



St. HILARY PARISH FOUNDATION FOR ALL ST. HILARY PARISHIONERS, FRIENDS, AND DONORS

ANNUAL REPORT

FALL 2024
Volume 21

Inspired by the Past, **Inspiring the Future**

In its 48 years of existence, the St. Hilary Parish Foundation has been guided by the wisdom of many individuals whose passion for our parish and school, along with their acumen and experience, have helped the Foundation grow from humble beginnings to what it is today. Inspired by the past, the Foundation moves boldly forward, inspiring the future and ensuring the legacy of our Catholic faith. As the Foundation forges new paths, in March 2024, two new members, Brittany Root and Dan Sollenberger, were elected to the Board of Directors that leads it.

TWO NEW MEMBERS JOIN BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A member of St. Hilary Parish since 2008, Brittany Root sees the Foundation as a great benefit to the church and school. Having two daughters educated at St. Hilary School, Brittany has been heavily involved at the school for many years, including serving as Parents' Association President, coordinating major fundraisers, and working as a teaching assistant. Brittany states, "Catholic education holds immense significance in my life and in the lives of my children. I am keen on seeing the Foundation continue its vital support for the numerous wonderful activities organized by the parish and school. I envision the Foundation expanding its reach to offer enhanced opportunities for imparting Catholic education to children in our community."



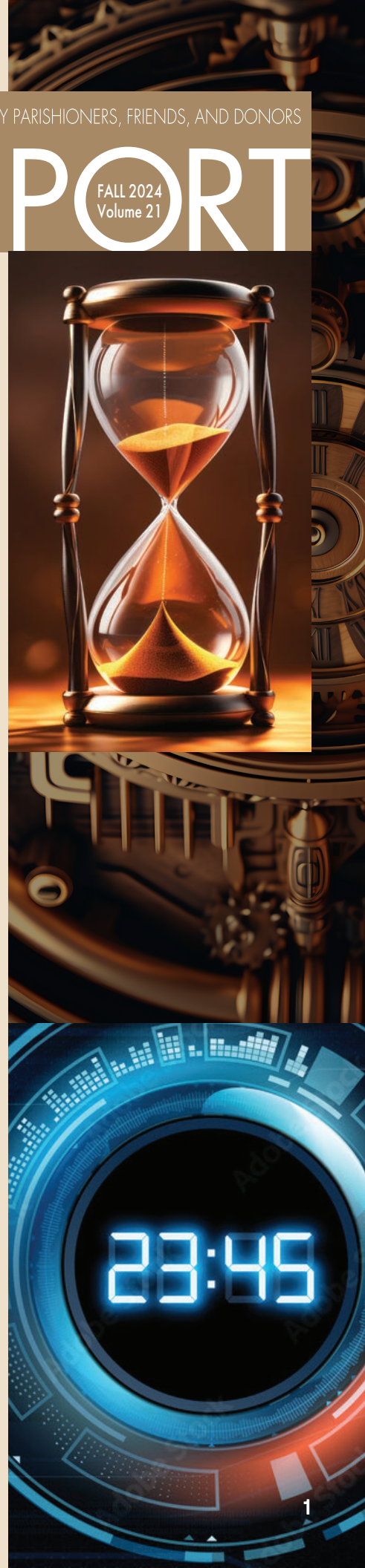
Brittany Root



Dan Sollenberger

With this in mind, Brittany hopes her experience at the school will help to guide and promote further growth of the Foundation. But her experience at the school is not the only asset Brittany brings to the Foundation Board. A graduate of Xavier University with a Bachelor of Business Administration - Finance degree, Brittany's career history includes time working as a bank examiner for the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland and as a business analyst in the finance department at FirstEnergy Corp. Brittany encourages others to see the value she sees in the Foundation. "The Foundation is a great way to support the parish and school. Your contribution will have a direct impact on our St. Hilary Catholic community," she says.

Joining Brittany as a new member of the Foundation Board is Dan Sollenberger. Since the early 1990s, Dan has been a member of the parish. He volunteered as a CYO coach during the time his four children attended St. Hilary School, and has served on both the St. Hilary School Board and the St. Hilary Parish Finance Council. "The Foundation has done a tremendous amount of good for our parish, and I want to be involved in continuing those efforts," Dan says of what intrigued him to explore serving on the Foundation Board. "My personal goal is to help create a heightened awareness of the Foundation and the great work that it supports. For many parishioners, St. Hilary provided us and our children with the foundation needed to live a great Christian life, being sensitive to the needs of others. My hope is that the Foundation becomes a part of every family's giving plan, and that we can use those treasures to expand the message and work of St. Hilary Parish."





Director's Message



"Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail." This quote by Ralph Waldo Emerson came to mind as I was reflecting on the past years of the St. Hilary Parish Foundation. In 1976, before the mere thought of computers on every desktop, especially in the church, the Board of Directors and Fr. Horning had the foresight to create the St. Hilary Parish Foundation. Upon my hiring as Development Director in October 2003, it all began with a box of records, receipts, Articles of Incorporation, and a Code of Regulations. Beginning with our first purchase, a computer, record keeping procedures for the Foundation were established. My research allowed us to procure a new database to track our donors and provide us quality accounting software for all our donor engagement.

As I began in this position 21 years ago, the Foundation held about \$1.3 million in funds. By the time my new title of Executive Director was established in July 2024, the Foundation had reached \$12 million dollars, thanks to the generosity of countless donors, including donations of over \$10,192,916 received over the past 21 years through October 31 of this year. Growing from such humble beginnings to this remarkable amount has involved hard work, meaningful communication and the combined efforts of so many, including the Foundation's Board of Directors, to ensure our funds continue to grow and support the tremendous work of the school and church. Within the current reporting year, the Foun-

dation has received donations of \$635,354 and has granted more than \$200,000 for various needs presented to our Foundation. Those have included scholarships for students, church window restoration, parish lighting, tuition assistance, and salaries and compensation for our campus minister and school educational staff.

Through the generosity of donors, in the past year, six new named funds were established, including four unrestricted funds, one St. Hilary School unrestricted fund and one specified parish fund. All of these will continue to help build and grow the Foundation's ability to help so many by supporting the endeavors of the church and school. We have also welcomed four new St. Hilary Legacy Society members this year.

The Foundation continues to grow in ways beyond its funds, as well. The people who manage the Foundation are among its greatest resources. With deep thanks for her service, we said farewell to Sandy Pianalto as a member of the Board of Directors in November 2023. In March 2024, we welcomed to the Board of Directors Brittany Root and Dan Sollenberger. You can learn more about Brittany, Dan and our entire Board of Directors on the front page of this issue. We look forward to continuing the Foundation's tradition of excellent leadership with this group at the helm.

As today's technology and tools help us to forge ahead even more rapidly than ever

before, one of our important goals is the continued growth of our unrestricted funds. Such expansion will enable the Foundation to distribute even larger amounts to meet the growing needs of both the church and the school. We are also committed to the goal of sustained enhancement of our Teacher Salary Fund through the Investing In Our Future campaign, allowing us to recruit and retain exceptional educators for our school. These goals highlight just two key areas of focus for the Foundation, among many. The Foundation continues to progress and evolve with the good of the entire parish in mind.

It is my pleasure to serve the Foundation - and you - in this role, and it has been a joy to glance back at our modest beginnings in order to appreciate the amazing opportunities we have today. I cannot help but wonder, what other wonderful things can we achieve together? I ask that you prayerfully consider a gift to one of our many funds to address a need within the St. Hilary Parish community that is important to you. With your help, those new paths we seek out will become smoother and certainly more exciting as we grow together to make a difference now, and in our church and school for years to come.

Gratefully,

Diane Sarkis

St. Hilary Parish Foundation
Executive Director

FOUNDATION CONTINUES TO GROW, THANKS TO YOU!

Through your generosity, between November 1, 2023 and October 31, 2024, the St. Hilary Parish Foundation received donations totaling \$635,353.96. These donations enable us to continue to provide vital annual support for our church and school through restricted donations designated for specific purposes, needs and/or projects, as well as unrestricted gifts directed to the areas of greatest need. We are deeply grateful for your philanthropic support of the following funds:

Unrestricted Funds	\$152,365.38
Specified Parish Funds	\$66,538.00
SHS Unrestricted Funds	\$67,529.69
Specified SHS Funds	\$312,768.89
SHS Scholarship / Tuition Assistance Funds	\$13,130.00
SHS Specified Scholarship Funds	\$23,022.00



YOUR GIFT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

We recognize that many worthwhile charitable organizations are in need of your financial support. We are especially appreciative of our donors who have chosen to direct their gifts to the St. Hilary Parish Foundation. Donor support is vital to our continued success and growth, as well as our ongoing ability to support the needs of our church and school.

