

St. Mary's RECALL



A NEWSLETTER FOR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF ST. MARY'S SCHOOL, SLEEPY EYE, MN • VOLUME 42 • NUMBER 3 • FALL 2026

Expanding PRESCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

St. Mary's is excited to have the opportunity to expand its preschool offerings to provide our families with greater flexibility and more educational options. In the past, we offered half-day programs for both our 3- and 4-year-olds. This year, we continued those half-day options while also introducing an all-day option for 4-year-olds and adding a third-day option for our 3-year-olds.

These changes were developed after surveying our parents and community to better understand the educational options and schedules families were seeking for their children. We are grateful for the opportunity to respond to those needs while continuing to provide a strong Catholic preschool experience for our youngest students.

Expanding the program required a significant investment in our school. We remodeled and refurbished two additional classrooms, expanded our preschool playground, and hired additional staff to support the growing program.

OUR EXPANDED PRESCHOOL AT A GLANCE



Half-day options for 3-year olds and 4-year olds



All-day option for 4-year-olds



Three-day option for 3-year-olds



Strong Catholic foundation in a faith-filled environment



We are especially grateful to the many generous donors who helped make this expansion possible. Support came through the Fund-a-Need at our most recent Caribbean Knights Party, the Knights of Columbus, the Catholic School Center of Excellence, and a generous \$25,000 gift from an anonymous donor.



We are truly blessed by the generosity of our families, parish, and community. Their support has allowed us to expand our preschool program and create welcoming, enriching spaces where our youngest students can learn, grow, and begin their educational journey at St. Mary's.



The **Class of 1961** held their 65-year class reunion on September 11, 2026, at the Sleepy Eye Golf Club. Pictured in the front row (left): Barbara (Braun) Lyon, Celeste, TX; Yvonne (Crouch) Haas, Saint Paul; Marie (Schueller) Weber, Chanhassen; Elaine (Bertrand) Meinert, Sleepy Eye; Carol (Rasmussen) Thompson, Big Lake; Marlene (Haala) Schwartz, Saint Peter and Ginny (Schroepfer) Peichel, Chaska. Back row: Patrick Wurtzberger, Sleepy Eye; Steve Schotzko, Sleepy Eye; Thomas Fromm, Big Lake; William Weber, Chanhassen; Mary (Kruzick) Wilmes, Saint Paul; Reinhold Mathiowetz, Marshall; Marlene (Marks) Engelke, Arlington; Steve Ibberson, Sleepy Eye; Monica (Seidl) Mueller, New Ulm; Robert Zinniel, Sleepy Eye; Eileen (Bruckbauer) Gannon, Duluth and Delrose (Hauser) Stadick, New Ulm. Present but not pictured: Mary Jane (Hauser) Sellner, Sleepy Eye.



The **Class of 1966** held their 60-year reunion on August 1, 2026, at the home of Gerald Braulick. Pictured in the front row seated (left): Connie (Lee) Tretter, Brainerd; Barbara (Hillesheim) Filzen, New Ulm; Janet (Sellner) Braun, Annandale; Jeanne (Haala) Lund, Dassel; Jeanne (Miller) Hume, Eagle Lake; Brenda (Frederickson) Walden, Sleepy Eye; Alice (Hoffmann) Tanley, New Ulm and Mary (Hansen) Bloodgood, Mankato. Second row: James Braun, Annandale; Richard Filzen, New Ulm; DeeAnn (Pietig) Gieseke, Sleepy Eye; Martin Hoffmann, Sleepy Eye; Joan Grausam, Sleepy Eye; Theresa (Sellner) Thomas, Chanhassen; Richard Sellner, Sleepy Eye and Ken Krzmarzick, Stewart. Back row: Jim Fischer, Sleepy Eye; Lynn Bertrand, Annandale; Dennis Krzmarzick, Sleepy Eye; Gary Krzmarzick, New Ulm and Gerald Braulick, Sleepy Eye.



