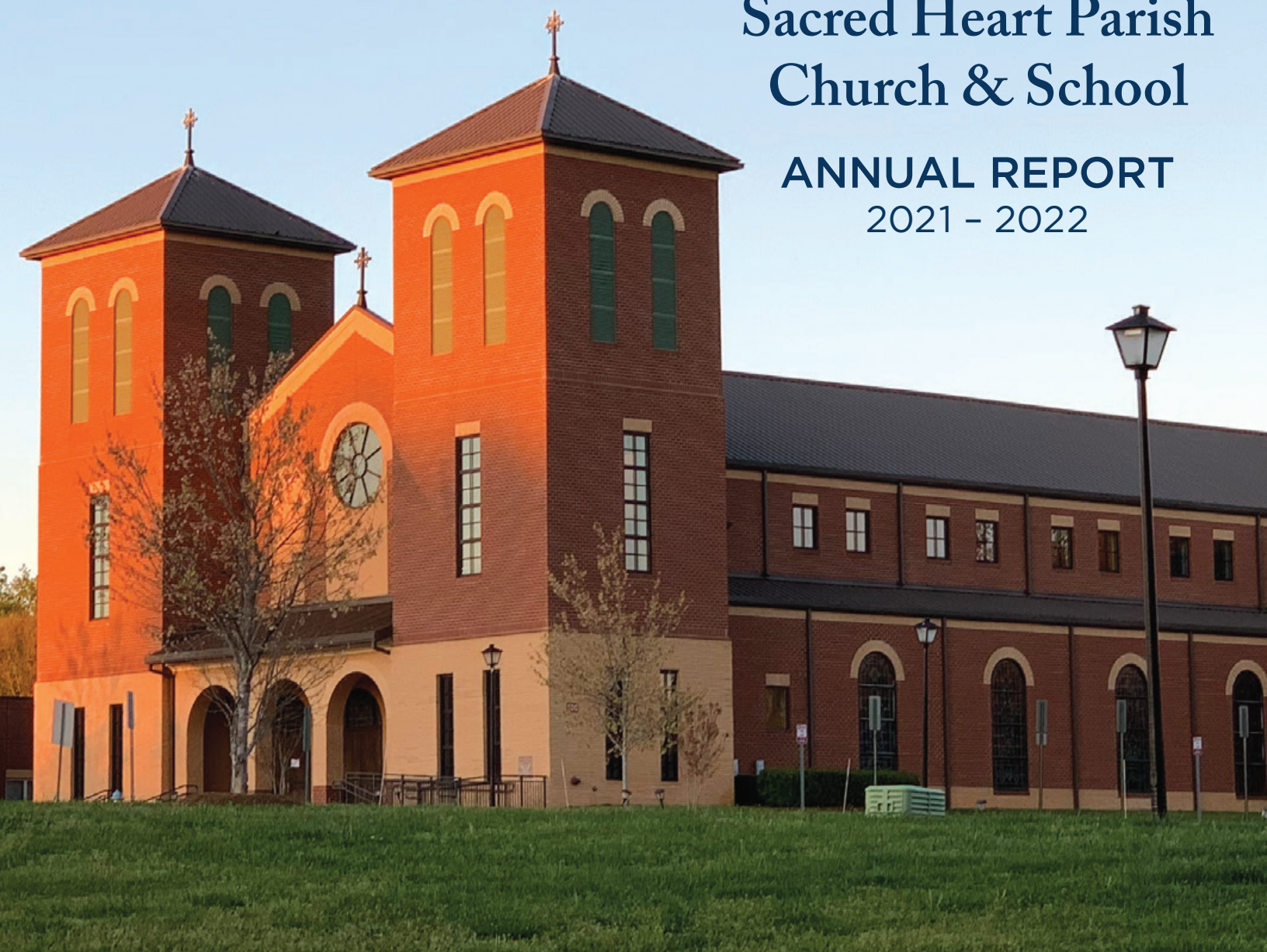


Sacred Heart Parish Church & School

ANNUAL REPORT

2021 – 2022



That In All Things God May Be Glorified

Think. Serve. Lead. Believe.





