

10 Year Anniversary



Annual Report



MOVING FORWARD IN FAITH

A Letter From Our Principal & Pastor



Dear Family, Friends and Generous Supporters,

It is said that time flies when you're having fun. Well, we must be having a great deal of fun at Annunciation because, somehow, here we are – ten years old! It is hard to believe it has been ten years since that memorable summer when a handful of dedicated, faithful parents helped Father Dennis and me bring this school into being. The tiny seed that was planted has grown tremendously in size and mission. For those who don't know (or have forgotten) our brief, but exciting, history read on for the story of Annunciation Catholic School in a nutshell.

On May 12, 2009, Bishop Thomas Olmsted signed the articles of incorporation that established Annunciation Catholic School, and Fr. Dennis O'Rourke became our Founding Father. On May 27, 2009, I was hired as the founding principal, and on June 23 I moved to Cave Creek from Minnesota. During the next six weeks, a handful of founding families put in many long hours to turn a large meeting room into two classrooms, furnished with hand-me-down furniture and donated supplies. It was a magical summer for those who were here, as we watched a dream become a reality.

On August 12, 2009, Annunciation opened its doors for the first time to twenty-three first and second grade students. Many of our ACS traditions were initiated during that first amazing year. The founding students and their families were instrumental in establishing a culture of faith and family that continues to this day. With each consecutive year, another grade was added, and our enrollment grew steadily. In the fall of 2015, we reached full K-8 status and graduated our first students in the spring of 2016. We have now graduated four classes and are proud of our 100% acceptance rate into Catholic High Schools. Last year we reached another milestone when we became fully accredited through the Western Catholic Education Association.

On August 12, 2019, we celebrated the tenth anniversary of the first day of school at Annunciation, and on August 13, we opened the doors to 230 students – exactly ten times the enrollment ten years ago! As if this year isn't exciting enough, we are now on the verge of breaking ground for our new campus building project. Soon we will have a permanent school building, permanent worship space, and new outdoor athletic and play areas. It is amazing to reflect on how far we have come in our first decade.

From the moment of its inception it has been abundantly apparent that God willed this school into being. Through His continued Grace, Annunciation has overcome many challenges and obstacles, and has become a successful and thriving school. It also took the time, talent and treasure of many people to bring this school to where it is today and ensure a strong tomorrow. Every one of you has had a part in bringing our school from its humble beginnings to the success it is today and has provided the foundation for a bright and hopeful future. I am grateful for all you have done -- your faith, your service, your financial support, and your prayers. ACS would not be what it is today without each of you.

Sharon H. Pristash

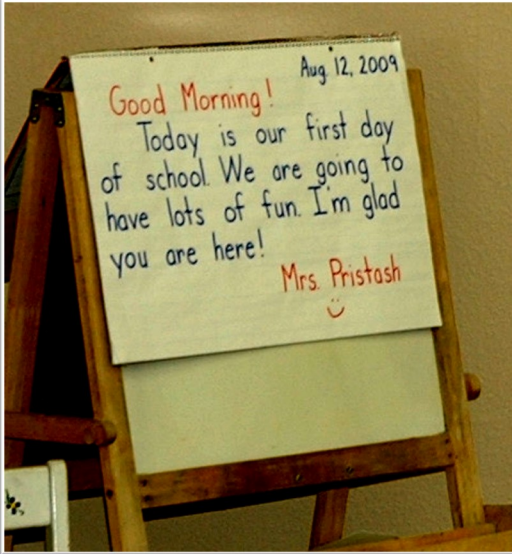
Dr. Sharon H. Pristash
Principal

Father John Slobig

Father John Slobig

A Look Back In Time

On August 12, 2009, Annunciation opened its doors to 23 students in first and second grade. Ten years later, Annunciation Catholic School welcomed 230 students in Kindergarten through 8th grade. Over the years, St. Gabriel Catholic Parish and Annunciation Catholic School have become the spiritual and educational home to hundreds of children. In our short history, many of our FIRSTS have become traditions here at Annunciation Catholic School.



Pictured: Dr. Sharon Pristash (Principal, 2nd Grade Teacher), Fr. Dennis O'Rourke, Bishop Thomas Olmsted, Fr. Ben Onegiu, Mrs. Marion Patzem, 1st Grade Teacher.