The **Class of 1971** held their 55-year class reunion on September 12, 2026, at the Sleepy Eye Golf Club. Pictured in the front row (left): Tony Schroeffer, Sleepy Eye; Michael Soukup, New Ulm; Shirley (Krzmarzick) Schroeffer, Sleepy Eye; Vicky (Cook) Helget, Sleepy Eye; Patti (Hansen) Anderson, New Ulm and Gerald Sellner, Sleepy Eye. Second row: Doug Dietz, Spicer; Mark Steffl, New Ulm; Dean Hoffmann, Sleepy Eye; John Schueller, Sleepy Eye; Stephen Weiss, Sleepy Eye; Pat Hillesheim, Sleepy Eye; Mark Tauer, Sleepy Eye and Gary Krueger, Glenwood.



The **Class of 1976** held their 50-year class reunion on September 13, 2026, at Sleepy Eye Golf Club. Pictured in the front row (left): Larry Soukup, Sleepy Eye; Larry Fischer, Sleepy Eye; Nancy Carroll, Rochester; Kevin Haala, Brandon, SD; Brenda (Krzmarzick) Schroeffer, Sleepy Eye; Ron Haala, Inver Grove Heights; Deb (Schueller) Brandl, Sleepy Eye; Mary Beth (Sellner) Botz, Sleepy Eye; Marjorie (Horvat) Ruud, Minneapolis and special guest-Jeff Conway, Mesa, AZ. Second row: Loren Braulick, Sleepy Eye; Robert Sellner, Sleepy Eye; Loren Helget, Sleepy Eye; Barb (Schroeffer) Krzmarzick, Sleepy Eye; Jeanette (Sellner) Lax, Sleepy Eye; Chris (Haala) Deibele, Monticello; Linda Fischer, Elko New Market; Kathy Jo (Hansen) Marti, Mankato; Barb (Hoffmann) Miller, Fergus Falls; Mary (Sturm) Krueger, Glenwood; Pamela (Soukup) Penkert, New Ulm and Laurie (Hauser) Tauer, Sleepy Eye and Jerome Meidl, Springfield. Back row: Rick Wintheiser, Vernon Hills, IL; Tom Hansen, Mankato; Jeff Mages, Luverne; Ken Kral, Sleepy Eye; Leon Braun, Sleepy Eye and Michael Schumacher, Wabasha. Present but not pictured: Neil Mangen, Sleepy Eye; Lavern Hauser, Sleepy Eye and Doug Kral, Hanska.



The **Class of 1981** held their 45-year class reunion on July 25, 2026, at the home of Cynthia Surprenant. Pictured in the front row (left): Marcia (Rosenhammer) Schindler, Chatfield; Vicky (Steffl) Kral, Sleepy Eye; Cynthia (Van Keulen) Surprenant; Sleepy Eye and Michele (Neudecker) Asfeld, Chokio. Back row: Ann (Stadick-Thorson, Groton, SD; Ron Zinniel, Sleepy Eye; Donna (Fischer) Dewanz, New Ulm; Jeff Larson, Jacksonville, AR; Doreen (Scherer) Tyler, Sleepy Eye; Connie (Seifert) Schroepfer, Sleepy Eye; Ken Horvat, Lowry and Mark Riebel, Milaca. Present but not pictured: Chris (Berkner) Heiderscheidt, Sleepy Eye.



The **Class of 1991** held their 35-year reunion on August 29, 2026, at the Party by the Pond in New Ulm. Pictured in the front row (left): Patricia (Sellner) Ericksen, Sleepy Eye; Robin (Smith) Rabey, Prior Lake; Holly (Domeier) Portner, New Ulm and Jody (Kuelbs) Beranek, New Ulm. Back row: Ron Dietl, Becker; Brad Wurtzberger, Nicollet; Steve Hoffmann, Milbank, SD; Kelly (Schroepfer) Schewe, New Ulm; Margaret (Tauer) Nuehring, Rockwell, IA and Terry Zinniel, New Ulm.