Father John Eckert
Pastor



Erin Brinkley
Principal

Dear Friend in Christ,

Praised be Jesus Christ!

Our parish, church and school, like the rest of the world, is not immune to challenges. This past year presented new ones, like an unexpected gas line corrosion, universal ones, like continued adaptation to COVID and its protocols, and the ever present burden of our debt for this beautiful campus. We are grateful for the resilience of our Sacred Heart Team! The gas line was fixed rapidly with next to no effect on our regular schedule, we have emerged from the hardest days of the pandemic with an eight percent increase in school enrollment and growing numbers of families to our church, and the light at the end of the debt tunnel is growing brighter and brighter as we pray for the help of Our Blessed Mother and thank God for the generosity of our parishioners as we project to be debt free within two years.

We have an incredible team of staff and teachers here at Sacred Heart, all rooted in the mission of spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ. In the past year, we have prioritized increasing compensation for our wonderful teachers as our school continues to grow. The staff in both of our offices work hard every day to rise to the challenges that present themselves and keep us persevering. It is the people that work so hard each day here at Sacred Heart that are our greatest asset.

As we look to the new year, we hope to continue to welcome new friends to our beautiful campus at Mass on Sundays, during one of our many events throughout the year, and at times we hope to go out and meet them, at places like the Catawba College Auditorium with our school performances, like this year's production of Disney's 101 Dalmatians Kids, or at Rowan Helping Ministries. It's been a good year, and we're ready to welcome more people into the Sacred Heart family to enjoy the year ahead!

With gratitude for all you do and are to Sacred Heart, we remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. John Eckert
Pastor

Mrs. Erin Brinkley
Principal

Querido amigo en Cristo,

Alabado sea Jesucristo!

Nuestra parroquia, iglesia y escuela, como el resto del mundo, no es inmune a los desafíos. Este año pasado se presentaron otros nuevos, como una inesperada corrosión de la línea de gas, otros universales, como la continua adaptación a COVID y sus protocolos, y la siempre presente carga de nuestra deuda por este hermoso campus. Estamos agradecidos por la resistencia de nuestro equipo del Sagrado Corazón. La línea de gas se arregló rápidamente sin afectar a nuestro horario habitual, hemos salido de los días más duros de la pandemia con un aumento del ocho por ciento en la matrícula escolar y un número creciente de familias a nuestra iglesia, y la luz al final del túnel de la deuda es cada vez más brillante mientras rezamos por la ayuda de Nuestra Santísima Madre y damos gracias a Dios por la generosidad de nuestros feligreses, ya que proyectamos estar libres de deudas dentro de dos años.

Tenemos un equipo increíble de personal y profesores aquí en el Sagrado Corazón, todos arraigados en la misión de difundir la Buena Nueva de Jesucristo. En el último año, hemos priorizado el aumento de la compensación para nuestros maravillosos profesores mientras nuestra escuela sigue creciendo. El personal de nuestras dos oficinas trabaja duro todos los días para estar a la altura de los desafíos que se presentan y mantenernos perseverantes. Las personas que trabajan tan duro cada día aquí en el Sagrado Corazón son nuestro mayor patrimonio.

De cara al nuevo año, esperamos seguir dando la bienvenida a nuevos amigos a nuestro hermoso campus en la misa de los domingos, durante uno de nuestros muchos eventos a lo largo del año, y a veces esperamos salir a su encuentro, en lugares como el Auditorio del Catawba College con nuestras actuaciones escolares, como la producción de este año de 101 Dálmatas Infantiles de Disney, o en Rowan Helping Ministries. Ha sido un buen año, y estamos listos para dar la bienvenida a más personas a la familia del Sagrado Corazón para disfrutar del año que viene.

