



Around the Parish

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

2023

Sacred Heart Catholic Education Endowment Fund

'Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.'



In early May, 2020, just a few months after the onset of the COVID pandemic in America, we received a Transformative Gift from the John R. Post Family Charitable Foundation to establish the Sacred Heart Catholic Education Endowment Fund (SHCEEF).

We, as a Parish and School Community, have been "incentivized" by the Foundation to raise funds to potentially increase the amount the Foundation will contribute to this Endowment. The Fund has and will continue to provide an invaluable source of funds to sustain our 100+ year old mission to Catholic Education not only now, but also well into the future.

The accompanying photo of our students, taken this past Spring at the Cross on our School's front lawn (the Cross is also a gift of the Post Family's Charitable Foundation) is graphic evidence of our vibrant School Community... "Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.'"' (Mt 19: 14)

*In your charity and generosity, consider supporting this noble cause for the good of both our Sacred Heart Parish and School Community. No contribution is too small **or** too large! Please see the accompanying Pledge/Contribution information for contribution to this Fund.*

*Thank you for your faithfulness, and remain
Yours in Christ, the Divine Teacher,*

*Please see page 2 for the Endowment form, or visit
www.sacredheartreading.com to fill out online.*

ENLIGHTENING MINDS ♥ ENRICHING SOULS ♥ INSPIRING HEARTS

*I/we wish to support the Sacred Heart Catholic Education Endowment Fund
with a gift as follows:*

Total Gift of \$ _____ Amount enclosed \$ _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT (See reverse for payment details and authorization)

☐ Check ☐ Credit Card Payment ☐ Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)

TERMS OF PLEDGE: ☐ One Year ☐ Two Years ☐ Three Years

I WOULD LIKE TO PAY: ☐ Annually ☐ Semi-Annually ☐ Quarterly ☐ Monthly or credit card payments).

I will pay these months: Annually: _____ Semi-Annually: _____ Quarterly: _____

_____ Please send a reminder ☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ I would like my gift to remain anonymous.

☐ I would like my gift acknowledged as follows: _____

Does your company match gifts? ☐ Yes ☐ No Name of company _____

ie: The Miller Family,
Mr and Mrs. John Miller,
The Miller children, etc.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____

ZIP _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

☐ I have remembered Sacred Heart School in my estate plans.



Donations are tax-deductible as allowed by law.
Non-profit 501(c)3 - Federal Tax ID# 23-1547583.

Please see reverse side for payment detail and authorization.

Teach me wisdom and knowledge,
for in your commandments I trust.

Psalms 119:66

September 2023 LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sept. 2/3	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sept. 16/17	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM	Sandie Wrable	5:00 PM	Mary Ann Kelly
7:30 AM	Mike Gallagher	7:30 AM	Joe Tharp
9:30 AM	Denise Mogel	9:30 AM	Mary Ann Kase
11:15 AM	Bill Wellock	11:15 AM	Karen Ann Cameron
Sept. 9/10	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sept. 23/24	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM	Dean Reber	5:00 PM	Ann Reber
7:30 AM	JoAnn Schmura	7:30 AM	Kathy Nevel
9:30 AM	Lou Sutherland	9:30 AM	John Gleason
11:15 AM	Margaret Hueske	11:15 AM	John Sylvester



We hope your summer is going well!

Thank you to all who participated and sponsored our Swing and A Prayer Golf Outing! We had 80 golfers participate and we were blessed with great weather for the day. We appreciate your help in making this event a big success for our School!

Recitation of the Rosary is now on the weekly schedule, and we hope you can join us on Sunday mornings after the 9:30 a.m. Mass in the church and at 5:30 p.m. before Mass on Tuesday evenings. All are welcome!

Important 2023 K of C dates for your calendar:

September 7 - Officer's Meeting - Wachter Room 7:00 p.m.

September 9/10 Weekend - Patriot Day Weekend - the flowers on the Altar and Tabernacle at both parishes are given by the Knights of Columbus

September 10 - KofC Member Meet and Greet - 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the Wachter Room - refreshments will be served - if you are interested in joining our KofC Council, then please plan to attend this informative and social event. Signup located on the following page.

September 21 - Membership Meeting - IHM Room 6:30-8:30pm; Rosary at 6:30 p.m. before the meeting.