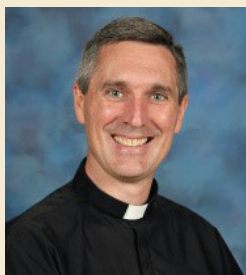
UPCOMING CLASS REUNION

Class of 1986: 40-year reunion, Saturday, October 24, 2026, at the Sleepy Eye Servicemen's Club.
Contact: Lisa (Forster) Hoffmann at 507-276-1675.



The **Class of 1996** held their 30-year reunion August 22, 2026, at Ryan Fischer's home in Sleepy Eye. Pictured in the front row (left): Mark Schroepfer, Sleepy Eye; Ryan Braulick, Sleepy Eye; Bob Eischen, Mankato; Andrew Hoffmann, Sleepy Eye; Ryan Fischer, Sleepy Eye; Christina (Braun) Andres, Sleepy Eye; Heather (Heiderscheidt) Hoffmann, Sleepy Eye; Jacki (Hillesheim) Poppe, Sleepy Eye and Erin (Kachelmeier) Warmbold, Mankato.

Dear Alumni & Friends of St. Mary's School,



Happy Homecoming! I am so grateful for this, our home at St. Mary's. We have a special community, Church and school. I spoke at our all-school Mass about my gratitude for our home here. The "family" support, care, and love we show one another are truly beautiful.

We also work so hard to keep this 'home' in top shape; this summer we had the busiest summer of projects ever! We succeeded in getting a license for a full-day preschool (a HUGE job), put a pitched roof on the high school wing, dug out, waterproofed, and tiled the ground at its base that was leaking into the middle school wing. We added to the preschool playground, added a new preschool room, kindergarten room, and 2nd grade room, added cabinets to five rooms, added a new bell system in high school, and so much more. I am SO grateful to our custodial and support staff who put in huge overtime for us this summer along with many volunteers who helped. Thank YOU for supporting this financially.

We have a special home. But then, in that homecoming homily, I said that we have another home: heaven. Everything we see good about this home on earth is only an image of the goodness of our true home in heaven. Our goal at St. Mary's is not just to prepare students for this home on earth, but for their true home in heaven. We believe that people who are living lives of faith in Jesus Christ and striving to be true disciples, men and women who follow the way of Jesus as passed on in the Catholic Church, will be the men and women of virtue that our world needs

right now.

We at St. Mary's are here to build the kingdom of God. How do we do that? This week we celebrate one of the best examples of this: Bishop Fulton Sheen is being beatified! What a huge day for the Church in the United States. He was one of the greatest evangelists of the last century. Millions of people were brought to love the Catholic faith through his T.V. and radio programs. He showed us how to bring the Catholic faith to the world today. He once said something like this: We are no longer living in a world governed by Christian values. That simply is the reality that we need to accept. But that reality calls us to rally close to the heart of Christ and to live our Catholic faith more faithfully as radical witnesses! Just as the Apostles brought the teaching of Jesus to the world in a powerful way, we must be the witnesses who do this today, here, in our home.

At our faculty retreat this year we reflected on how God has worked in our lives and at St. Mary's and considered how He wants to work this year to evangelize. This first means that we, the faculty and staff, have to be witnesses to our faith to our students and families. Then, we can share our faith in a truly authentic way. Our recent Popes have called this being 'missionary disciples'.

I am so grateful to each of you and all the ways you support St. Mary's financially, with your time and talents, that allows us to do this. Please continue to support our Annual Appeal, Scholarship Fund, Marathon and plan on coming to our Caribbean Knight party on Feb. 6, 2027! Remember, God will never be out done in generosity!

Jesus, I Trust in You.

Fr. Craig Timmerman, Pastor-Superintendent

HOMECOMING 2026



St. Mary's School held their Homecoming coronation on Sunday, September 13. Congratulations to this year's **Homecoming King Ethan Schwartz**, son of **Tim ('99)** and **Cassie**, and **Queen Eva Schweiss**, daughter of **Logan** and **Lynne "Tork" (Berkner '89)**. Congratulations to the homecoming court: **Kylie Pelzel**, daughter of **John ('01)** and **Geri (Carr '02)**; **Morgan Mathiowetz**, daughter of **Matt ('04)** and **Brynn (Braulick '05)**; **Taylor Mathiowetz**, daughter of **Scott ('95)** and **Kayla**; **Brynn Ibberson**, daughter of **Ryan ('97)** and **Deanne (Sellner '95)**; **Brecken Hulke**, son of **Ryan** and **Breau Hulke** and the late **Nicole (Steffl '01) Fuchs** and **Paul Fuchs ('03)**; **Adam Steffensmeier**, son of **Jamey** and **Beth (Hoffmann '94)**; **Nick Tauer**, son of **Ron ('87)** and **Stacy (Hillesheim**