Con gratitud por todo lo que hacen y son para el Sagrado Corazón,

Sinceramente suyo en Cristo,

Fr. John Eckert
Pastor

Mrs. Erin Brinkley
Principal





Church Office

We recently said farewell to our administrative assistant and front desk manager Mimi Medrano who has taken a new job at Christ the King High School here in the Diocese. We are pleased to welcome our parishioner Sonia Pleitez into this crucial position of welcoming folks here to our school and parish office each day. We also welcomed EJ Cerdeiras onto our team this Spring. EJ is our new Director of Evangelization and has been overseeing our new FIDE program (see more information on this below). Finally, we are excited to announce that John Baughman has been accepted into formation for the permanent Diaconate here in the Diocese. John continues to oversee our Youth Group and has begun working with families preparing for Baptism.



Sonia Pleitez
Front Desk Manager



EJ Cerdeiras
Director of Evangelization

Sacraments

Our primary mission here is to bring people to Jesus Christ and to bring Jesus Christ to His people by faithfully celebrating the Sacraments. We had another full year of grace and joy here at Sacred Heart.



Sacrament of Holy Orders

Over the last two years we have celebrated the ordination of two of our young men to the Holy Priesthood, Fr. Joseph Wasswa and Fr. Darren Balkey. We have been blessed to support them during their years in seminary, welcome them home during breaks, and most special of all, being the parish in which both celebrated their Masses of Thanksgiving the day after ordination! Both are now serving in parishes here in the Diocese of Charlotte, and it has been a gift to welcome them home to Sacred Heart frequently.



Baptisms: **49**



First Holy
Communions: **63**



Confirmations: **63**



Marriages: **18**



FIDE (Formation In Discipleship and Evangelization)

FIDE is our new faith formation initiative that is now underway! This new model aims to catechize the entire family, empowering, supporting, and encouraging parents in their role as the primary educators of their children in the faith. This program also invites the whole parish to get involved! Each family in the program is paired up with a SAP (Sacramental Accountability Partner) who walks and works with the family on their spiritual and catechetical journey. Keep this fundamental ministry in your prayers!



A Humble History

Did you know Sacred Heart was founded as a parish in 1882? There is a lot to learn about our parish's rich history. Over the past couple of years, we have been putting together a website dedicated to our history and the people who have made our parish what it is today. You can find the website by going to salisbury catholic.org >About >Our History, or by scanning the QR Code below.



Rev. William Regnat
Pastor 1919-1924, 1928-1942



Rev. Monsignor John Roueche
First Priest of Sacred Heart

A New Organ to be Installed

After nearly ten years of play in its final home, our hand-me-down pipe organ played its last note this past All Saint's Day. Under the direction of our Director of Sacred Music, Flora Lester, an abundance of research and planning went into finding the right instrument for our choir loft, and, thanks to the generous support of our parish, we have purchased a new organ! The new R.A. Daffer Church Organ will be installed later this Fall with a planned dedication on the Feast of the Epiphany in January of 2023.





Faculty and Staff

We love our faculty and staff; they truly are the heart of our school community! Showing appreciation for their dedication to our school mission is imperative. With the help of your financial support, we have been able to offer more competitive pay by increasing salaries and awarding longevity bonuses. Faculty and staff appreciation, retention, recruitment and reward continue to be a top priority.



Catholic Culture

The faith is simply the air we breathe here at Sacred Heart. Whether in overt ways like weekly Mass or prayer at morning assembly, or in the underlying principles by which our decisions are made and actions are guided, the Sacred Heart of Jesus is the constantly beating presence of love that keeps us striving on each day at this wonderful school.



Community Events

All are welcome at SHCS! Hosting a wide range of events has made our sprawling campus the “place to be” for our local community. The 3rd Annual Harvest Hunt gave visitors an opportunity to explore our outdoor learning areas and nature trails, and we also included a scavenger hunt for even more adventure. The Dolphin Dash 5K Trail and Fun Run gave us the chance to host over 100 runners with an incredible morning full of competition and fun. Our Earth Day Celebration was a huge success as students, friends, parents and educators gathered together to learn more about the glories of God’s beautiful creation.



