



2009 Annual Fund Report

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A Message From the Principal

It is my great pleasure to present the annual report of giving for St. Joseph School. Each year as we prepare this report, it becomes so much more than a report for St. Joseph. It is more than words and listing of faithful friends. Indeed, it is our story...a story of love, loyalty, passion, excellence, faith, and appreciation. Thankfully, our story at St. Joseph is rooted in our ancestors for our beginning, supported throughout the years by our loyal and faithful community for our middle, and seemingly sees no end in sight. St. Joseph School continues to write chapter after chapter...year after year. As the authors of our continued story rich in academic excellence, faith and spiritual formation, I thank you for your continued gifts to St. Joseph School and the children we serve.

Last fall, we celebrated the 140th Anniversary of St. Joseph Parish. I have often wondered what our founding parishioners would think of the story we are writing today. I believe that they would be proud of the ongoing efforts to support Catholic Education and build our future church. It is a well known and documented fact that Catholic Schools are among the most cost effective and efficient organizations that deliver high-caliber academic education while remaining committed to the formation of a new generation of Catholics. Who will tell the story of our Lord without preparing future leaders of our church? Who will tell the story of St. Joseph's ancestors who believed in the dream that we are living today? We will tell the story, but it is a story that can only be continued through your contributions of prayer, service, and financial support to St. Joseph School. The story that you read in these pages is a true story and celebration of philanthropy alive and well 140 years later. I know that St. Joseph School is a worthy recipient of your philanthropy and am confident that your gifts have been invested wisely and stewarded properly on behalf of our children.

In recent years, St. Joseph School has enjoyed unparalleled success. This month, our school once again applied for the prestigious honor of the National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence by meeting the criteria of the top 10% ranking of schools in our country. Upon learning that our students scored in the top 10% in both reading and math scores, we were honored to submit our second application in four years. It is no secret that St. Joseph has consistently exceeded state and national standards throughout the years. This distinguished record stems from the dedication of our faculty, support of our families, and commitment for our community to provide a challenging environment rooted in spiritual and academic excellence. The role that every member contributes in our success can not and will not be minimized. Without your gifts, SJS future may not be as bright. Without this bright future, our children wouldn't have the opportunity to thrive in the St. Joseph School experience that prepares them with a foundation that is second to none! Our story continues to be a story of success because so many rise to the challenge of stewardship shouting in one voice that we are loyal, faithful, and true to our beginning.

With great pride, we will continue to share our story for this generation and the generation to come. As you read this story, read with the knowledge that each and every giver has given from the heart as a testimony to the rich tradition of St. Joseph. This report is not a listing of names. Rather, each name is an author continuing to write a new chapter to this amazing story.

As we write the chapter for the story of the 2009-10 school year, St. Joseph School Faculty and staff will continue to work tirelessly to create the environment that inspires, challenges, and supports our children to develop a loving relationship with God, lead the church of our future, and achieve academic excellence. In today's economy, we know every dollar makes a difference. Thank you for investing in our children, our community, our future, and our story at St. Joseph. May God's blessing be with you as He continues to give us all strength and wisdom to write one of the greatest stories ever told.

Many Blessings,
Lynne Scheffler
Miss Lynne Scheffler

Dear Friends of St. Joseph,

On behalf of the Saint Joseph Advancement Board, please accept our appreciation for all that you have done for St. Joseph School over the last year. As parishioners, current/alumni parents and alumni of SJS, we share with you the passion for excellence at SJS and know that your continued support will allow us to achieve even more! Thanks for being a "giving" part of the St. Joseph family. Annual Fund proceeds directly impact all students, teachers, and educational programs. Funds have been allocated for Franciscan of the Sacred Heart Scholarships, SJS endowment fund, educational improvements, student's temporary assistance fund, and budget needs. Most significantly, the financial support has enabled us to maintain an affordable tuition, which continues to have an evident effect on our enrollment.

Each gift St. Joseph School receives truly makes a difference, particularly in these challenging times. With the state of the economy, with all the opportunities and excitement around us, and with all the ways you've been asked and encouraged to give, so many parishioners, parents, alumni and friends continued to support our mission, our ideas and idealism, and continuous improvement, which has become a hallmark of a St. Joseph School education. No amount of dedication and service can succeed without such sacrifice and generosity. Thank you. This faithful support is reflected in this 2009 Annual Report. Your investment lies within each smiling face that you will see on the following pages.

Thank you and congratulations for all that you continue to do in support of St. Joseph School's mission. We absolutely count on all of your support and humbly accept your generous blessings you continue to give us. Thank you also for the example of leadership you are demonstrating with your gifts. Please know that you breathe life into the mission of this school.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Michelle Ray

Michelle Ray

Director of Advancement

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another record breaking year...Annual
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for St. Joseph School!**

Your gift to St. Joseph School enables us to continue the fine traditions of our past... our present... and our future.



Please remember to keep St. Joseph School in your long-term financial planning. An outright gift to St. Joseph School from your estate, whatever the amount, is entirely free from federal estate taxes. Giving by bequest costs nothing now, yet it may give you a great deal of satisfaction to know that your future gift will live on for the benefit of St. Joseph School. If you wish to make a tax-deductible donation to St. Joseph School, please send to our Advancement Office at **529 Madison St., Lockport, IL 60441**. If you would like additional information on giving to St. Joseph School, please contact: **Michelle Ray - Director of Advancement - St. Joseph School Advancement Office: 815- 838-0415 or sjsdevelopment@sbcglobal.net**

The following list represents gifts made between February 2009 and November 30th, 2009. Every effort has been made to make this list as accurate as possible. If something is not correct, please accept our sincere apologies and contact the school with corrections. We hope that you will continue to support the efforts of the St. Joseph School Family. Together, we can preserve the St. Joseph School tradition of excellence and pass on the gift of Catholic education to future generations. Please also thank the businesses that gave to the appeal with your patronage and let them know you appreciate their support of St. Joseph School.

Thank you for
giving the children of
St. Joseph Parish
a hand

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