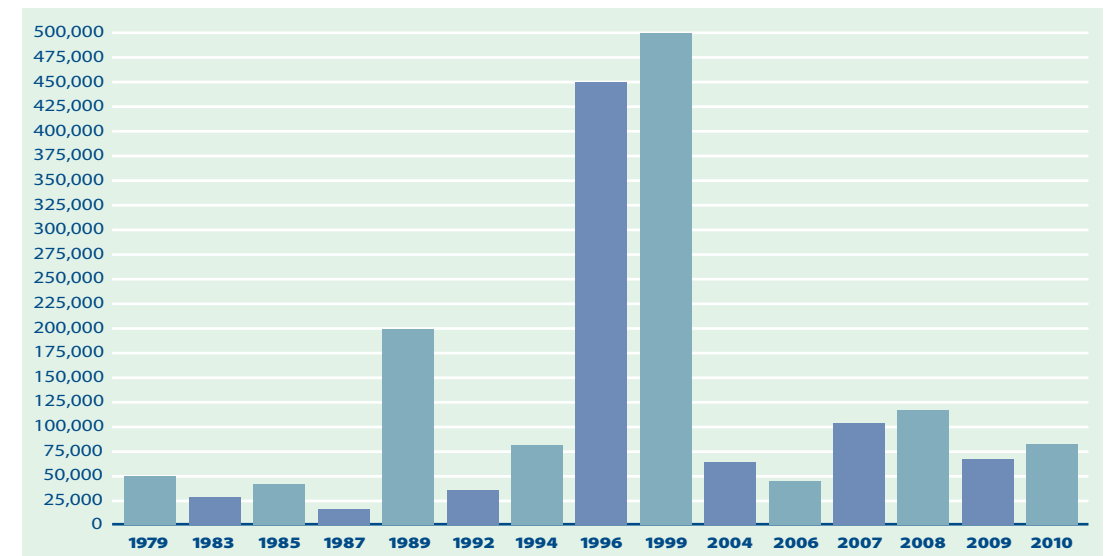
The evening was an opportunity to thank donors for their generous support of St. Hilary Parish. Foundation Director Diane Sarkis, Foundation Board President Ed Carter, Pastor Fr. Steve Brunovsky, and guest speaker Harry Donovan all shared their appreciation with the 80 supporters in attendance.

One Foundation project highlighted during the evening was the Crystal Commemorative campaign to help build the Foundation's School Endowment Fund. On display was a diagram of the Crystal Commemorative windows as they look today, as well as an artist's projection of how the windows will appear when complete. Many of the attendees have purchased Crystal Commemoratives which are already affixed to the windows in the school's Horning Hall alcove. Each guest received a small crystal gift at the end of the evening.

\$78,882.58 St. Hilary Parish Foundation Distributions Breakdown for 2010



\$1,949,969.82 Total St. Hilary Parish Foundation Distributions 1979 to 2010



ST. HILARY PARISH FOUNDATION GRANT DISTRIBUTIONS FROM 1979 TO 2010

DATE	DETAIL	AMOUNT	YEARLY
6/1/79	School Storage Const.	50,000.00	50,000.00
6/1/83	Gym Roof, Parking Lot	30,000.00	30,000.00
5/1/85	Church Roof Repairs	43,000.00	43,000.00
6/1/87	School Roof Repairs	17,500.00	17,500.00
10/11/89	Spiritual Center	200,000.00	200,000.00
11/6/92	Computers for School	33,563.00	33,563.00
6/13/94	Spiritual Center Elevator	20,500.00	
9/27/94	Church Roof Repairs	17,400.00	
9/27/94	Rectory Renovation	40,000.00	77,900.00
12/19/96	Capital Fund Drive	450,000.00	450,000.00
7/15/99	Capital Campaign Gym	500,000.00	500,000.00
1/5/04	Mobile PC Lab	25,152.66	
5/17/04	Beds	300.00	
10/13/04	Spiritual Center Roof	40,200.00	65,652.66
6/8/05	Scholarship	500.00	
6/7/05	Scholarships	1,600.00	
6/27/05	Tuition Assistance	5,000.00	
2/16/05	Gym Acoustical Treatment	29,207.80	
2/20/05	School Roof Repairs	11,792.20	48,100.00
6/1/06	Sidewalk Repairs	2,500.00	
8/29/06	School Restrooms	12,941.00	
8/29/06	Spiritual Center Tables	7,735.17	
10/27/06	School Windows	11,000.00	
2/22/06	School Safety Doors	7,711.00	
6/1/06	Scholarships	1,000.00	
6/3/06	Scholarship	500.00	
6/13/06	Tuition Assistance	7,500.00	
6/13/06	Scripts for Musical	559.81	
7/28/06	Church Video Screen	858.40	52,305.38
1/5/07	Smart Boards	5,887.00	
2/22/07	Church Laptop	907.94	
5/3/07	Horning Hall Screen	3,685.32	
5/3/07	Installation of Screen	1,600.00	
5/15/07	Scholarship	500.00	
5/18/07	Bed	272.78	
6/3/07	Scholarships	1,500.00	
6/5/07	Playrights/Props	924.80	
6/25/07	Tuition Assistance	5,379.92	
6/27/07	Tabernacle for Rectory	2,432.94	
8/15/07	Community Outreach	5,000.00	