First Day of School

School Blessing by Bishop Thomas Olmsted



Art Room



Library



Computer Lab



Grassy Play Area



Christmas Concert



Community Prayer

A Look Back In Time

2010-2011



New Library



Bishop Navares' Visit



Laptops



All Saints Parade



May Crowning



First Birthday

2011-2012



Clay Club



Chess Club



Spanish Club



Young Rembrandts



PE Teacher



Daddy/Daughter Dance



Thanksgiving Feast



Food Drive

A Look Back In Time

2012-2013



Girls' Volleyball



Boys' Basketball



Karate Club



Altar Servers



Signage



Science Fair

2013-2014



Trailers for K-3



Moving Day



Christmas Parade



1st Kindergarten Class



Guitar Club

A Look Back In Time

2014-2015



STREAM



Walk-a-thon



Student Led Fundraiser for Cancer

2015-2016



Student Council



8th Grade Service Project



Class of 2016 Gift -Trophy Case

First Class to Graduate



A Look Back In Time

2016-2017



Youth Conference of St Vincent de Paul



Musical



1st Basketball Trophy



Class of 2017 Gift- Building Sign



Student Ambassadors



Baseball Team

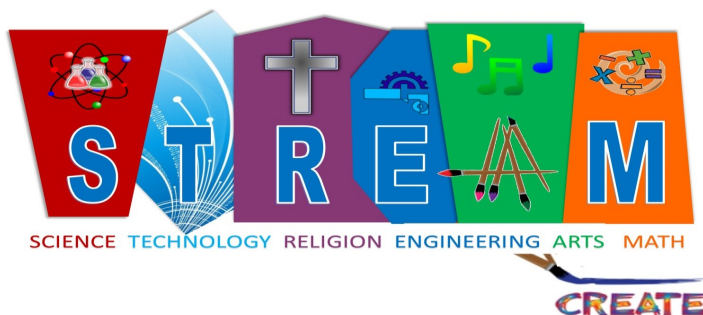
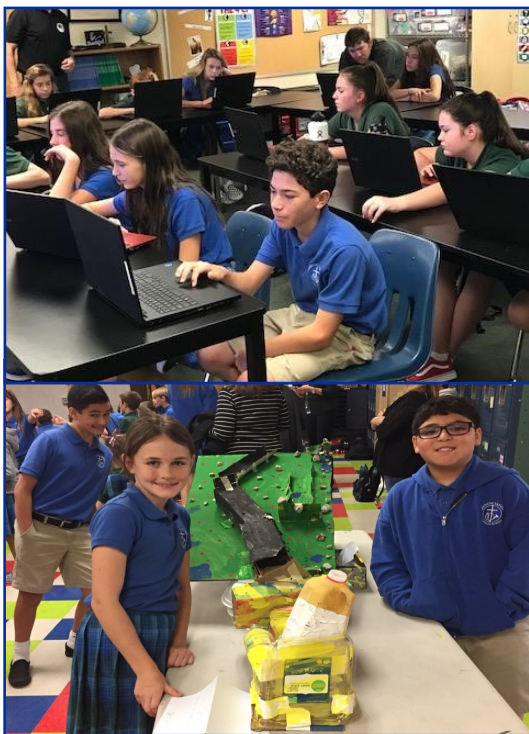
Second Class to Graduate



A Look Back In Time

2017-2018

STREAM is Officially Integrated and a STREAM Coordinator is hired



COMPONENTS OF A STREAM SCHOOL

- ◆ Interdisciplinary approach to classroom instruction
- ◆ Engineering design process practiced and applied
- ◆ Use of technology as a tool –coding, 3-D design, animation, movies
- ◆ Project Based Learning
- ◆ Problem solving, team work
- ◆ Real world applications, career awareness
- ◆ Community partnerships
- ◆ STREAM Clubs + integration across the curriculum
- ◆ Field trips – real and virtual

ACS launched the STREAM (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts and Math) initiative in the spring of 2015 and has been expanding the program ever since. The goal of STREAM is to prepare students for a 21st century world. Through creativity, technology and research, the STREAM Initiative encourages children to test, explore, expand, or completely change thoughts and approaches for real world challenges. The addition of new chrome books this past year allows the students to keep up with changing technology. The 7th and 8th grade students attend weekly coding class weekly led by instructors from Coding with Kids.

Third Class to Graduate



A Look Back In Time

2018-2019

Certificate of Accreditation by the Western Catholic Education Association.



Fourth Class to Graduate

Class
of 2019



Congratulations to the Class of 2019

Fourth consecutive year with 100% of the students accepted to a Catholic High School.