As you consider your annual charitable giving, please consider making a donation to the St. Hilary Parish Foundation. Please speak with your tax advisor to determine the best method of giving for your particular circumstances.

Gift methods include:

- Cash or check
- Wire transfer
- Transfer of stock holdings or retirement plans
- Choosing the Foundation as a beneficiary of your will, trust or insurance policy

You can also specify where your gift will go. The St. Hilary Parish Foundation oversees 74 named funds. These funds include the Unrestricted Endowment Fund, the St. Hilary School Unrestricted Endowment Fund, named funds, scholarship funds, tuition assistance funds, and other designated funds. Scan the QR code for a complete list. If you would like to support any of the listed funds, or are interested in starting your own fund, please contact Diane Sarkis, Executive Director, at 330-608-4787.



Pastor's Message



Dear Parishioners and Benefactors,

Recently, I was watching a program on PBS during which there was a discussion about a community's elders and the wisdom they accumulated in a lifetime. One of the presenters mentioned an African proverb that states, "When an old man dies, a library burns to the ground!" I was so struck by this! How true! When one of our community elders passes on to the next life, many of that person's stories, experiences, relationships, and wisdom come to an end! Then I thought, how important it is, therefore, to listen to the stories of the elders and tell others these stories so we can learn at least a few books, or a few chapters from their lives, and preserve them for the next generation!

This, in many ways, is the unique mission of the St. Hilary Parish Foundation and this annual publication! The Foundation is like a library of the generosity of former parishioners who had a passion for support of the parish and school and who wanted to pass that passion and wisdom to future generations. Established nearly 50 years ago by a small group of parishioners and our founding pastor, Fr. Edward Horning, with just \$200,000, the Foundation has gone on to fund millions of dollars in projects and amenities for the church and the school, to help make St. Hilary Parish the vibrant community it is!

The first distribution from the Foundation was in 1979, to the tune of \$50,000 for the construction of school storage facilities. In the early 1980's, the Foundation helped to fund the replacement of the roof over the school Multi-Purpose Room (which was the

school gym at that time), as well as church and school roof repairs. In 1989, the Foundation gave \$200,000 for the campaign to build the Spiritual Center, where so many events in our parish life are held, and just 10 years later in 1989, the Foundation gave a \$500,000 matching grant to the capital campaign to build the "new" gym we now know as Horning Hall. Prior to that, in 1986, the Foundation gave \$450,000 to the capital fund drive that allowed for additional expansion of facilities on our campus. These significant contributions go hand-in-hand with many other items the Foundation has funded since its inception.

Over the years, many generous donors have helped the Foundation's funds to grow exponentially. Even though the Foundation has granted to the church and school over \$5.5 Million for projects including numerous roofs; building additions; scholarships; new pews; classroom, kitchen and bathroom renovations; educational staff compensation; student retreat support; parking lot replacement; campus ministry support; and so much more, the Foundation still has funds of over \$12.9 Million. This, coupled with a fiscally sound spending policy, will enable those dollars to grow and give back to the church and school for many years to come.

Foundation donors have found a place to "deposit" the books and chapters of their family history and passions through a variety of named funds that support Liturgy, music, theater, scholarships, teachers, and the general needs of the church and school that have been so significant to stories of their elders. Thus, donors are inspired by their past and, in turn, inspire the future! So can you! I invite you to share your "story" with the Foundation today, so that we can ensure that story will remain for the future benefit of St. Hilary Parish and School!

Many Blessings!

Fr Steve Brunovsky
Pastor

Legacy Giving:
The Bridge from Past to Future

Your legacy has the potential to build a bridge from the past to the future. Many of us think of our legacies as our children, or the work we do, or the way we serve others. These are all incredibly important, but we can leave our legacies in other ways, too. Think about the difference you could make through a gift to help ensure the financial stability of your parish long after you leave this earth. What an amazing tribute that would be not only to your parish, but to you! You have the opportunity of a lifetime to make that difference, leave that legacy and receive that tribute through legacy giving to the St. Hilary Parish Foundation. By planning ahead, you can play a role in sustaining St. Hilary Parish for years to come.

WHERE THERE IS A WILL, THERE IS A WAY

By including the St. Hilary Parish Foundation in your will or other estate planning, you will guarantee that your past will live on and help to secure the future of St. Hilary Church and School. Why do you need a will?

- Specify who will care for your minor children, receive your assets, and manage your estate
- Save time, money and stress for your loved ones
- Support your passions by including a charitable organization, such as the St. Hilary Parish Foundation, in your will

Contact your attorney, or visit the Legacy Society page at www.sthilaryfoundation.org to use FreeWill's free, fast self-help estate planning platform.

YOUR INSURANCE CAN BE AN ENSURANCE

By naming the St. Hilary Parish Foundation as a beneficiary of your life insurance policy, you will provide lasting financial support and may qualify for tax benefits, as well. It will not cost anything to change the beneficiary on your policy - and will do much to help strengthen St. Hilary Parish for the future. Contact your insurance agent or estate planning advisor for more information.



Through membership in the St. Hilary Legacy Society, I/we wish to shape a legacy of hope and support for future generations of our Parish.

I/we _____
are making this commitment to the St. Hilary Parish Foundation. I/we direct this gift to be utilized in the following manner:

____ Unrestricted Endowment Fund ____ Family Named Fund
____ St. Hilary School Endowment Fund ____ Other: _____

The value of my/our commitment is estimated to be \$ _____ or
A percentage of my/our estate which estimates the gift to be \$ _____.

We plan to leave this gift through:
____ will or trust; ____ life insurance;
____ charitable trust; ____ other: _____

____ I/we permit the St. Hilary Parish Foundation to recognize my/our gift in its publications.
____ I/we wish my/our gift to remain anonymous.

**This is not a binding legal document; it is merely an indication of my/our intent to assist the Foundation in fund planning.*

LET YOUR LEGACY INSPIRE OURS

You can plan now for giving that can be acted upon later. Perhaps you will choose to give back by suggesting that others make gifts to the St. Hilary Parish Foundation upon your death. These gifts will honor your legacy and help to ensure the legacy of our Catholic faith.

REDUCE YOUR TAXES
AND SUPPORT ST. HILARY

If you are 70-½ or older, you may be able to make a gift of a qualified charitable distribution from your IRA that will reduce your taxable income and help the St. Hilary Parish Foundation support our parish and school. Talk to your financial / legal advisors and IRA administrator for more information.

CALLED TO LEAVE A LEGACY

As stewards of God's gifts, we are called to accept His blessings with gratitude, to cherish and care for them, to share them with others, and to return them, with increase, to God. When you create an estate plan that includes a legacy gift to the St. Hilary Parish Foundation, you answer this call. Naming the St. Hilary Parish Foundation as a beneficiary of your will, life insurance policy or retirement account, making a gift from your IRA, or encouraging gifts in your memory upon your passing, will help build a bridge from your past to foster the stability of the St. Hilary Parish community well into the future. Such giving will also earn you a place in the St. Hilary Parish Foundation Legacy Society. If you are considering legacy giving, please contact Diane Sarkis, Executive Director, at 330-608-4787 for assistance with your decision.



Legacy Society
Recognizes Planned Giving

The St. Hilary Parish Foundation can help you share blessings that will build 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. Donors who make gifts through their estates have the opportunity to be recognized as Legacy Society members by having their names inscribed on a plaque that hangs near the parish office. Donors may also opt to remain anonymous if they so choose. Either way, these donors help to ensure the long-term financial stability of St. Hilary Church and School.