'00) and **Eli Christensen**, son of **Mark** and **Ann** and junior attendants: **Ben Pietig**, son of **Jeff ('07)** and **Caitlyn** and **Virginia Hirsch**, daughter of **Jacob ('97)** and **Dana**. The Homecoming football game was held on Friday, September 18, with Sleepy Eye United defeating Murray County Central 48-28.

MARATHON FOR NON-PUBLIC EDUCATION



St. Mary's Catholic School celebrated its annual Marathon for Non-Public Education on Friday, September 18, in conjunction with Homecoming. Rain or not, our school spirit remained strong as we began with a beautiful all-school Mass and then gathered in the gym where **Fr. Craig Timmerman** blessed the students before we walked thru the school.

Thank you to the amazing generosity of our students' families and friends as well as our alumni for all the generous donations received so far! We feel so very blessed by all of the support for St. Mary's. Our goal this year is \$60,000. It's not too late to give if you wish. Thank you for supporting St. Mary's Catholic School!

KNIGHTS OF OLDE ANNUAL GATHERING

A gathering for men who attended or graduated from St. Mary's Catholic School.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2026
Social: 11:00 AM Lunch: 12:30 PM

LOST SPUR COUNTRY CLUB
2750 Sibley Memorial Hwy 13
Eagan, MN 55121

RSVP to **Ron Haala** (required for meal)

651-451-1846 or
email: ron.haala@gmail.com

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IN TOUCH WITH ALUMNI by Teresa (Seifert '64) Wenisch



I was quite honored to be asked to be featured in St. Mary's Recall, as my Catholic faith has been a major part of my life.

Growing up in a family of ten — five older and four younger, including a set of twins and the "Seifert quadruplets" — was interesting, to say the least!

My parents set great examples for us: praying before meals (with a Hail Mary added), going to Mass every Sunday, kneeling to recite the rosary every evening during Lent, and sending us to Catholic school starting in 7th grade — a financial burden, especially when there were five of us there at once.

Coming to St. Mary's was an exciting adventure for us, especially for me. Going from a class of three at Iberia Country School to a class of 30 or more, with the Sisters of St. Francis as our teachers, was quite a change.

My senior year, 1964, was probably the best. I'll always remember the fun we had practicing our senior class play, Carousel, and watching the senior boys try to learn the dance steps to that great musical — our whole class was involved. We had a lot of fun, and it shows: we still have great turnouts at our class reunions!

In 1966, I married Jim Wenisch at St. Mary's Church and moved to Lamberton, where my husband managed the Lamberton Redi Mix plant for over 30 years. We bought a farm a mile and a half

from town, where we raised crops, cattle, and a few horses. It was there we raised our seven children.

When a friend of mine learned I'd graduated from St. Mary's, she got me teaching CCD religion classes, which I continued for over 40 years and still substitute for when needed. Two of my children have since taken over the teaching for me.

In 1996, we lost our oldest son, Terry, in a vehicle accident. That loss was an eye-opener for our whole family, showing us just how important it is to have our Catholic faith and parish family to fall back on.

I've tried to stay involved in our parish at St. Joseph. Over the years I've served as president, secretary, and treasurer of our parish CCW. Growing up, girls didn't take part in Mass beyond singing, but thanks to church leaders who welcomed women to the altar, I now serve as an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion, a lector, a member of the choir, a sacristan, a money counter, and a rosary leader. I also belong to the Seven Sisters, praying for our priest.

My husband was a resident at St. John's Nursing Home in Springfield, so I volunteered to distribute Communion there, and I also helped with Communion at the Lamberton nursing home.