Serving Others

Serving our local community continues to be an integral part of who we are. Learning by acts of kindness and generosity, students are reminded that it is always better to give than to receive. This past year our students have participated in a variety of service activities including packing hundreds of food bags weekly at for Food for Thought, serving meals at Rowan Helping Ministries, singing beautiful songs at local nursing homes, delivering books to Little Libraries throughout the county, collecting cans to donate to the hungry, dressing down for local charities, and many more!

Student Activities

There is something for everyone at SHCS! From athletics to fine arts, students can explore different activities of interest. We offer cross country, volleyball, soccer, basketball, track, golf, cheer and pep squad. Club options include Model UN Debate Team, Team Green, Dolphin News and Broadcast, Strategic Games, Blessings Bunch (focused on service for others), and our top notch Drama Club. A huge highlight from this past year was our student performance of Disney’s 101 Dalmatians Kids at Hedrick Little Theatre at Catawba College under the direction of Mr. Reid Leonard.



Education in Virtues

The Education in Virtues program continues to thrive as we learn about and strive to live the virtues daily. Education in virtues is not just a curriculum; it’s a way of life. What we know and have learned is that living a virtuous life is the only way to happiness. Developed by the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, this program uses tools to teach virtuous living to our students. Evidence of the program can be seen on bulletin boards, in paintings, alive in our daily lesson plans, and, most importantly, in the behaviors of our students and staff.





Seamus Donaldson
Chairman of the
Sacred Heart
Finance Council

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

We are “this” close. Originally \$9.5 million about 13 years ago, our mortgage debt as of the writing of this letter stands at about \$750,000 with pledge payments in place to retire the balance within 2 years Tremendous thanks to all that have and continue to contribute to our debt reduction campaign and especially to those that have sacrificed their own personal financial comfort to truly give all they can.

The Parish Finance Council is pleased to report that your financial and prayerful dedication has resulted in tremendous debt reduction, continued financial stability, and enhanced support for all our ministries. Highlights for the year include:

- Principal debt reduction of \$1,871,581.
- Positive cash flows in all areas including church, school, and capital.
- Growth in cash and reserve balances with full availability on our line of credit.
- The success of The 1882 Fund with contributions/pledges of \$184,761.
- Increase of the John M. Thompson Endowment by 88%.

The Parish Finance Council looks forward to a very productive year to include continued transparency, conservative financial management, and the beginnings of a capital and strategic improvement plan to guide our Parish in the years to come. We thank you for your continued trust, support, and prayers.

Volunteers: Seamus Donaldson, Mark Scott, Ray Paradowski, JR Roach, John Struzick, Lynn Frank, Chris Frank, John Eckert.
Staff: Father John Eckert, Principal Erin Brinkley, Camile Denhard, Cheryl Eckert, Michael Becker.

Querida familia del Sagrado Corazón,

Estamos “así” de cerca. Originalmente 9,5 millones de dólares hace unos trece años, nuestra deuda hipotecaria en el momento de escribir esta carta es de unos 750.000 dólares con los pagos de la promesa en el lugar para reducir el saldo dentro de 2 años. Un tremendo agradecimiento a todos los que han contribuido y siguen contribuyendo a nuestra campaña de reducción de la deuda y especialmente a aquellos que han sacrificado su propia comodidad financiera personal para dar realmente todo lo que pueden.

El Consejo Financiero de la Parroquia se complace en informar que su dedicación financiera y de oración ha dado como resultado una tremenda reducción de la deuda, una continua estabilidad financiera y un mayor apoyo a todos nuestros ministerios. Lo más destacado del año incluye

- Reducción de la deuda principal de \$1,871,581.
- Flujos de caja positivos en todas las áreas, incluyendo la iglesia, la escuela y el capital.
- Aumento de los saldos de caja y de reserva con plena disponibilidad de nuestra línea de crédito.
- Éxito del Fondo 1882 con contribuciones/participaciones de 184.761 dólares.
- Aumento de la donación John M. Thompsonen un 88%.