Since the Legacy Society began in November 2003, bequests totaling more than \$3,396,991.00 have been received from or in memory of the following donors, as well as some who prefer to remain anonymous: John A. Bader, Margaret Banker, Ralph L. Bernard, Sr., Olive and Joseph Cairns, Mary Jean Carroll, Edward L. Cope, Dorothy D'Andrea, Helen and Richard Eichner, Gordon Ewers*, Delores A. Falcone*, Joanne Harm, Jean Hauser, Larry Kern, Maryann May, Mary Metz, Virginia Pientowski, Antoinette Ruminski, and Eugene Wilde.

These gifts would never have been made to the Foundation had the individuals behind them not had the foresight to plan for them. Just as the Legacy Society members who have passed away have planned to help inspire the future, your gift, or a donation in your memory, can make a difference, too.

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 the St. Hilary Legacy Society. If you are considering one of these lifelong legacy options, please contact Diane Sarkis, Executive Director, at 330-608-4787 for help with your decision.

**New Legacy Society Membership as of 2024*

Inspiring the Future
of our Church and School

A bit of advance planning today can enable you to help inspire the future of St. Hilary Church and School for years to come. There are many options for such planned giving. You might name the St. Hilary Parish Foundation as a beneficiary of your will, life insurance policy or retirement account. You might choose to give back by suggesting that others make gifts to the Foundation in your memory upon your death. Or, you might make a personal contribution to the Foundation to help foster the ongoing vitality of St. Hilary Parish. All of these gifts can help to build and sustain our Foundation.

By including the St. Hilary Parish Foundation in your estate planning, you will guarantee that your past will inspire and help to secure the future of St. Hilary Church and School. Any of the many vehicles for planned giving will foster gifts that can help to ensure the ongoing financial stability of the St. Hilary Parish community. To learn more about options for planned giving, please contact Diane Sarkis, Executive Director, at 330-608-4787.

Memorial and
Tribute Gifts:
Inspired by the Past
and Inspiring the Future

Each gift inspired by and giving honor to a past life well lived can add to our Foundation, bolstering its ability to serve the St. Hilary community and to inspire the future. Since November 1, 2023, gifts totaling \$75,402.70 have been made in memory of the following individuals whose obituaries mentioned the St. Hilary Parish Foundation or who were generously honored with memorial donations to the Foundation:

James Aldrich	Jimmy Lyons
Jean C. Brooks	Frank Mellion
Mary Jean Carroll	Louis & Helen
Janet M. DasVarma	Mellion
Gordon Ewers	John Mostoller
Delores A. Falcone	Kevin Neff
Jack & Eileen Fisher	Ingrid Palmiero-
Patricia Gerber	Massel
Dorothy Griffith	Raymond Pikna
Betty Hearty	Janet Rocco
Fr. Thomas Koegel	Franklin Roy Smith
Mary Koetter	Dan Unk

In addition to memorializing those who have gone before us with a gift to the Foundation, such a gift can also be a meaningful tribute to an individual during his or her lifetime. This type of gift can be a wonderful way to commemorate a special event or milestone, to honor an individual, or to present a symbolic gift to those whose blessings are ample. Gifts totaling \$11,400.00 in honor of the following individuals have been made to the Foundation since November 1, 2023:

SHS Class of 1979
William & Connor Crane
Mr. & Mrs. Joe Tartabini, Jr.
St. Hilary School Teachers

Investing In Our Future Campaign Inspired by Educators' Dedication

Sixty-four years ago, St. Hilary School was established as the first ministry of St. Hilary Parish. The school's teachers and educational staff not only train minds, they shape hearts and transform lives for Jesus Christ. With the Catholic faith as their guide, they go far beyond being dedicated to their profession, nurturing students and building character by modeling love, kindness and compassion. Yet, these treasured employees have not always been compensated to a level reflective of their value.

It has long been a goal to pay the St. Hilary School faculty and staff a wage that equals approximately 80% of that earned by their counterparts working in the Copley-Fairlawn School District. Over time, however, the gap between that benchmark and the actual wages paid has widened. A commitment was made to increase the pay of St. Hilary School faculty and staff incrementally from 2023 to 2025 to bring it in line with the 80% of Copley-Fairlawn School District wage benchmark. Because continued increases will not be sustainable without the funding to back them, a campaign was begun in the spring of 2023 to help ensure that salaries for St. Hilary School teachers and educational staff will continue to remain competitive into the future. Investing In Our Future: A Campaign To Support Our Educators, kicked off with a \$3,000,000 goal and "Raise the Paddle" appeal at the school's annual Celebration event in March 2023, which is the school Parents' Association's largest fundraiser. Since then, special events have been held, donations have continued to come in and interest has accrued, with funds currently totaling over \$574,458 in the Teacher Salary Fund held by the St. Hilary Parish Foundation, for the purpose of supporting St. Hilary School teachers and educational staff.



Fundraisers will continue to support this campaign, with both 50% of the school's proceeds from the annual We Give Catholic Giving Tuesday campaign and an annual "Raise the Paddle" appeal at the school's Celebration fundraiser promised to the cause. A committee to support the campaign is also hard at work planning additional smaller fundraising events, such as Father-Daughter Dances, Mother-Son Game Nights, and a Ladies' Night Out Purse Bingo event. Follow the committee's happenings on Instagram.

Private donors are invited to contribute at any time to ensure that St. Hilary School is able to sustain its mission through the hands and hearts of its teachers and educational staff. Why wait for the next fundraiser when you can make a difference right now? Simply scan the code or Venmo @StHilary-Parish and be sure to note "Teacher Salary Fund", or contact St. Hilary Parish Foundation Executive Director Diane Sarkis at 330-608-4787 or St. Hilary School Special Campaigns Coordinator Brianne Alaburda at balaburda@st-hilary.org to learn more or donate.



Dads and daughters enjoy a special night out together at the Father-Daughter Dance.



The Mother-Son Game Night featured a Browns watch party, inflatables, food, and fun.

Inspiring the Future Through Support Today

Since November 1, 2023, the St. Hilary Parish Foundation has underwritten a slate of expenses to help keep the church moving forward. The most notable project was one which most people may not be aware of: cleaning of the church pipe organ, at a cost of \$28,040. Due to the intricacy of the pipe organ, cleaning is an exacting art that is also costly, and the Foundation was pleased to assist with this vital aspect of our worship services. Also of importance were four other projects to enhance the St. Hilary worship space and Spiritual Center: the installation of new LED lighting in the church and some peripheral areas for \$26,135, restoration of all the stained glass windows in the church for \$20,610, replacement of the HVAC control mechanism for the Spiritual Center meeting rooms for \$19,275, and the replacement of church stair treads and choir risers for \$8,886. It is only through ongoing maintenance such as this that our beautiful worship and gathering spaces can continue to remain vibrant for years to come.

In 2022, a campus minister position was created and Mrs. Trisha Hoffmann was hired to fill that role. Funding for the position continued this year, at \$25,000. The campus minister works closely with the pastor, the school principal and the parish religious education office to create and support curriculum, activities and initiatives related to the faith formation of the children of the parish and school. The campus minister is instrumental in instructing Theology of the Body curriculum and implementing new Diocesan Virtus curriculum requirements for students, as well as planning the Faith and Science, Leadership, and Confirmation retreats held at the Damascus Catholic Mission Campus. The Foundation also provided funding again this year for busing as well as student hardship and staff costs for Damascus retreats, at \$16,719.

Several smaller items were also funded by the Foundation in the past year. A Holy Trinity icon was installed on the west wall of the church at a cost of \$6,655 and granite countertops and new sinks were installed in both the



The Foundation's largest grant in 2024 covered the meticulous work of cleaning the church pipe organ.



Stained glass windows were restored through a grant from the Foundation.



The Foundation underwrote the installation of new LED lighting for better energy efficiency and visibility.



Foundation funds were used to purchase this Holy Trinity icon that graces the west wall of the church.

priest sacristy and working sacristy at a cost of \$5,471. The Laetare Sunday Concert was funded at \$1,223, a Eucharistic Book to be given to parishioners at Christmas was underwritten at \$1,000, and a grant was made toward educational expenses for our St. Hilary seminarian, Deacon James Parisi, at \$138.

You can help inspire the future and ensure that important projects and programs such as this continue to be underwritten through the St. Hilary Parish Foundation. Please contact Executive Director Diane Sarkis at 330-608-4787 to learn more about how your gift can make a difference today and for years to come.

