



St. Helen Catholic School

Annual Report & Appeal
2025-2026



Rooted in Catholic tradition since 1940

Dear Friends of St. Helen Catholic School,

Every morning, our students walk through the doors of St. Helen with bright eyes, open hearts, and a desire to grow closer to Christ. They pray together, learn together, serve together, and discover the truth of who God is calling them to be. This is the sacred work entrusted to our school forming scholars and leaders rooted in faith.

This year, our theme “Rooted in Christ” reminds us that strong faith grows from deep roots:

“Let your roots grow down into Him, and let your lives be built on Him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.” — Colossians 2:7

At a time when children face confusion, instability, and cultural noise, St. Helen Catholic School stands as a place of clarity, purpose, and peace. Here, our students encounter Christ daily in Mass, in the classroom, in service, and in one another. They are learning not only how to succeed academically, but how to live with virtue, courage, and moral conviction.

Your generosity makes this possible.

Because of donors like you, we have been able to:

- Invest in updated instructional materials, extended learning support, and enrichment opportunities that challenge and inspire
- Ensure every student has access to safe facilities, and dedicated, highly qualified teachers
- Provide financial aid to families who desire a Catholic education but cannot afford it
- Offer clubs, athletics, arts, and service groups that help students discover their gifts and develop confidence

This year, we are asking for your support to strengthen the heart of our school our Annual Fund.

The Annual Fund bridges the gap between tuition and the true cost of education. It ensures we can keep St. Helen strong, safe, and thriving for every child. Your gift directly supports:

- Classroom resources & curriculum enhancements
- Security, technology, and campus maintenance
- Faith-formation opportunities like retreats, adoration, and sacramental prep
- Teacher support & professional development
- Financial aid for families in need

Every gift whether \$25, \$250, or \$2,500 makes an immediate and meaningful difference.

This is more than a donation. This is formation. This is mission. This is legacy.

When you give to St. Helen Catholic School, you are investing in the spiritual, academic, and moral formation of children who will go on to strengthen our Church, our community, and our world.

We humbly ask you to prayerfully consider a gift to the 2025-2026 Annual Appeal. Together, we can ensure that St. Helen remains a place where children encounter Christ, discover their gifts, and grow into the young men and women God intends them to be. Thank you for your generosity, your faith, and your belief in Catholic education.

With heartfelt gratitude,



Debbie Irish
Principal





St. Helen Catholic School at a Glance

A vibrant, faith-filled learning community rooted in Christ.

School Profile

- 236 Students
- 89% Catholic / All Faiths Welcome
- 95% Students Receive Financial Aid
- 39 Faculty & Staff
- Average Teaching Experience: 17 years
- 50% Advanced Degrees

Faculty rooted in faith, dedicated to excellence.

Faith & Formation

- Daily Mass
- Adoration
- Confession & Sacramental Prep
- Altar Serving & Lectoring
- Virtue in Education
- Service Projects

Faith is not what we teach - it's who we are.

Academics

- Spanish Pre-K-8
- STEM
- Reading Intervention
- Math Enrichment
- Algebra I + Spanish I
- Music, Art, PE

Excellence in every grade. Purpose in every lesson.

Extracurriculars

- Vibrant Sports Program
- Student Council
- National Junior Honor Society
- Music Club and Choir
- Sisters in Spirit
- Spirit Squad
- Guardian Angel Program

Where passions become purpose.

Rooted in Christ. Growing in Excellence.



Faith



Daily mass, adoration, vocation awareness, and sacramental prep shape students to become Christ-centered leaders.



Academics



Enrichment program, advanced middle school coursework, Spanish Pre-K-8, STEM, and individualized support programs help every child thrive.



Service



Students serve others year-round through parish and community projects, growing in compassion, leadership, and living our mission.

Planted in Purpose: Two New Programs

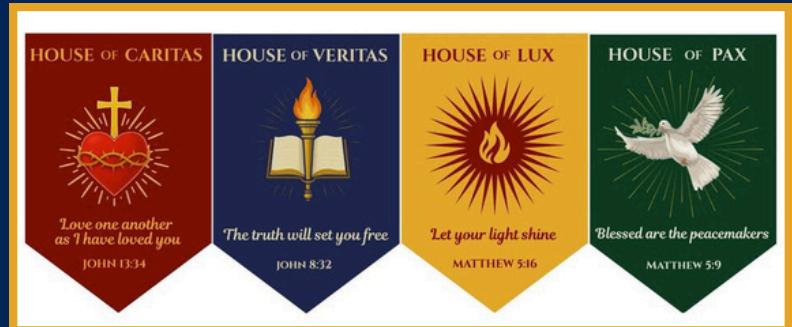
Guardian Angel Program

A beautiful new Guardian Angel Program was launched this year, pairing our youngest students with our oldest: Pre-K with 8th grade, Kindergarten with 7th, and 1st grade with 6th. These special pairs sit together at daily Mass, share fun activities, and form meaningful relationships that brighten our hallways with smiles, hugs, and joy. The program has quickly become a heartwarming, faith-filled tradition that helps our children grow as leaders and disciples.



Middle School House System

Another exciting initiative that we introduced this school year is our Middle School House System, placing all 6th, 7th, and 8th graders into four houses: Veritas (Truth), Caritas (Love), Lux (Light), and Pax (Peace). Students earn points for academics, behavior, service, virtue, and friendly competitions, and each quarter the winning house enjoys a special reward. The House System is already proving to be very successful, strengthening community, building leadership, deepening faith, and fostering positive bonds through teamwork and encouragement.



Your generosity strengthens faith, academics, and the future of Catholic education.