I still live on the farm with cats, a big German shepherd, and cattle, which our son takes care of. Come fall, you'll find me combining the corn and beans — they leave me the trucks, and I fill them! I sign my cards, "Grandma Teresa, on the farm!"

Editor's note: Teresa was also crowned Homecoming Queen — an honor she modestly left out of her write-up!

WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S



We are excited for another school year as we welcome our new staff members (left):

Sr. Mary Grace - High School Theology

Mrs. Beth Steffl - Kindergarten Teacher

Ms. Rachel Sickler - 4th Grade Teacher

Mr. Ross Hebel - High School Math and Science

Mrs. Cheyenne Runck, Preschool Teacher

Not pictured: **Jonathan Ceplecha** - Long-term High School English sub and **Sheila Forster** - Long-term Middle School teacher sub.

Thank you for your role in Catholic education at St. Mary's.

Alumni & Friends Basketball Tournament

Saturday, January 2, 2027

Contact Bruce Woitas (507-220-0410) to register your team by December 16.

Entry Fee: \$140 per team



ALUMNI & FRIENDS GOLF TOURNAMENT



Congratulations to the winning team of St. Mary's 36th annual Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament held on September 12, 2026: (left) **Zach Maurer**, **Mitch Maurer** ('77) and **Scott Maurer** ('98). Second place team was **Sean Mathiowetz** ('13), **Troy Altmann** and **Brandon Fox**. Flight two, first place team: **Kyle Goblirsch** ('21), **Dallas Bauer** ('19) and **Riley Strate** ('21). Flight two, second place team: **Kevin Helget** ('76), **Leah Weiss** ('19) and **Kenny Kral** ('76). Longest drive: **George Schwint** ('97) and **Lexie (Weiss '14) Altmann**. Closest to the pin: **Andy Hawkins**. Longest putt: **Rob Brandl** ('03).

Thank you to **Dan Schmid** ('95) and **Judd Walter** ('98) for organizing this fundraiser. Thank you to the 20 teams who participated in this year's tournament generating proceeds of \$3,732.56 for our athletic department. Thank you to the following businesses for their sponsorship:

- **Chuck Spaeth Ford**
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Thank you to the following volunteers: **Jeff Koewler**, **Mary Woitas** and **Leah Weiss**. Thank you to **St. Mary's Booster Club** and **St. Mary's Catering Service** for donating door prizes.

Mark your calendars for next year's tournament on September 11, 2027!

HAALA INDUCTED INTO HALL OF FAME



Ron Haala

Congratulations to **Ron Haala** as he was inducted into The Simley High School Hall of Fame on September 3, 2026. The Simley High School Hall of Fame recognizes individuals who have distinguished themselves through academic, artistic, athletic, and humanitarian achievement.

Ron graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1976, where he found guidance he still carries with him today. "I learned to work hard and be dedicated from watching my teachers, especially Mr. Pelzel and Fr. Schmit," he said.

After graduating from college in Mankato, he began teaching and coaching at Simley High School until he retired in 2017.

To read more about Ron's accomplishments and his induction into the Simley Hall of Fame, visit: <https://medium.com/@krumriematt/simley-hall-of-fame-meet-the-class-of-2026-37640a210406>

ALL SCHOOL REUNION

On July 25, 2026, alumni and friends of St. Mary's Catholic School gathered at the Sleepy Eye Event Center for our All School Reunion — a tradition that began in 1976 during our parish centennial and has continued every ten years since.



The celebration kicked off earlier that day with a well-attended open house at the school itself, giving guests the chance to walk the halls, revisit old classrooms, and share memories of their years at St. Mary's.

Once again, the reunion proved to be a wonderful opportunity for generations of alumni to reconnect, reminisce, and celebrate the lasting bonds formed at St. Mary's. From shared stories of favorite teachers to laughter over old classroom antics, the day was a heartfelt reminder of the education and faith that have shaped so many lives over the decades.

Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them

(Includes obituaries received through September 22, 2026)



Sister Audrey Goldschmidt, 89, died on August 24, 2026. Sister Audrey graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1955. She began teaching at St. Mary's in 1985, and later transitioned to serving as a teacher's aide until 1997 when she took on the task of helping clean the school. She was inducted into St. Mary's Hall of Fame receiving the Service Achievement Award in 2008. After 31 years of faithful service, Sr. Audrey retired to the Sisters of St. Francis Motherhouse in Rochester, where she lived out the rest of her days.

Patrick Mathiowetz, 74, died on April 2, 2025. Patrick graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1968. He is survived by his wife Jane (Boettger '68) and their children, Dean (Inti Flores) and Jeff (Allison).

Robert "Bob" Leggon Jr., 64, died on March 31, 2026. He is survived by his wife Carmella (Schmitz '85) and their children, Robert III, Zachary and Nicole.

William Moldaschel, 88, died on May 16, 2026. He graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1955 and is survived by his daughters, Lea Ann and Jennifer.

Kenneth Wenner, 91, died on June 6, 2026. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis (Mathiowetz '59).

Edwin Trembl, 87, died on June 6, 2026. Ed graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1956 and is survived by his wife Annette and their children, Todd ('83) (Janet Schotzko '83) and Elizabeth ('92) (Jamie) Sobolik.

Leo Braun, 84, died on June 19, 2026. He graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1959 and is survived by his children, LeeAnn, Tom (Julia) and Bob (Shannon). He was inducted into St. Mary's Hall of Fame in 2020.

Al Fischer, 77, died on June 24, 2026. Al graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1967. He is survived by his son, Brett.

Bernice (Sellner) Goldschmidt, 95, died on July 8, 2026. Bernice graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1948 and is survived by her children, Gail (Daryl) Sonnabend, Gwen (John '71) Schueller, Gregg (Deb), Gene (Shawna).

Patricia A. Mathiowetz, 79, died on July 10, 2026. Her late husband Vince attended St. Mary's School. She is survived by her sons, Gregory (Alex) and Gary.

Nicholas Lux, 86, died on July 11, 2026. He attended St. Mary's School and is survived by his wife, Irene and their children, Michelle ('86) (Mark) Yungbauer and Matthew ('88).

Greg Witt, 72, died on July 19, 2026. He graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1972 and is survived by his wife, Mona and daughters, Megan Meier and Alisha Hayes.

Dwayne "Duke" Schroeder, 83, died on July 29, 2026. He is survived by his wife, Veronica (Marso '62) and their daughters, Janelle (Michael) Roban and Ann.

Patricia "Patty" Rosenhammer, 62, died on August 4, 2026. She is survived by her husband John ('80) and their children, Joe ('08) (Katie), Laura ('10) (Chris) Scholtz, Mary ('14) (Kyle) Fischer, Rebecca ('16) (Chad) U'Ren and John ('17).

Leon Tauer, 94, died on August 11, 2026. He attended St. Mary's School and is survived by his wife Lorraine (Helget) and their children, Jeane ('75) (Dave) Havemeier and Loren ('80).

Myrtle "Myrt" Riebel, 84, died on August 19, 2026. She is survived by her children, David ('80) (Nancee), Mark ('81) (Kathy), Gwen ('82) (Darrel) Brey, and Sue ('84) (Blaine) Lueck.

Medard Haala, 74, died on August 22, 2026. Medard graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1970.

Linda "Lindy" (Goblirsch) Schroepfer, 79, died on August 26, 2026. Lindy graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1965. She is survived by her husband, Dick ('63) and their children, April ('92), Scott ('93) (Melissa) and Gina ('96).

Kathleen Ann Huberty, 81, died on August 26, 2026. Kathleen graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1963.

Marlene (Riederer) Johnson, 81, died on August 27, 2026. Marlene graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1962. She is survived by her husband, Tom and their children, Brian and Jody (Dave) Schmiesing.