Inspired by the Past, Inspiring the Future

Professionally, Dan has always worked in banking and capital markets, and spent many years at KeyBank before joining BlackRock’s financial advisory team in 2014. He currently works at Ernst & Young as a consultant serving many of the large regional banks headquartered in the Midwest. Dan is excited to bring what he has learned working with large financial institutions for the betterment of the Foundation, and is especially interested in exploring how the Foundation can expand its reach in light of the changing demographics of the parish. He would like to see the Foundation double in size and have an even bigger impact on the St. Hilary community. “For many of us, St. Hilary is our spiritual home and family. We need to consider how we can be more impactful,” Dan notes.

Brittany and Dan join a team of long-standing Foundation Board members, all of whom are pictured on the back of this report.

LONG-STANDING EXPERIENCE SERVES FOUNDATION WELL

Steve Strayer, current President of the Foundation Board, was elected to membership in 2004. His broad experience in nonprofit leadership and institutional investments made him a natural fit for the Board. He observes, “When I first joined the board, the Foundation was relatively small and focused on growing. Today the Foundation is sizable, and in addition to growing, we are actively engaged in finding ways to put our funds to work in the best ways to benefit the church and school.”

Steve is especially proud of the funding the Foundation has provided for many capital projects that make our parish a safe and welcoming campus, as well as the support the Foundation has been able to give to the school’s teachers. He adds, “I would like to see the Foundation be in a position to support the school in providing all students an affordable Catholic education.” Steve hopes through his service and leadership, the Foundation will be able to continue to increase its impact on the church and school. He emphasizes, “The St. Hilary Parish Foundation has had a meaningful impact on our church and school from which we all have benefited, and it is up to all of us who care about our parish to

help the Foundation thrive for those who will follow us in the future.”

Also elected to board membership in 2004 was Steve Hammersmith, currently serving as the Foundation Board’s Vice President and Secretary. Steve has drawn upon his background as an attorney in his service to the board. He notes, “Through the efforts of [Executive Director] Diane Sarkis, the total Foundation assets and the number of individual funds within the Foundation have grown significantly since 2004. As a result, the frequency and amount of distributions to the parish (both the church and the school) have grown and become an integral part of the success of the parish.”

Notable for Steve during his tenure are the ongoing large projects the Foundation has underwritten. He states, “The Foundation has supported the unglamorous but critical capital projects—like new roofs and resurfacing parking lots—that are expensive and come up regularly. These projects would require special parish fundraising but for the support of the Foundation.” Because of what the Foundation has achieved, and what he hopes it will yet accomplish, Steve feels it is important to continue to serve. “I would like to continue to raise the visibility of the Foundation and its role within the parish. Having endowment funds to support the parish is an integral part of maintaining a vibrant parish. As an example, I think the long-term survival of affordable Catholic schools will require significant endowment funds. Catholic schools serve an important role not only to teach the faith to our kids but to re-engage young adult parents who have not been active Catholics,” he explains. “I am a fan of ‘paying it forward’. The St. Hilary Parish Foundation is an excellent opportunity for parishioners to do that for our parish.”

STEEPED IN HISTORY, FOUNDATION’S WORK CONTINUES

Elected to the board in 2005, Matt Shannon currently serves as the Treasurer of the Foundation Board. His position on the board is befitting his background in the financial industry. After 19 years on the board, Matt notes that the board has changed a bit over the years. Matt shares his opinion that “the Foundation is still led by great people and a solid mission, but is much more organized and focused than it was when it began.” In Matt’s eyes, a hallmark of the Foundation’s work at

St. Hilary Parish is contributing to a church and school that are thriving when many others are not. Matt sees that as a key success of the Foundation over the years. But while the Foundation has already underpinned much of the success of the church and school, Matt believes it can do more and a goal to amass \$20 Million in total assets is within reach. “Our work is not done!” he says. “Let’s continue to make our church, school and world a better place!”

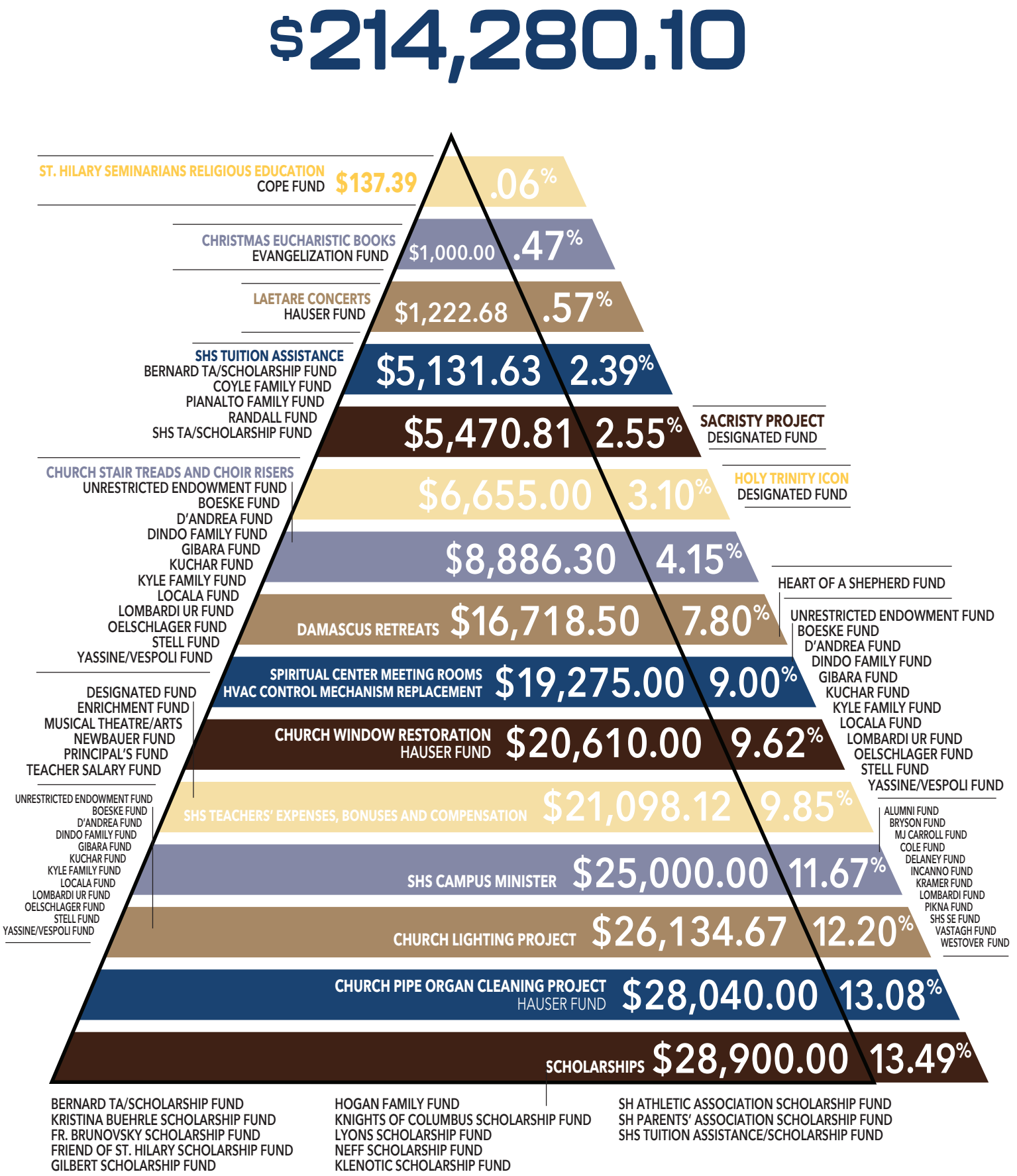
The longest-serving current member of the Foundation Board is Kitty Dindo, who joined the original founding Foundation Board members in 1992. “I bring to the table the history of the Foundation and its intent from the very beginning. With our diverse group of Directors, remembering why this Foundation was founded in the first place continues to be significant,” Kitty says. “In many ways, the intent is the same today as in the beginning,” she says, which is “to support St. Hilary Parish and School in ways beyond normal operating costs.” Kitty notes that when she joined the Foundation Board, only one fund existed, while today there are 74.