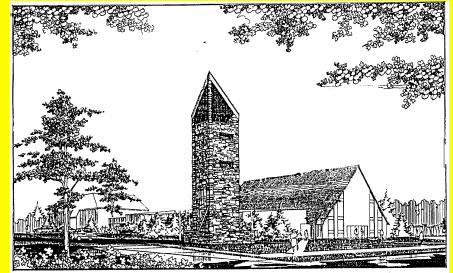
October 29 - Deceased Council Members Memorial Mass

October 14/15 - Coats for Kids Drive - Partnered with Boscov's

November - Holiday Pie Sale

The Knights of Columbus Monsignor Bornemann Council membership is open to all practicing Catholic male adults, aged eighteen and over, who wish to serve their parish and community. Meetings are the third Thursday of the month. To join, contact John Sylvester at 610-451-6980, or go to bornknights.org and fill out the Contact Form located on our website OR sign up directly using the online K of C link.

UPCOMING EVENTS



R.C.I.A.

Sacred Heart Church

Wachter Room

September 6th @ 7:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart Book Club

Sacred Heart Church

Wachter Room

September 7th @ 7:00 p.m.

Religious Education

Sacred Heart Church

IHM Room

September 12th @ 6:15 p.m.

Monte Carlo Night

Sacred Heart School

@ Tinnemyer Residence

September 15th @ 5:30 p.m.

Visiting Missionary

Fr. Joeseph J. Arackal V.C.

Sacred Heart Church

September 30th & Oct. 1st



VINCENTIAN CONGREGATION
ST. JOSEPH PROVINCE



VISITING MISSIONARY

Fr. Joseph J. Arackal V.C., a Vincentian Missionary Priest, will be in our parish on the weekend of September 30th & October 1st, 2023 to participate in our Annual Missionary Cooperation Plan. He will preach at all the Masses on this weekend and will make a special appeal on behalf of the Vincentian Missions.

The Vincentian Congregation, a missionary sending Religious Congregation was founded in Kerala, India, modeled after the Congregation of the Mission founded by St. Vincent de Paul. Members of this flourishing Religious Congregation, are engaged in Mission Work in all parts of India, Sri Lanka and Nepal.

There will be a special mission collection during this weekend to help the Missionaries' work, please keep Fr. Joseph and all the Missionaries and seminarians in your prayers.



Do you know someone who wants to become Catholic?

Tell them about the RCIA! It's the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults; it is the process by which adults can become members of the Catholic Church. If someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please invite them to our first RCIA meeting on Wednesday, September 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart "Parish Center". Catholic adults who were never confirmed are welcome to join us too. You can contact us at SacredHeartRCIA@gmail.com, or at the parish office at (610) 372-4010



WELCOME

TO THE PARISH

Christopher and Holly
Becker and Family

LARAINÉ BENNETT

THE
LITTLE WAY
OF LIVING
WITH LESS

Learning to Let Go with the Little Flower



Sacred Heart Book Club

We will meet again in September to discuss a book. If you are interested, you can purchase, read the book on your own, and join us on:

**September 7, 2023 @ 7:00
P.M.**

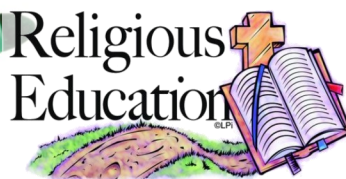
In the Wachter Room

ALTAR SERVER A JOB SO BIG ONLY A KID CAN DO IT

God is calling YOU to serve our Parish as an Altar Server!

We need Parish Youth, Grades 5-12 in the 2023/2024 School year to serve Sacred Heart Church as an Altar Server.

Please call Kirsten at 610-372-4010 and let her know you would like your child to be added to the Altar Server training list this Fall!



Religious Education
Tuesday, September 12, we start our Religious Education classes for the school year 2023-2024. On Sunday, September 17, 2023

our church will celebrate **Catechetical Sunday during the Mass at 11:15 A.M.** This annual event enables our community to pray and support our catechists as they are commissioned to go and echo God's message of redemption, God's love in us, with us, around us and through us! May we begin this new school year with a grateful heart of being able to be in God's presence and serve Him one more year.

Knights of Columbus - Monsignor Bornemann Council
RSVP for Membership Information Meeting
Sunday, September 10th, 2023 @ 1:00 P.M.