Christian Service Award

The mission of the Christian Service Awards Program is to acknowledge 8th grade students who demonstrate exemplary Christ-centered behavior through volunteer service to parish, school and community. There are over 100 students from across the state of Arizona that apply. Only 35 students receive the award each year and not every school has had a recipient of this award. Annunciation is proud to have a recipient of the Christian Service Award each year beginning with the first 8th grade class. The alumni who received the award are Emily Nicholson and Carolyn Thorp from the Class of 2016, Qiliana Garcia from the Class of 2017, and Michael Duke from the Class of 2018. These recipients display a love and understanding of their Catholic faith and articulate a commitment, not only to perform acts of service, but to live a service-focused life. They recognize their God-given gifts and provide persuasive evident of their leadership, maturity, & humility.

Congratulations to Caileigh Tax and Connor Thorpe, Class of 2019, recipients of the Catholic Community Foundation Christian Service Award. With an \$8,000 tuition scholarship over four years to attend a Catholic high school in the state of Arizona.

<i>Peter Amoroso</i>	Notre Dame Preparatory
<i>Aidan P. Brittain</i>	Notre Dame Preparatory
<i>Talia Dahan</i>	Notre Dame Preparatory
<i>Brendan Daley</i>	Brophy College Preparatory, w/Honors
<i>Nathan Eshelman</i>	Notre Dame Preparatory
<i>Darlene Espino</i>	Xavier College Preparatory
<i>Hannah Fabry</i>	Xavier College Preparatory, w/Honors
<i>Ariana Kaylee French</i>	Notre Dame Preparatory
<i>Alexandria R. A. Goebel</i>	Notre Dame Preparatory
<i>Eli Hammond</i>	Brophy College Preparatory
<i>Samantha Faith Harrod</i>	Notre Dame Preparatory, w/Honors
<i>Zane Guy Little</i>	Brophy College Preparatory
<i>Abbie O'Shei</i>	Notre Dame Preparatory, w/Honors
<i>Josette A. Putrino</i>	Xavier College Preparatory
<i>Nicholas Ramey</i>	Bourgade Catholic High School
<i>Caileigh Tax</i> ✚	Notre Dame Preparatory, w/Honors
<i>Connor Nicholas Thorpe</i> ✚	Brophy College Preparatory
<i>Spencer Vishney</i>	Notre Dame Preparatory, w/Honors



✚ Connor Thorpe

*Christian Service Award
Recipient with Bishop
Thomas Olmsted*

✚ Caileigh Tax

*Christian Service Award
Recipient with Bishop
Thomas Olmsted*

✚ **Christian Service Award Recipient, Diocese of Phoenix**

10 Year Anniversary

On August 12, 2019, Father John Slobig and Dr. Sharon Pristash, Principal were joined by Bishop Olmsted, Father David Kulandaisamy, Father Ben Onegiu, A.J., and Deacon Robert Torrigian for the 10 year celebratory mass and reception. Current and past families came for a celebratory Mass with the Most Reverend Bishop Thomas Olmsted followed by a reception and slide presentation looking back at the past ten years. We reminisced about where our school began and shared excitement about where we are headed in the future. Most importantly, the focus was on the wonderful friendships made at the school and the amazing families and teachers who have made our school so special over the years. This celebratory moment in time comes with great joy as we anticipate the coming of the new school and parish buildings.