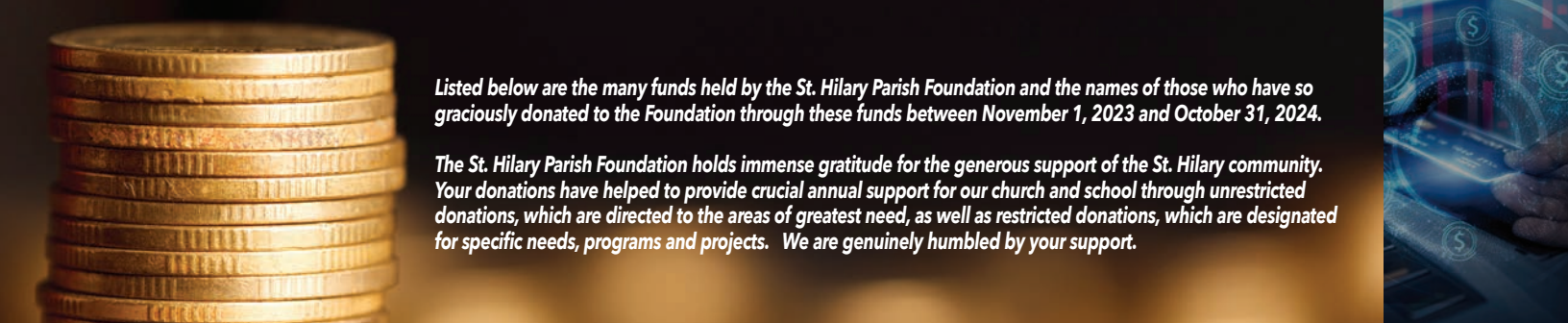
Besides being the historian of the group, Kitty brings to the board her financial expertise as a former partner at Ernst & Young. She is also a past chair and current member of the Foundation’s Investment Committee. Kitty notes that “the Foundation has grown beyond the vision of the founders because of all of our parishioners.” Speaking directly to those parishioners, she adds, “I hope it continues to be a place where you feel confident in fulfilling your philanthropic desires toward the parish in a professionally managed and independent foundation with strong leadership you can trust. The Foundation helps to make St. Hilary Parish the vibrant parish it is today and will continue to be in the future, with your help.”

Rounding out the leadership of the St. Hilary Parish Foundation are Fr. Steve Brunovsky, who joined board membership in 2007 when he became Pastor of St. Hilary Parish, and Diane Sarkis, who served as the Foundation’s Development Director since 2003 and was named its Executive Director in July 2024. Together, this dynamic group of professionals has the passion, knowledge and vision to build on the strengths of the past for an even stronger future. To learn more, please contact Diane Sarkis, Executive Director, at 330-608-4787.

Distributions by Item

THROUGH YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY THE ST. HILARY PARISH FOUNDATION WAS ABLE TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING DISTRIBUTIONS FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2023 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2024:





Listed below are the many funds held by the St. Hilary Parish Foundation and the names of those who have so graciously donated to the Foundation through these funds between November 1, 2023 and October 31, 2024.

The St. Hilary Parish Foundation holds immense gratitude for the generous support of the St. Hilary community. Your donations have helped to provide crucial annual support for our church and school through unrestricted donations, which are directed to the areas of greatest need, as well as restricted donations, which are designated for specific needs, programs and projects. We are genuinely humbled by your support.

Donors

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS:

UNRESTRICTED ENDOWMENT FUND

Anonymous
Beth & John Ashe
Tom & Mary Augustin
Robert Benzinger
Mary Chansler
Harry & Marie Covington
James & Yvonne Dietrich
Steven & Susan Floyd
Dale & Peggy Garrison
Karen Hatch
Tony & Angela Hayek
Jeanmaire Family Fund
Stephen Klimczak
Richard & Christine Kramer Family Foundation
James & Dorothy Lambright
Caroline Long
Steven Lux
Sam Lyon
Dr. Joseph & Dianne Mellion
Oscar & Judy Mifsud
Tim and Debbie Miller
Chris & Virginia Olson
Paul & Rosie Orchosky
Toni Paolucci
Mick & Janet Pera
Jim & Barbara Petruccio
Ed & Mary Pallekins
Robert & Ethel Saringer
George & Diane Sarkis
Bill & Pat Schnee
Steve & Barb Strayer
Joe & Kathy Tartabini
Ben & Emma Wartko
George Zembar

BEQUEST
In Memory of Gordon Ewers
The Estate of Gordon Ewers

MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of James Aldrich
Dr. Joseph & Dianne Mellion
In Memory of Jack & Eileen Fisher
Dr. Joseph & Dianne Mellion
In Memory of Dorothy Griffith
Mike & Debi Coudriet
In Memory of Betty Hearty
Stacey Hearty
In Memory of Fr. Thomas Koegel
Ray & Joyce Cunningham
In Memory of Mary Koetter
David & Molly Scantling
In Memory of Frank Mellion
Dr. Joseph & Dianne Mellion

In Memory of Louis & Helen Mellion
Dr. Joseph & Dianne Mellion
In Memory of Patricia Gerber
Shelia Benson
Paul Galley
Mary Ellen Jank Kopydlowski
Magni-Power Company
Dan, Ginger, Ashley & Alexia Marchetta
Tom & Nancy Peltier
In Memory of John Mostoller
Michael Burns
In Memory of Ingrid Palmiero-Massel
The Colonna Family
In Memory of Janet Rocco
Joseph Rocco
In Memory of Virginia Scanlon
The Ladies Bridge Group:
Sophia George
Ann Jonas
Mary Ann Kyle
Toni Paolucci
Carol Yassine
Joan Wojcik
In Memory of Dan Unk
Dr. Joseph & Dianne Mellion

ANDY & JACKIE BETTICK FUND

Andy Bettick

JOSEPHA BOESKE FUND

Josepha Boeske

DOROTHY L. D'ANDREA FUND

DINDO FAMILY FUND

Kitty Dindo

DELORES A. FALCONE FUND

BEQUEST
In Memory of Delores A. Falcone
The Estate of Delores A. Falcone

SALMA & SAM GIBARA FUND

Sam & Salma Gibara

NICHOLAS EDWARD KUCHAR FUND

KYLE FAMILY FUND
MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of Virginia Scanlon
Mary Ann Kyle

FREDERICK M. & MARGARET J. LOMBARDI FAMILY FUND
Frederick & Margaret Lombardi
MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of Virginia Scanlon
Fred and Peggy Lombardi

MARK AND TINA OELSCHLAGER FUND

ROOT FAMILY FUND

Doug & Diane Root

MATTHEW AND SUSAN SHANNON FAMILY FUND
Matt & Sue Shannon

JULIA & ROBERT STELL FUND

DR. ZOUHAIR & CAROL YASSINE/ TONY & LEILA VESPOLI FUND
Carol Yassine
MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of Virginia Scanlon
Carol Yassine

ST. HILARY SCHOOL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS:

SHS UNRESTRICTED FUND
Joe & Karen Congeni
Joyce Davis
Steve & Cathy Hammersmith
Todd & Kelly Kennedy
Richard & Christine Kramer Family Foundation
Michael & Catherine Leonakis
Kevin H. Newton & Mary E. Lawless
Ed & Christine Parisi
Joe & Nicole Redle
Thomas Schmitt, Jr.
John & Ellen Vollman

ALUMNI FUND
TRIBUTE GIFT
In Honor of SHS Class of '79
Pete & Maggie Reagan

BRYSON FAMILY FUND

CLASSIC SABERS 50+ FUND

Classic Sabers 50+

MARY JEAN CARROLL FUND
MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of Mary Jean Carroll
Walter & Teresa McGee
George & Diane Sarkis

TERESA ANN COLE FUND

DELANEY FAMILY FUND
J.P. & Judie Delaney
DONNA MARIE INCANNO FUND

JOHN D. & JOAN M. KRAMER FUND
Joan Kramer

FREDERICK M. & MARGARET J. LOMBARDI FAMILY FUND
Frederick & Margaret Lombardi

RAYMOND J. & PEGGY J. PIKNA FAMILY FUND
MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of Raymond Pikna
Peggy Pikna

VASTAGH FAMILY FUND

WESTOVER FAMILY FUND

SPECIFIED PARISH FUNDS:

MARY & CHARLIE BOOTH COMMUNITY OUTREACH FUND
MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of Fr. Thomas Koegel
Ray & Joyce Cunningham