DATE	DETAIL	AMOUNT	YEARLY
8/13/07	Rectory Patio	7,500.00	
9/14/07	Football Uniforms	2,500.00	
9/29/07	Refurb. Mary/Joseph Statues	6,800.00	
11/30/07	Church Carillon	6,200.00	
12/1/07	A/C Media, Computer Rooms	33,933.00	
12/21/07	Smart Boards	16,783.00	101,806.70
1/21/08	Church kneelers, deposit	14,697.40	
2/22/08	Hand Chimes	1,012.26	
2/27/08	Scholarships	9,000.00	
3/25/08	PSR Materials	32.00	
4/7/08	Teacher Salaries	17,500.00	
4/17/08	Camera	415.94	
5/30/08	Scholarships	1,800.00	
6/10/08	Chasuble Robe	460.00	
7/29/08	Church kneelers, balance	15,944.50	
9/11/08	Church Roof Repair	60,000.00	
12/8/08	7th Grade Retreat	1,305.00	
12/12/08	Tuition Assistance	9,000.00	133,574.53
2/16/09	Hearing Devices	2,509.41	
3/11/09	Child Guidance Parent Seminar	175.00	
5/5/09	Right to Life Program - SHS	540.00	
5/10/09	School Recarpeting/Replacement	9,331.44	
5/15/09	KTN Scholarship	750.00	
6/23/09	Church HVAC Circulating Pump	13,357.46	
7/30/09	Parish Driveway Repaving	10,000.00	
8/11/09	Pew Envelope/Pencil Holders	5,575.00	
8/18/09	Rectory Improvements	11,279.00	
9/1/09	Tuition Assistance	11,586.00	
10/26/09	SHS 7th & 8th Grade Retreats	3,031.66	67,684.97
1/1/10	Teachers' Bonuses	8,000.00	
5/17/10	KTN Scholarship Fund	1,000.00	
6/4/10	Stained Glass Repair & Phones	3,582.58	
6/15/10	Vestments	3,344.00	
7/29/10	School VCT Flooring	5,695.00	
7/29/10	School Recarpeting	5,542.00	
8/25/10	School Multi-Purpose Roof	37,719.00	
9/27/10	Scholarship/Tuition Assistance	14,000.00	78,882.58
Total Distributions To Date			\$ 1,949,969.82

Summary Statement of Financial Position 11/1/09 to 10/31/10

ASSETS:

Cash:	\$9,157.73
Unrestricted Funds:	\$1,356,184.24
Designated Funds:	\$800,964.08
Total Assets:	\$2,166,306.05

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS:

Grants approved for future payment	\$(8,598.20)
Total Liabilities	\$(8,598.20)
Net Assets	\$2,157,707.85
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$2,166,306.05

Summary Statement of Activities for 11/1/09 to 10/31/10

REVENUES AND GAINS:

Contributions received	\$402,250.85
Investment Income	\$181,901.86
Total Revenues and Gains	\$584,152.71

EXPENSES AND DISTRIBUTIONS:

Grants and other distributions	\$78,882.58
Expenses	\$45,314.17
Total Expenses and Distributions	\$124,196.75



Ed Carter, St. Hilary Parish Foundation Board President, speaks to parishioners attending the "Evening of Thanks" event October 13 in the Koegel Spiritual Center.