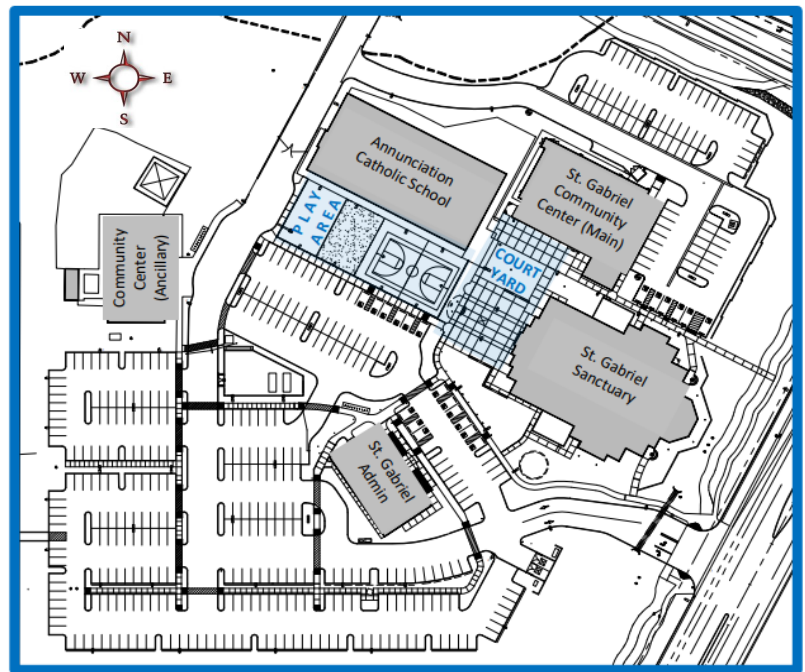
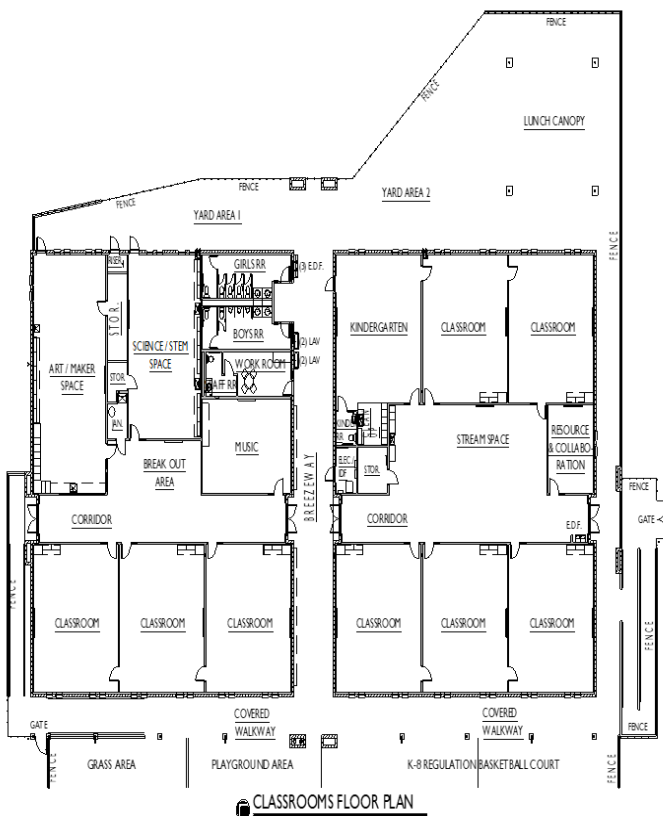


Moving Forward in Faith



Annunciation Catholic School

In preparation for the new campus buildout, removal of four buildings (Chapel, Meeting Rooms 1-4, and Religious Education Offices) was completed. On November 17, 2019, The Most Reverend Bishop Thomas Olmsted blessed the future site of the parish and school buildings at the official Groundbreaking Ceremony. The next phase includes plant salvage and site preparation in anticipation of our new church and school buildings. For up to date information visit <https://stgabrielcampus.com>.



Please consider your continued gifts to help us be successful through the build.

We continue to ask for gifts throughout the campus build to offset any increased costs that may apply from the time we created our goal to the time of the actual building. Also, it will be used to cover the pledges that may not be completely fulfilled due to unforeseen circumstances. Please contact Amy Jo Hutchison at capitalcampaign@stgacc.org for more information.

Growing into Our Future



St. Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Church

St. Gabriel Sanctuary

Square Footage: 22,678
Seating Church: 900
Seating Chapel: 90

St. Gabriel Administration

Square Footage: 6,500
Planned Renovation

Courtyard

5300 Sq. Ft.

Parking

Total Parking Spaces: 413
Handicap Spaces: 21

Annunciation Catholic School

Square Footage: 16,670
Classrooms: 13
Security Fencing

ACS Administration

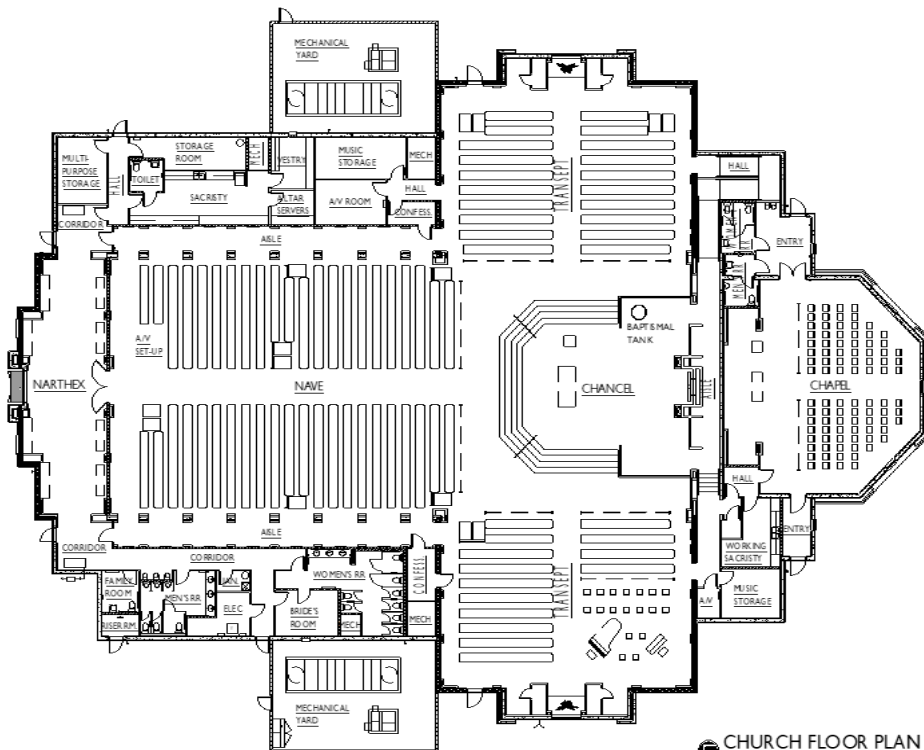
(not shown)
These individuals will reside in what is currently our Parish Administration offices– placing these key employees very close to our children. Complete with conference room, rest room, and front desk for non-student/teacher check-in.