CHOIR FUND
MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of Patricia Gerber
Nancy & Christopher Hearty
In Memory of Ingrid Palmiero-Massel
Barb Toth

DESIGNATED FUND
Jody Boeske
MEMORIAL GIFT
In Honor of Fr. Thomas Koegel
Ray & Joyce Cunningham
TRIBUTE GIFT
In Honor of SHS Teachers
Anonymous

EVANGELIZATION FUND

MATTHEW & DENISE FRESH FUND
Matthew & Denise Fresh
Anna Fana
MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of Patricia Gerber
St. Hilary Contemporary Choir
In Memory of Franklin Roy Smith
Kathleen Considine
Matthew & Denise Fresh
Michael & Judith Jansen
Ted & Ellen Kannen
Ron & Marilynn McCoy
Tom & Terri Pasadyn
George & Diane Sarkis
Tim & Elaine Sisler

JAMES & GAIL GILTNER FAMILY FUND

JEAN & JOSEPH HAUSER FUND

HEART OF A SHEPHERD FUND

St. Hilary Parish

HERBERT FAMILY FUND

Ricky E. & Kathryn A. Herbert

HUMMEL FAMILY FUND
Paul & Patricia Hummel
Eddie & Bridget Hummel Chevalier
Joseph & Krissy Hummel Murray

LEHNER FAMILY FOUNDATION
ST. HILARY DEVELOPMENT FUND
Lehner Family Foundation

JOSEPH & CYNTHIEA LOCALA FUND

MARYANN MAY ADULT EDUCATION FUND

PSR FUND
Frank P. & Marie L. Bevilacqua Foundation
Edward & Jennifer Kuchar
Marty Parianos
MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of Fr. Thomas Koegel
Ray & Joyce Cunningham

ST. HILARY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION GENERAL FUND

ST. HILARY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GENERAL FUND

ST. HILARY PARISH DESIGNATED FUND
Anonymous

SPECIFIED ST. HILARY SCHOOL FUNDS

BUEHRLE FAMILY FUND

ENRICHMENT FUND

KAY & BOB HUDAK FUND

RHONDA NEWBAUER FAMILY FUND

MUSICAL THEATRE/ARTS FUND
SHS Musical

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION FUND

PRINCIPAL'S FUND

ST. HILARY PARENTS' TEACHER SALARY FUND
Anonymous
Justin & Brianne Alaburda
Nick & Darcy Alexander
Tony & Becky† Alexander
Joe & Lisa Allio
Mike Andes & Lisa Shaheen
Philip & Laura Angelo
Beth Ashe
John & Andrea Babjack
Julie Bauman
Michael & Mary Anne Beiting
Tony & Crystal Beiting
Tim & Meghan Beringer

Fr. Steve Brunovsky
Lynne Callahan
Jason & Kristin Callard
Matthew & Rose Carducci
Blake & Yara Castaldo
Mike & Stephanie Childress
Diane Chopko
Tom & Judy Ciccolini
Jason & Sara Clancy
Michael & Susan Conley
Kevin & Laura Crucs
Tom & Kathy DeMinico
Matt & Jasmin Denholm
Gary & Rhonda Didado Family Foundation
Eric & Angela Dublikar
Sam & Lynn Falletta
Father-Daughter Dance - SHS
Mark & Amanda Feierabend
David & Rebecca Forrer
Elizabeth Gambone
Tony & Angela Hayek
Nate & Melissa Heckman
Mark & Marisa Hoffmann
Bradley & Carly Inkrott
Tony & Renee Iovine
Joe & Julie Jamison
Jeanmaire Family Fund
David & Rebecca Kistler
Derek & Erin Klaus
Dale† & Peggy Koblenzer
Richard & Christine Kramer Family Foundation
Lucas & Sarah Krammes
Matt Krenz
Justin & Melanie Kurzwel
Michael & Catherine Leonakis
Chad & Briana Longstreth
Kurt & Lisa Lutz
Tom & Maria Manera
Kevin & Michele McGrath
Anthony & Shannon McKeen
Zachary & Keira Mellion
Modern Vitality
Mother-Son Game Night - SHS
Mark & Stephanie Norton
Mark & Tina Oelschlager
Pat & Sarah O'Neill
Ray & Mary O'Neill
Harrison & Katie Orendorf
Marty Parianos
Mick & Janet Pera
Angelo & Maria Petitti
Jeff & Victoria Price
Rochele Prudic
Chris & Tara Reuscher
David & Brittany Root
Dominic & Monica Ruby
Mark & Deb Ruby
Mark & Katie Ruby
Christopher & Laura Rucker
St. Hilary Parents' Association
Matthew & Andrea Salmon
Muhannad & Cassie Samaan
AJ & Liz Sands
George & Diane Sarkis
Daniel & Christine Sayre
John Scanlon & Catherine Breck
Thomas Schmitt, Jr.
Ryan & Eileen Simcox
Vito & Debbie Sinopoli
Brock & Courtney Kase Steere

Jesse & Lisa Stewart
Michael & Melissa Swiatkowski
Jena Tartabini
James & Rachel Terranova
Tom & Jen Towell
Jon & Elizabeth Trecek
David & Julie Trende
Zak & Beata Trzebuckowski
Ed & LuAnne Toth
Al & Mary Ann Ulle
Ryan & Emily Urchek
Doug & Jeannie Varian
David & Jill Warner
Ben & Emma Wartko
We Give Catholic Campaign - SHS
Rob & Catherine Williamson
TJ & Michelle Wolski
Jonathan & Jennifer Woodman
Brad & Joanna Yant
Reid & Lindsey Yoder
Scott & Shelby Zackaroff

TRIBUTE GIFT
In Honor of William & Connor Crane
Don & Laura Williamson
In Honor of Mr. & Mrs. Joe Tartabini, Jr.
Corrinne L. Doder
Foundation For Arts & Sciences

GUY SCARPITTI MUSIC EDUCATION FUND

SHS SCHOLARSHIP/TUITION ASSISTANCE FUNDS

RALPH & FLORENCE BERNARD SCHOLARSHIP FUND

COYLE FAMILY TUITION ASSISTANCE FUND
G.F. & Cheryl J. Coyle

PIANALTO FAMILY FUND

Sandy Pianalto

JOHN & JULIE RANDALL FUND

TUITION ASSISTANCE/ SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Anonymous
Frank P. & Marie L. Bevilacqua Foundation
Richard & Janet McGuckin
MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of Jean C. Brooks
Judi Roman†

SPECIFIED SHS SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

KRISTINA N. BUEHRLE TUITION SCHOLARSHIP FUND

REV. STEVEN K. BRUNOVSKY CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP FUND
Richard & Christine Kramer Family Foundation
Fr. Steven Brunovsky
George & Diane Sarkis
Dan Sollenberger

Cathleen Soprano
Gregg & Janet Zolton

FRIEND OF ST. HILARY FUND

John & Ellen Vollman

EDWARD L. GILBERT FAMILY FUND

HOGAN FAMILY FUND
Dennis Hogan
MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of Ingrid Palmiero-Massel
Dr. & Mrs. James Hogan

KEVIN THOMAS NEFF FUND

MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of Kevin Neff
KTN Volleyball Tournament
Rebecca Braken-Marley & Robert Marley
George & Diane Sarkis
Gregg & Janet Zolton

JANE KLENOTIC FUND

JIMMY LYONS GEOGRAPHY BEE FUND
MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of Jimmy Lyons
Diane Chopko
Richard & Christine Kramer Family Foundation
Jim & Mary Lyons
George & Diane Sarkis

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND
St. Hilary Parents' Association

ST. HILARY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND
St. Hilary Athletic Association

ST. HILARY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP FUND
St. Hilary Knights of Columbus Council 14551

SHS TECHNOLOGY FUNDS

LOUIS & LINDA BOLOGNA FUND

ROBERT & CAROL SCHLABIG FUND
MEMORIAL GIFT
In Memory of Janet DasVarma
Karyn Pumphrey

TECHNOLOGY FUND

Jon & Elizabeth Trecek

† Deceased

IN GRATITUDE

The Foundation is incredibly grateful to the following for their invaluable contributions to this annual report: The Lehner Family Foundation, underwriter; Debbie Sinopoli, writer/editor/ photographer; Jen Sorrent, designer; and Carol Malick, photographer.