Monica (Marti) Warwick, 85, died on September 2, 2026. Monica graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1959. She is survived by her children, Catherine ('80) Breiholz, Jeffrey ('81) Mathiowetz, Timothy ('83) Mathiowetz, Carrie ('85) (Vincent) Mueller, Kevin (Liz) Mathiowetz, Jonathan ('97) Mathiowetz, Ann ('00) Warwick, Gwen ('00) Roiger and Daniel Warwick.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT

July 1, 2025- June 30, 2026

Alumni & Friends Annual Appeal Fund Donors

Our total received during this fiscal year was \$193,612.73. This fund helps pay for teacher/school personnel salaries. Thank you to the following individuals who contributed to this fund:

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Fohl, Mick and Helen estate	Kral, Roger '61 & Sharon (Schroepfer) '64	Schwartz, John '74
Koll, Thomas '70	Mathiowetz, Brian and Ronda	Schwartz, Joseph '72
Konz, Leo '61	Nolan, Janet (Kotten) '55	Treml, Todd '83 & Janet (Schotzko) '83

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Carr, Mike and Tammy	Miller, Mark and Joanne	Sellner, Phil '74
Cook, Wayne '68	Peichel, Robert '72	Sellner, Randy '91
Harmon, Deborah (Fritz) '67	Pelzel, Wayne '68 & Pattie (Pietig) '70	Steffl, Andrew '14
Hillesheim, Michael '70	Roufs, Peter and Shelley	Steffl, Mark '71
Hillesheim, Steve '63 & Lois (Olsen) '63	Rubey, Dr. Robert '65	Tauer, Dan and Mary
Hoffmann, Gary '68 & Marie (Seifert) '68	Savage, Rex '53	Tauer, John '89
Hoffmann, Michael '63 & Marjorie (Braun) '65	Scheid, Cindy (Goblirsch) '82	Treml, Edwin '56
Hoffmann, Patrick '64	Schmid, Dan '95 & Sheila (Sellner) '96	Ubl, David '65
Ibberson, Steven '61	Schmitz, Jessica '13	Wendinger, Shirley (Schmitz) '58
Juettner, Fred	Schwartz, Emily '03	Woessner, Donald '75
Kersten, Connie <i>in mem of Msgr. John Richter</i>	Schwartz, Mark '80	Wurtzberger, Florian '64
Krzmarzick, Donna '59	Schweiss, Lynne "Tork" (Berkner) '89 <i>in mem of Colleen Berkner & Glenn Berkner</i>	

The Magnificat ♦ Gifts of \$500 - \$999

Braulick, Briar '08 & Heidi (Carr) '08	Hoffmann, Robert W. '65	Moldaschel, Lucille (Mathiowetz) '52
Breuer, Deborah (Sellner) '68	Huberty, John '57	Schmitz, Paul '81 & Debra (Krzmarzick) '80
Carr, Roger and Candis	Huberty, Robert '55	Schroepfer, Linda (Gehrke) '65
Carroll, Mary '74	Krzmarzick, Gary '66	Schwartz, Peter '09
Conrad, Tom '79 <i>in mem of Dan Conrad</i> '73	Krzmarzick, James '68	Tauer, David '98
Currans, Emma '21	Krzmarzick, Randy '74	Tauer, Peggy A. (Krzmarzick) '49
Fromm, David '68 & Janis (Miller) '68	Lax, Mark '05	Tauer, Robert '59 & Darlene (Boettger) '64
Ganske, Karen	LeVoor, Bishop John	Willhite, Jean
Goettig-Ruddy, Gwyn '69	Ludewig, Bernice (Hillesheim) '53	Windschitl, Gina (Roiger) '84
Heiderscheidt, Diane (Schroepfer) '62	Maurer, Diane (Ludewig) '67	
Hoffmann, Martin '66	McCabe, Russ & Ann	

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Arbes, Richard '59	Condon, Kathy (Dietz) '78	Gangelhoff, Greg '78 & Mary (Hoffmann) '78
Barnett, Catherine (Mack) '55	Dalbec, Katie (Schotzko) '79	Goblirsch, David and Michelle
Barnum, Linda (Lochner) '82	DeLeon, Kathleen (Schnobrich) '61	Goblirsch, Dean '84
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