El Consejo de Finanzas de la Parroquia espera un año muy productivo que incluya una continua transparencia, una gestión financiera conservadora y el comienzo de un plan de mejoras estratégicas y de capital para guiar a nuestra Parroquia en los años venideros. Les agradecemos su continua confianza, apoyo y oraciones.

Voluntarios: Seamus Donaldson, Mark Scott, Ray Paradowski, JR Roach, John Struzick, Lynn Frank, Chris Frank, John Eckert.
Personal: Padre John Eckert, Director Erin Brinkley, Camile Denhard, Cheryl Eckert, Michael Becker.

Church Financial Highlights

STATEMENT OF
ACTIVITIES

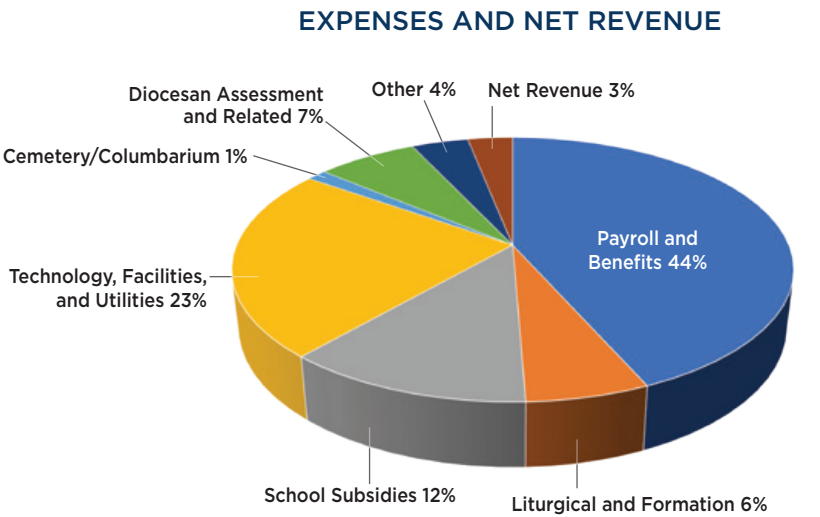
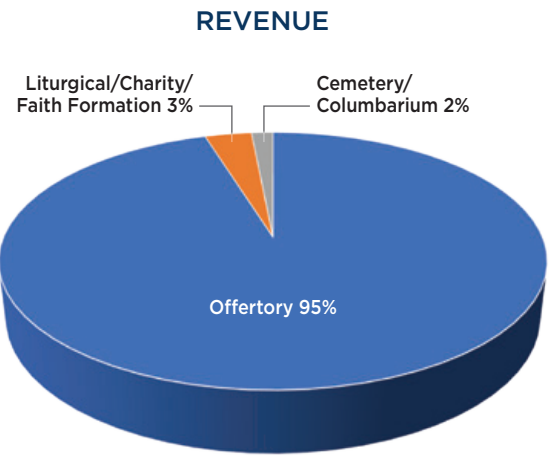
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REVENUE		
Offertory	\$ 995,530	94%
Liturgical/Charity/Faith Formation	\$ 34,362	3%
Cemetery/Columbarium	\$ 15,822	2%
Other Income	\$ 7,923	0.8%
	\$ 1,053,637	100%

EXPENSES		
Payroll and Benefits	\$ 456,989	43%
Liturgical and Formation	\$ 63,343	6%
School Subsidies	\$ 126,940	12%
Technology, Facilities, and Utilities	\$ 246,148	23%
Cemetery/Columbarium	\$ 14,032	1%
Diocesan Assessment and Related	\$ 72,647	7%
Other	\$ 41,018	4%
Total Expenses	\$ 1,021,117	97%
Net Revenue	\$ 32,520	3%
Total Expenses and Net	\$ 1,053,637	100%