Foundation Support of School Forges New Paths for Students and Staff

Through the generosity of donors, the St. Hilary Parish Foundation has been able to provide ongoing support to St. Hilary School. With no capital projects to fund for the school in the past year, Foundation support directly benefited students and staff. In its 64th year, the school is thriving with a growing enrollment and expanding staff, many new opportunities to help keep tuition affordable for its large student body of more than 600, and initiatives to help keep salaries and compensation competitive for an educational staff of close to 100.

MAKING TUITION AFFORDABLE THROUGH SCHOLARSHIPS AND ASSISTANCE

In addition to the new EdChoice Scholarship and Angel Scholarship funding available to families, scholarships and tuition assistance through the St. Hilary Parish Foundation remain an important tool in the toolbox enabling students to enjoy the benefits of a Catholic education at St. Hilary School without breaking the bank. The additional funds often mean the difference between being able to continue a St. Hilary School education and needing to look for another option.

In 2024, to ensure that a St. Hilary School education is affordable for all students, \$5,132 in tuition assistance was awarded for those with hardship situations. On a larger scale, since its inception in December 2015 for the 2016-2017 school year, the Foundation's vast scholarship initiative has awarded 156 scholarships totaling \$258,280. Twenty of these scholarships, totaling \$28,900, were awarded in 2024. These scholarships provide funds to students who are selected based on meeting the criteria established by the scholarship donors. They include the Friend of St. Hilary Scholarship, the Mother Teresa Scholarship, the Sr. Carol Joy Scholarship, the St. Aloysius Scholarship, the St. Hilary R.E.D. Scholarship, the Striving Saber Scholarship, the Ralph and Florence Bernard Scholarship, the Rev. Steven Brunovsky Catholic Leadership Scholarship, the Edward L. Gilbert Family Scholarship, and the St. Hilary Parish Foundation Tuition Assistance Scholarship. Due to the need-based nature of many of the scholarships, the names of the recipients are not published in order to protect their privacy. When 2025-2026 enrollment begins in January, the Foundation anticipates offering about 18 scholarships totaling more than \$30,000 for which students returning to the school in 2025-2026 may apply.

MEMORIAL AND TRIBUTE SCHOLARSHIPS OFFER SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Some of the scholarships granted by the St. Hilary Parish Foundation do not require students to apply, but are awarded simply because the recipients are recognized as bearing qualities reminiscent of the individuals the scholarships honor, or because they embody ideals the scholarships promote.

One such scholarship is the Kevin Thomas Neff Scholarship. The scholarship, which honors 2000 St. Hilary School graduate Kevin Neff, who died of a brain tumor while in high school, annually provides a scholarship to a seventh grader who exemplifies the characteristics Kevin aspired to during his life. In the 2023-2024 school year, the \$1,600 scholarship was awarded to Emily Alaburda.



Emily Alaburda was the recipient of the 2024 Kevin Thomas Neff Scholarship.

The Jane Klenotic Scholarship is another memorial scholarship, honoring long-time St. Hilary School second grade teacher Jane Klenotic, who lost her battle with cancer in 2014. It annually awards a \$1,000 scholarship to a second grader who has the attributes of spiritual, academic and personal character that were important to Jane. The scholarship was awarded to Mia Walter in the 2023-2024 school year.



The 2024 Jane Klenotic Scholarship was awarded to Mia Walter.

Begun in memory of St. Hilary School 2006 graduate Jimmy Lyons, the Jimmy Lyons Geography Bee Scholarship Fund honors the four-time winner of the school's geography bee and state bee competitor, who passed away in 2011. This \$500 scholarship is awarded to the winner of the school's geography bee each year. The scholarship was most recently



Grant Peiffer won the 2024 geography bee and received the Jimmy Lyons Scholarship.

awarded to Grant Peiffer, who won the school's geography bee in spring 2024.

Finally, the Foundation provides \$500 St. Hilary Athletic Association scholarships each year to St. Hilary School eighth grade student athletes who qualify based on athletics, academics, and character. The scholarships are applied to the recipients' high school tuition. Typically, two of these scholarships are awarded annually, but in May 2024, scholarships were awarded to Hadley Franjesh, Christopher Lee and Oliver Nonno.

SUPPORTING GREATEST NEED BY COMPENSATING STAFF

With an educational staff of close to 100, the school's single greatest financial need is ensuring that its educators are compensated at a competitive level, in order to continue to recruit and retain top talent to serve its students. In the past year, the Foundation provided \$21,098 to support this effort, including Christmas bonuses, reimbursed expenses for classroom supplies and other items, and, for the first time in the school's 64-year history, small stipends for staff leading extracurricular clubs. Much work remains to be done on this front. Please see page 6 of this report to learn more about the Investing In Our Future campaign to support the school's educators.

DONORS ARE KEY TO FUTURE

Funding to support St. Hilary School students and staff is possible only through the generosity of the donors who contribute to the St. Hilary Parish Foundation. Mindful of growing and ongoing needs, the Foundation must work to maintain its resources at levels that will allow it to continue to meet financial demands and safeguard the future. Without your valued support of the Foundation, our school and our parish would not be able to provide the many features from which our St. Hilary community benefits. To explore opportunities to support the St. Hilary Parish Foundation and the community it serves, please contact St. Hilary Parish Foundation Executive Director Diane Sarkis at 330-608-4787.

Grant Distributions From 2020 to 2024

Listed here are the grants the St. Hilary Parish Foundation has provided to support the church and school over the past five years. Your generosity is what enables the Foundation to fund such things as capital improvements to our buildings and grounds, scholarships and tuition assistance for students, and much more. We are grateful for your support, without which none of these grants would have been possible.

2020	
Spiritual Center Remodel	66,300.00
SHS Chromebooks and Covers	60,368.83
SHS Tuition Freeze	58,690.00
SHS Tuition Assistance	44,068.76
Church Choir Chairs	22,178.20
Spiritual Center Folding Partitions	21,875.00
SHS Kindergarten & 1st Grade Fees	17,700.00
Evangelization	12,400.07
St. Hilary Parents' Association Scholarships	10,000.00
Friend of St. Hilary Scholarships	6,000.00
Teacher/Staff Christmas Bonuses	5,192.00
Ralph L. and Florence A. Bernard Scholarships	4,000.00
SHPF Tuition Assistance Scholarships	4,000.00
Spiritual Center Ice Maker	2,499.00
Spiritual Center Tables	2,275.70
SHS Kitchen Warming Oven	1,575.20
SHS Latchkey Assistance	1,522.50
Kevin Neff Scholarship	1,400.00
Rev. Steven K. Brunovsky	
Catholic Leadership Scholarship	1,000.00
Jane Klenotic Scholarship	1,000.00
Knights of Columbus Scholarships	1,000.00
St. Hilary Athletic Association Scholarships	1,000.00
Edward L. Gilbert Family Scholarship	600.00
Jimmy Lyons Scholarship	500.00
Rosaries	403.56
TOTAL	\$ 347,549.17
2021	
SHS Entryway and Office Renovations	140,000.00
Church Pews (Deposit)	73,759.50
Rectory Window Replacement	15,371.00
Evangelization	12,546.16
St. Hilary Parents' Association Scholarships	10,000.00
SHS Tuition Assistance	7,287.91
Religious Vocations Tuition Assistance	7,000.00
Reposition Chapel A/C Replacement	6,983.95
Spiritual Center Stained Glass Window Installation	6,250.00
Friend of St. Hilary Scholarships	6,000.00
SHS Faculty Bonuses	5,260.08
Ralph L. and Florence A. Bernard Scholarships	4,000.00
SHPF Tuition Assistance Scholarships	4,000.00
SHS Intervention Office Equipment	3,453.77
Kevin Neff Scholarship	1,400.00
Rev. Steven K. Brunovsky	
Catholic Leadership Scholarship	1,000.00
Knights of Columbus Scholarships	1,000.00
St. Hilary Athletic Association Scholarships	1,000.00
Edward L. Gilbert Family Scholarship	600.00
TOTAL	\$ 306,912.37