You help us:

- ✓ Keep tuition affordable for families
- ✓ Fund classroom improvements and academic resources
- ✓ Enhance safety and security
- ✓ Support teacher excellence
- ✓ Sustain our Catholic identity through daily Mass, adoration, confession and sacramental preparation



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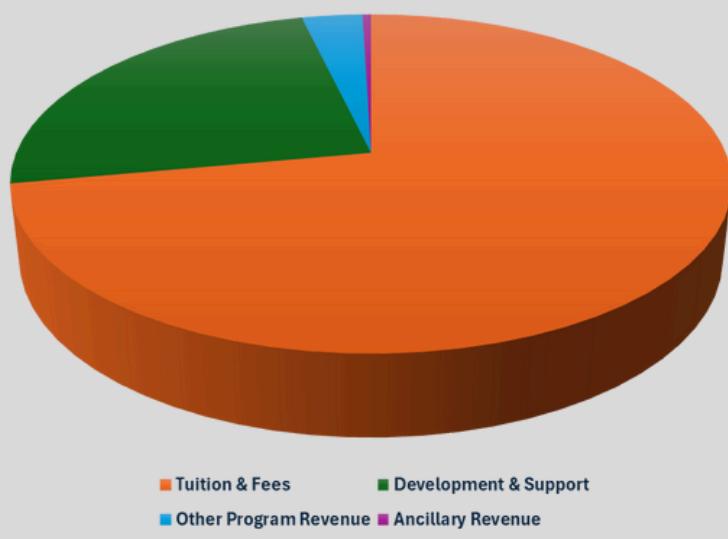
Our 2025-2026 Annual Appeal Goal

\$ 50,000

100% of gifts stay here at St. Helen Catholic School and directly benefit our students!

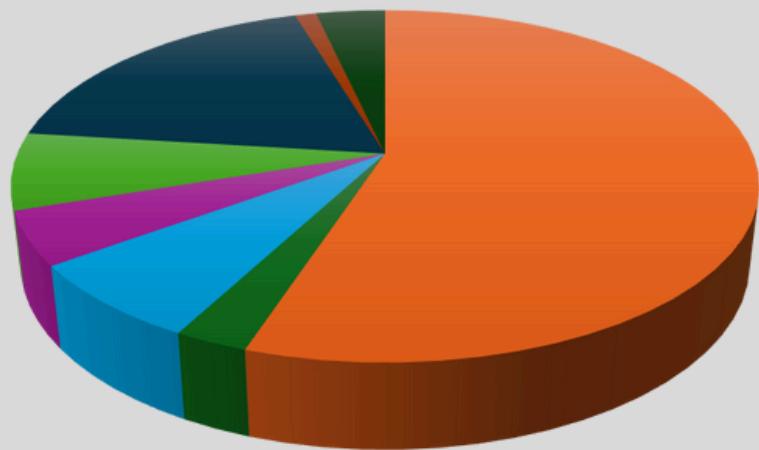
Financial Budget

Revenue



Tuition & Fees	\$2,569,741.00
Development & Support	\$862,000.00
Other Program Revenue	\$116,000.00
Ancillary Revenue	\$16,000.00

Expenses



All Salaries	\$1,962,626.00
Development Cost	\$96,625.00
Fixed Expenses	\$256,380.00
Administrative Costs	\$174,500.00

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Instructional Supplies	\$96,625.00
Administrative Costs	\$256,380.00
Development Cost	\$174,500.00
Plant Cost	\$251,800.00
Employee Benefits	\$655,689.00
Fixed Expenses	\$39,000.00
Ancillary & Other Expenses	\$126,939.00



Dear Friends in Christ,

At St. Helen Catholic School, our children are growing in faith every day, learning what it means to root their lives in Christ. This year's theme, "Rooted in Christ," beautifully reflects the mission we share as a parish community: to form young disciples who know, love, and follow Jesus with joyful hearts.

I am deeply grateful for the parents, grandparents, parishioners, and friends who support this mission. Your generosity strengthens our school, uplifts our teachers, and provides our students with an environment where faith is lived, taught, and embraced. Every gift you offer helps ensure that our children continue to grow in wisdom, virtue, and the love of God.

Please know of my prayers for you and your loved ones. May God bless you abundantly for the goodness you share with our school and for the ways you help our children grow strong in Christ.

In Christ,
Fr. Matthew DeGance

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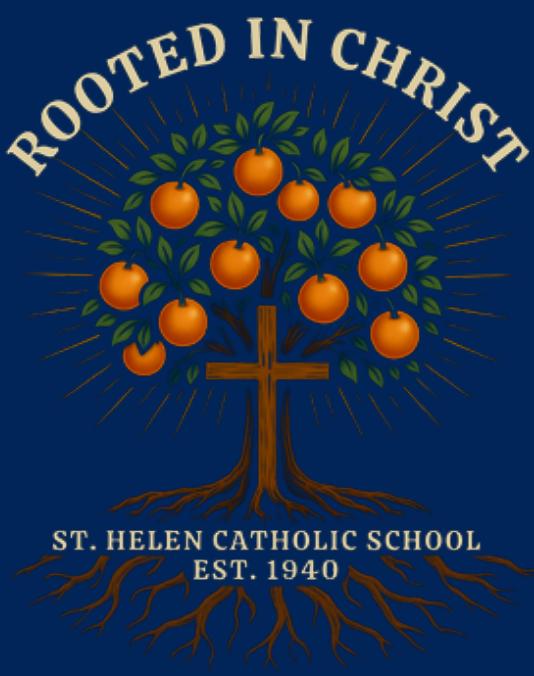
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