BALANCE SHEET

	YEAR END 6/30/2022	
ASSETS		
Cash, unrestricted	\$ 579,353	
Cash, restricted	\$ 614,695	
Total Cash	\$ 1,194,048	10%
Endowments	\$ 485,724	4%
Receivables	\$ 6,674	0%
Property and Equipment	\$ 10,392,725	86%
Total Assets	\$ 12,079,171	100%

LIABILITIES		
Payables	\$(725)	0.0%
Custodial Obligations	\$11,940	0.1%
Unearned Income	\$396,551	3%
Notes Payable	\$858,815	7%
Total Liabilities	\$1,266,581	10%
Net Position	\$10,812,590	90%
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$12,079,171	100%





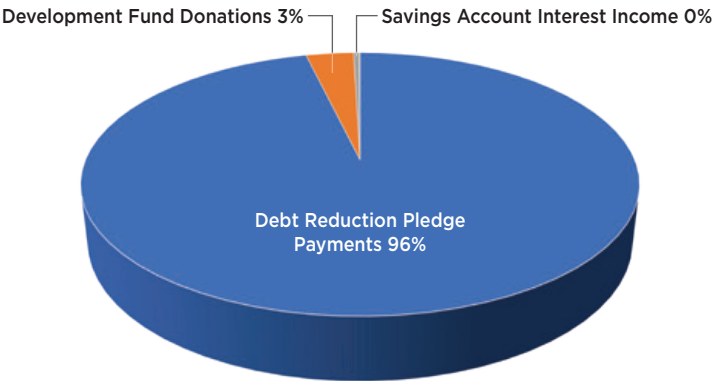
CAPITAL ACTIVITY

	YEAR END 6/30/2022	
REVENUE		
Debt Reduction Pledge Payments	\$ 1,994,245	96%
Development Fund Donations	\$ 68,186	3%
Forward Faith Hope and Love (FFHL)	\$ 8,260	0%
Savings Account Interest Income	\$ 1,074	0.1%
Total Funds Received	\$ 2,071,765	100%

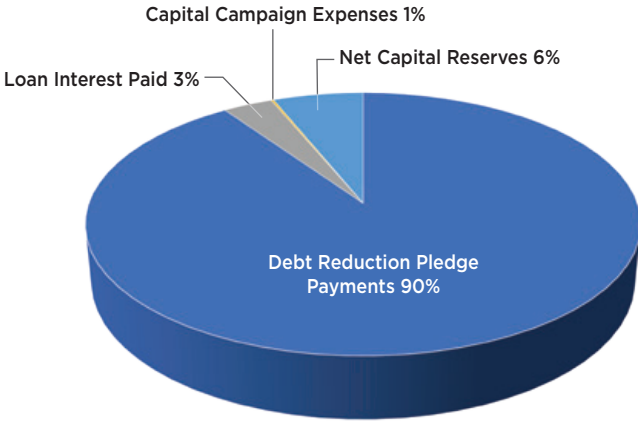
DIRECTED PAYMENTS		
Mortgage Principal Payments	\$ 1,871,581	90%
Line of Credit Principal Payments	0	0%
Loan Interest Paid	\$ 69,876	3%
Capital Campaign Expenses	\$ 3,341	.02%
Total Directed Payments	\$ 1,944,798	94%
Net Capital Reserves	\$ 126,967	6%
Directed Payments And Reserves	\$ 2,071,765	100%



TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED



DIRECTED PAYMENTS AND RESERVES



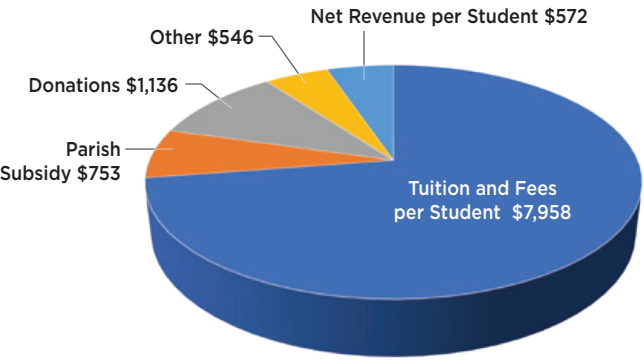
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REVENUE		
Tuition and Fees	\$ 1,312,999	75%
Donations	\$ 187,510	11%
Parish Subsidy	\$ 124,241	7%
Diocesan and Gov't Grants	\$ 31,355	2%
Other	\$ 90,028	5%
Total Revenue	\$ 1,746,133	100%

EXPENSES		
Payroll and Benefits	\$1,078,534	62%
Curriculum and Administrative	\$76,342	4%
Technology, Facilities, & Utilities	\$294,311	17%
Other	\$171,272	10%
Total Expenses	\$1,620,459	93%
Net Revenue	\$125,674	7%
Total Expenses and Net	\$1,746,133	100%

COST PER STUDENT	
Total Students	165
Tuition and Fees per Student	\$ 7,958
Cost per Student	\$ 9,821
Net Deficit per Student	\$ (1,863)
Parish Subsidy	\$ 753
Donations	\$ 1,136
Other	\$ 546
Net Revenue per Student	\$ 572

FUNDING PER STUDENT
Supporting Cost of \$9,821

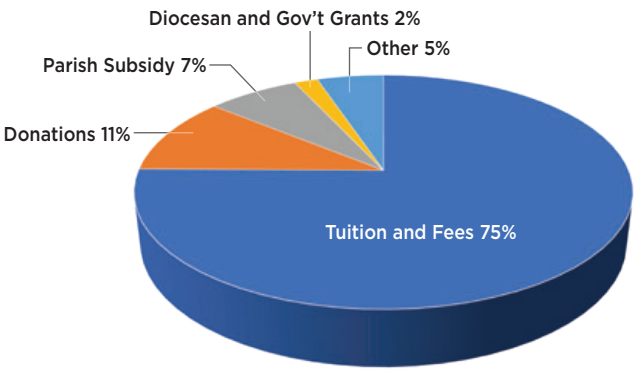


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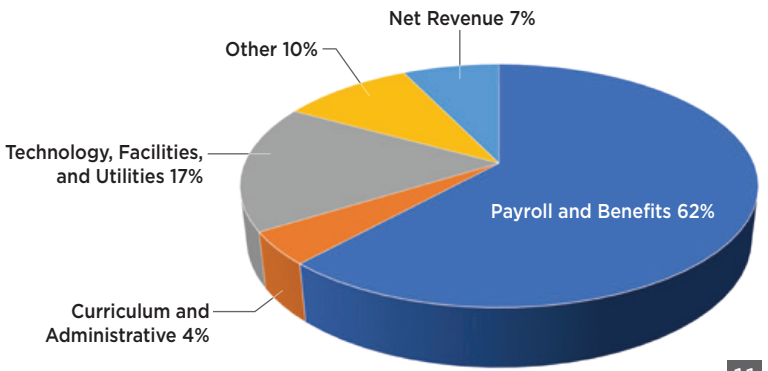
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ASSETS		
Cash, unrestricted	\$ 360,506	
Cash, restricted	\$ 46,427	
Total Cash	\$ 406,933	14%
Endowments	\$ 64,622	2%
Receivables	\$ 1,054,943	38%
Property and Equipment	\$ 1,282,269	46%
Total Assets	\$ 2,808,767	100%

LIABILITIES		
Payables	\$ 14,987	1%
Custodial Obligations	\$ 1,088,177	39%
Unearned Income	\$ 19,977	0.7%
Total Liabilities	\$ 1,123,141	40%
Net Position	\$ 1,685,626	60%
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 2,808,767	100%

REVENUE



EXPENSES AND NET REVENUE





THE MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