2022	
Church Pews & Tile Replacement	\$ 196,605.50
Church Roof	74,285.07
SHS Jr. High Classroom Renovations	61,898.00
Parish Office & Spiritual Center Security	20,091.28
Evangelization	13,696.68
SHS Faculty Bonuses	12,105.96
Damascus Retreats	11,663.00
St. Hilary Parents' Association Scholarships	10,000.00
Ralph L. & Florence A. Bernard Scholarships	6,000.00
Friend of St. Hilary Scholarships	6,000.00
Gaudete & Laetare Sunday Concerts	4,987.81
Church Stained Glass Windows	4,675.00
SHPF Tuition Assistance Scholarships	4,000.00
Faculty Expenses	3,904.88
PSR Office Reorganization	2,486.38
Kevin Neff Scholarship	1,600.00
Rev. Steven K. Brunovsky	
Catholic Leadership Scholarship	1,000.00
Jane Klenotic Scholarship	1,000.00
Knights of Columbus Scholarships	1,000.00
St. Hilary Athletic Association Scholarships	1,000.00
Docking Stations & Battery Packs - SHS Musical	688.94
Edward L. Gilbert Family Scholarship	600.00
Jimmy Lyons Geography Bee Scholarship	500.00
TOTAL	\$ 439,788.50
2023	
Church Roof	\$ 83,530.00
SHS Roof	60,297.64
SHS Campus Minister	25,000.00
Church Windows Restoration	20,610.00
St. Hilary Girls' Basketball & Volleyball Uniforms	18,000.00
SHS Tuition Assistance	16,813.02
SHS Faculty Bonuses, Compensation & Expenses	14,648.12
Horning Hall Exterior Doors	14,209.54
Damascus Retreats	13,215.00
St. Hilary Parents' Association Scholarships	10,000.00
SHS Teacher Technology	9,541.61
Church Stairwell Treads & Choir Risers	8,886.00
Gaudete & Laetare Sunday Concerts	6,408.43
Ralph L. & Florence A. Bernard Scholarships	6,000.00
Friend of St. Hilary Scholarships	6,000.00
SHPF Tuition Assistance Scholarships	6,000.00
Kristina N. Buehrle Tuition Scholarship	4,980.00
Holy Trinity Icon	3,100.00
Seminarians Religious Education	2,315.58
Kevin Neff Scholarship	1,600.00
Rev. Steven K. Brunovsky	
Catholic Leadership Scholarship	1,000.00
Jane Klenotic Scholarship	1,000.00
Knights of Columbus Scholarships	1,000.00
St. Hilary Athletic Association Scholarships	1,000.00
Edward L. Gilbert Family Scholarship	600.00
Grandparents' Day	510.47
Hogan Family Fund Scholarship	500.00
TOTAL	\$ 336,765.71

2024	
Church Pipe Organ Cleaning Project	\$ 28,040.00
Church Lighting Project	26,134.67
SHS Campus Minister	25,000.00
Spiritual Ctr. Meeting Rooms HVAC Control Mechanism Replacement	19,275.00
Damascus Retreats	16,718.50
SHS Faculty Bonuses, Compensation	13,700.00
St. Hilary Parents' Association Scholarships	10,000.00
Kristina N. Buehrle Tuition Scholarship	6,700.00
Holy Trinity Icon Project	6,655.00
Sacristy Project	5,470.81
SHS Tuition Assistance	5,131.63
Ralph L. & Florence A. Bernard Scholarships	2,000.00
Friend of St. Hilary Scholarships	2,000.00
Kevin Neff Scholarship	1,600.00
Rev. Steven K. Brunovsky	
Catholic Leadership Scholarship	1,500.00
St. Hilary Athletic Association Scholarships	1,500.00
Gaudete Sunday Concert	1,222.68
Christmas Eucharistic Books	1,000.00
Jane Klenotic Scholarship	1,000.00
Knights of Columbus Scholarships	1,000.00
Edward L. Gilbert Family Scholarship	600.00
Hogan Family Scholarship	500.00
Jimmy Lyons Geography Bee Scholarship	500.00
Seminarian Religious Expenses	137.39
TOTAL	\$ 177,385.68
*(2024 - January 1, 2024 - October 31, 2024)	

Since 1979, the total amount of distribution of grants to St. Hilary Church and St. Hilary School is as follows:

Parish Grants:	\$2,658,372.02
School Grants:	\$2,922,546.63
Total Grants Distributed:	\$5,580,918.65



Financial Statement

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2024		
	11/1/23-10/31/24	11/1/22-10/31/23
ASSETS		
Operating Account	\$ 5,871.02	\$ 5,871.02
Unrestricted Parish Funds	\$ 3,060,447.35	\$ 2,449,309.71
Specified Parish Funds	\$ 5,515,476.32	\$ 4,620,390.55
Unrestricted School Funds	\$ 2,457,535.38	\$ 2,002,150.80
All Specified School Funds	\$ 1,861,066.18	\$ 1,279,729.08
Receivables - Pledges	\$ 11,900.00	\$ 16,100.02
Total Assets	\$ 12,912,296.25	\$ 10,373,551.18
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	\$.00	\$.00
Total Liabilities	\$.00	\$.00
Net Assets	\$ 12,912,296.25	\$ 10,373,551.18
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 12,912,296.25	\$ 10,373,551.18
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES		
	11/1/23-10/31/24	11/1/22-10/31/23
REVENUES AND GAINS		
Contributions Received	\$ 635,353.96	\$ 514,829.58
Investment Income	\$ 2,240,466.83	\$ 335,411.44
Total Contributions and Gains	\$ 2,875,820.79	\$ 870,241.02
DISTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENSES		
Grants and Other Distributions	\$ 248,870.13	\$ 409,408.73
Expenses	\$ 78,384.82	\$ 70,625.63
Total Distributions and Expenses	\$ 327,254.95	\$ 480,034.36



Inspiration for Giving

Since it began nearly 50 years ago, the St. Hilary Parish Foundation has inspired the future with significant support for the church and school, granting \$ 5,580,919 to date. Through the steadfast philanthropy of donors, the Foundation has grown its funds to \$12,912,296, which, some may say, begs the question, "Why give?" If you are in need of inspiration for giving to the St. Hilary Parish Foundation, please read on.

The Foundation is managed by an expert board of directors who oversee its funds, review and grant requests for distributions, and confirm that fund expenditures comply with applicable donor and fund restrictions. You can learn more about the board on page 1. A fiscally sound spending policy permits only 4% of the 12-quarter average in an unrestricted fund to be distributed, in order to maintain growth and prevent depletion of that fund. Other funds have equally responsible spending policies for the same reasons. Market fluctuations play a part in this, as do the amount of donations into a fund in relation to gifts distributed from that fund. The distributable amount in any given fund is always lower than the balance of the fund itself, so donations are imperative in order to continue the ability to make distributions from the fund. And, or course, increased donations lead to increased funds, correlating to the ability to provide increased distributions.

There is no need for pastoral appeals to parishioners for special offertory collections or donations, thanks to Foundation distributions to support the church and school. Foundation grants subsidize capital improvements and unforeseen expenses for the church and school and support programs and amenities that enrich the parish community, going far beyond the basic operating expenses funded by the weekly offertory. Contributions in any amount enable these Foundation grants to be a reality. This report details many ways to support the Foundation in its mission to underwrite the needs of the church and school. Please contact Diane Sarkis, Executive Director, at 330-608-4787, or scan this code to learn more or make a donation.



Fond Farewell

In 2024, the Foundation bid a fond farewell to two dear friends. In May, long-time trusted Advisor to the Board of Directors, Dale Koblenzer, passed away after a sudden and brief illness. His untimely passing was followed in September by the loss of Joe Lechiara, one of the handful of parishioners who worked with Fr. Horning to establish the Foundation in 1976. The Foundation is indebted to these two gentlemen, whose valuable contributions will be remembered and missed.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Stephen Strayer
President
Elected to Board of Directors 2004



Stephen Hammersmith
Vice President and Secretary
Elected to Board of Directors 2004



Matthew Shannon
Treasurer
Elected to Board of Directors 2005



Kathryn Dindo
Director
Elected to Board of Directors 1992



Brittany Root
Director
Elected to Board of Directors 2024



Dan Sollenberger
Director
Elected to Board of Directors 2024



Fr. Steven Brunovsky
Director
Joined Board of Directors 2007



Diane Sarkis
Executive Director



Harrison Orendorf, Advisor to the Board of Directors