In the Wachter Room of the Parish Center
(fill out this form and place in the collection basket at Mass)

Name _____

Email _____

Address _____

Telephone # _____ Cell | Home

Parish Affiliation _____

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORTS

SACRED HEART CHURCH FINANCIAL REPORT		
JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2023		
	12 Months 6/30/2023	12 Months 6/30/2022
CHURCH INCOME:		
Offeritory Collections Income	702,224	722,737
Donations, Bequests, Memorials Income	198,343	247,086
Program Income	34,930	31,355
Other Income	11,524	9,950
TOTAL CHURCH OPERATING INCOME	\$ 947,021	\$ 1,011,128
CHURCH EXPENSES:		
Administration Expenses	249,889	242,814
Religious Education Expenses	122,083	107,247
Diocesan Assessment Expenses	112,927	106,728
Church, Rectory, Parish Center Expenses	267,444	253,414
TOTAL CHURCH OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 752,343	\$ 710,203
SUBTOTAL OF OPERATIONS	\$ 194,678	\$ 300,925
Capital Expenses & Improvements	(39,856)	(261,758)
Gain/Loss on Investments	200,091	(238,634) *
Endowment Donations	563,847	1,126,195
Church Subsidy to cover School Expenses	(314,500) **	(282,300)
NET INCOME/LOSS	\$ 604,260	\$ 644,428

* Capital Expenses & Improvements - 2021-22 includes remainder of 2020-21 school/church roof replacement expenses.

** Church Subsidy to School higher mainly due to costs associated with starting new PreK program.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT		
JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2023		
	12 Months 6/30/2023	12 Months 6/30/2022
SCHOOL INCOME:		
Tuition & Fees Income	677,108	550,759
Fundraising Income	147,611	158,566
Gifts & Bequests	16,974	16,500
Extended Care	17,402	15,556
Other Income	2,146	2,066
TOTAL SCHOOL OPERATING INCOME	\$ 861,241	\$ 743,447
SCHOOL EXPENSES:		
Administration Expenses	194,804	204,089
Instruction Expenses	766,105	636,800
Building Operation & Maintenance	134,738	119,721
Insurance Exp/Diocesan Assessment	47,695	44,411
Other Expenses	9,986	8,699
TOTAL SCHOOL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 1,153,328	\$ 1,013,720
SUBTOTAL OF OPERATIONS Before Subsidy	\$ (292,087)	\$ (270,273)
Capital Expenses & Improvements	(17,590)	(18,819)
Church Subsidy to School Income	314,500 **	282,300
NET INCOME/LOSS After Subsidy	\$ 4,823	\$ (6,792)

DID YOU KNOW?

You can reduce your taxes with an IRA gift. The IRA charitable rollover permits individuals who are 70 1/2 to roll over up to \$100,000 from their IRA to Sacred Heart Church and/or Sacred Heart School free from federal income tax. An IRA rollover gift also qualifies for your Required Minimum Distribution, permitting you to lower your income and taxes this year.

September 15, 2023

Monte Carlo Night

A Night to Benefit Sacred Heart School and Parish



Sponsorship Opportunities

GoldenEye Sponsor - \$10,000

- Two VIP tables of eight at Monte Carlo Night
- Name/Logo on Table
- Full back or inside front page ad in program
- Event cocktail named after you
- 2 free "Ice Cubes" drink raffle
- Name/Logo listed on all event-related marketing
- Recognition at Monte Carlo Night
- Social Media Recognition

Heartbreaker Sponsor- \$2,500

- 4 tickets to Monte Carlo Night
- Name/Logo listed on all event-related marketing
- ½ page ad in program
- 1 free "Ice Cubes" drink raffle
- Recognition at Monte Carlo Night
- Social Media Recognition

Lucky You Sponsor- \$5,000

- One VIP table of eight at Monte Carlo Night
- Full page ad in program
- 2 free "Ice Cubes" drink raffle
- Name/Logo listed on all event-related marketing
- Recognition at Monte Carlo Night
- Social Media Recognition

Maverick Sponsor - \$1,000

- 2 tickets to Monte Carlo Night
- Name/Logo listed on all event-related marketing
- ¼ page ad in program
- Recognition at Monte Carlo Night
- Social Media Recognition

SPONSORSHIP:

☐ GoldenEye Sponsor- \$10,000 ☐ Lucky You Sponsor- \$5,000

☐ Heartbreaker Sponsor- \$2,500 ☐ Maverick Sponsor - \$1,000

☐ We cannot be a sponsor, but wish to contribute \$_____ to the **Sacred Heart Monte Carlo Night**.
Your gift is fully tax-deductible and will be listed on the "Friends of Sacred Heart " page of the Souvenir Event Program.

PAYMENT:

A check for \$_____ made payable to **Sacred Heart School** is enclosed.

Credit card, which will be charged on the night of Monte Carlo Night (MCN):

Number _____ Exp: _____/_____/_____

COMPANY NAME _____

CONTACT NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ FAX _____ EMAIL _____

You will be contacted regarding benefit fulfillment and guest names.

Please return this form to Sacred Heart School | 701 Franklin St. | West Reading, PA 19611

For more information, please contact **Amanda Spencer**, MCN Chair, aspencer1408@gmail.com