A belief in education *Continued from page 1*

Catholic schools and the families who attend them. Those challenges are what drove the Bernards to give back to a host of local Catholic schools. Many of these schools have endowed scholarships available to their students from the Bernards' own Ralph L. and Florence A. Bernard Family Foundation. Hundreds of students have already been the beneficiaries of this extensive scholarship program, and because of the Bernards' foresight, many future students will have the same opportunity. At Mr. Bernard's funeral Mass, the pews were filled with students and parents who have been blessed by the Bernards' generosity. Their presence was a tribute to Mr. Bernard's "dash" and how he spent it.

Here at St. Hilary, we also have been blessed by Mr. Bernard's "dash," dating as far back as 1959. Few people are aware that it was the Bernard Construction Company which served as general contractor for the construction of St. Hilary School more than 50 years ago. The building that today houses the school doubled in its earliest years as both school and church. More recently, shortly before his death, Mr. Bernard's generosity funded the St. Hilary School mobile laptop computer lab, as well as SmartBoards for two classrooms. His philanthropy allowed the school to keep pace with burgeoning technology, and set the stage for future technology upgrades.

St. Hilary Parish Foundation Director Diane Sarkis was truly moved upon learning that Ralph Bernard had made a specific bequest to benefit St. Hilary School. "For Mr. Bernard to extend to the years following his death his already generous legacy of giving during his lifetime is a real blessing," notes Diane. "His bequest will go a long way toward ensuring the broadest possible availability of Catholic education at St. Hilary School." Because Mr. Bernard believed in the quality of Catholic education, he directed that his bequest be earmarked to provide tuition assistance and/or scholarships for any students who may not be able to afford to attend St. Hilary School. As a result, The Ralph L. and Florence A. Bernard Endowed Scholarship Fund was established through the St. Hilary Parish Foundation. Due to their remembrance of St. Hilary in their estate planning, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard are members of the St. Hilary Legacy Society... which is only fitting, considering the legacy of Mr. Bernard's "dash."

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THE ST. HILARY LEGACY SOCIETY

Legacies are woven of many threads

— our acts of service, the lives we touch,
and the ways we support and sustain
our beliefs and values.

The St. Hilary Parish Foundation can help you shape a legacy of hope for future generations. We are dedicated to helping donors achieve their long-term philanthropic goals. An important part of planned giving is ensuring that your contributions will continue to support your charitable interests for generations to come. Donors who have made long-term commitments to the St. Hilary Parish Foundation through planned or deferred gift arrangements become members of the St. Hilary Legacy Society.

If you have remembered the Foundation in your will or as a beneficiary of a life insurance or retirement account, please let us know so we can welcome you into our St. Hilary Legacy Society.

If you are considering one of these lifelong legacy options, please contact Diane Sarkis, Development Director at 330-608-4787 for help with your decision.

Your St. Hilary Parish Foundation

The St. Hilary Parish Foundation was formed by our first pastor, Father Edward Horning in 1976.

The mission of the St. Hilary Parish Foundation is to ensure a vibrant parish life and the highest standards of excellence in Catholic education by raising, safeguarding, and granting funds that support the operating and capital needs of St. Hilary Church and School.

How the St. Hilary Parish Foundation works:

The St. Hilary Parish Foundation includes the Unrestricted Endowment Fund, St. Hilary School Endowment Fund, 17 family named funds and 9 other designated funds.

The Foundation seeks and accepts donations in any amount at any time of year. Foundation programs support only St. Hilary Church, St. Hilary School and St. Hilary Parish Outreach.

If a contribution is designated for a specific purpose, the gift is added to that fund. Undesignated donations are added to the Unrestricted Endowment Fund. The endowment funds are permanent; that is, the original contribution is added to the permanent fund and only interest on the funds is spent.

A board of trustees, made up of parish volunteers and including Fr. Steve Brunovsky, oversees the Foundation endowment, investments and spending.

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