St. Gabriel Community Center

Comprising of two separate buildings (*Main 12,967 sq. ft & Ancillary 5,780 sq. ft*), these facilities will be available for use by our community members for events, ministry work, social functions, and as backup for school lunch & play on poor weather days.

Playground Area:

200 ft x 86 ft;
K8 Regulation Basketball court; playground structure and a grassy play area.



CHURCH FLOOR PLAN

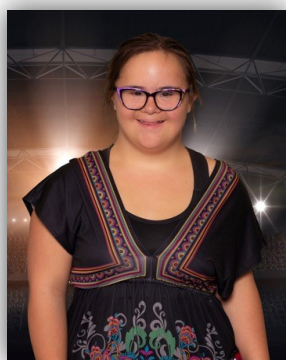
Alumni News

Class of 2016/2020

The Class of 2016 was the first 8th grade class to graduate from Annunciation. Now as seniors in high school, they look forward to another chapter in life as they look forward to graduating from high school and continue to grow into strong Catholic leaders in our community.



Zach Chandley is a senior at the Army and Navy Academy in Carlsbad California. He is doing very well on varsity cross country and he is finishing his senior year as the captain of the rifle team.



Hadley Hawkins is a senior at Cactus Shadows High school and is planning on either staying in Arizona or moving to Texas and continuing to work as a hostess and hopefully pursue a modeling career.



Tayler Killoren is a senior at Xavier College Preparatory. She is in National Honor Society, National French Honor Society, National Computer Science Honor Society, VP of Science Club, Teaching Assistant for her former Chemistry teacher and rowing as a varsity for Tempe Junior Crew. Her first regatta with them was the San Diego Fall Classic on November 10th. Tayler will graduate in May with an Associates Degree from Rio Salado Community College and an EPICS Engineering degree/certification through Xavier. Tayler has accepted an offer to row for the University of San Diego.



Michelle Montalvo is a senior at Xavier College Preparatory. She is in the National Honor Society and a member of the Engineering Projects in Community Service (EPICS) club. Michelle has been admitted to ASU's IRA A. Fulton Schools of Engineering per a letter from ASU dated August 28, 2019. She attended an engineering camp at ASU this summer. She would like to major in mechanical engineering with the goal of becoming a Disney Imagineer.

Alumni News

Prayer for our ACS Angel Alumni

Lord, We bring these young graduates before You asking You to keep Your hand of protection upon them. Please guide their steps in the days ahead as they embark on this new journey before them. Grant them the wisdom to make wise decisions according to Your will. May the road before them be paved with joyous opportunities that bring honor and glory to You. In the precious name of Jesus, the community of Annunciation prays, AMEN



Gabriel Nuzzi is a senior at St. Theodore Guerin Catholic High School in Noblesville, Indiana. He has been on the high school Cross Country team for the past 3 years. He will graduate in May 2020 with an Honors Diploma and will be applying to several colleges over the next few months including a military academy.



Emily Nicholson is a Senior at Walsh Jesuit High School. She has maintained a GPA of 3.8 and is a member of the National Honor Society. She has been a Track team member since her Sophomore year competing in shot put and discus events and earned her letter in Shot put in her Junior year. As a Senior, she is the Field Hockey captain and a leader for the Student Kyros Retreat. After graduation, Emily plans to go to Ohio University to major in Pre-Med or Pre-Vet.



Hellenah Rosiek attended Xavier College Prep for grades 9-11 and is attending Notre Dame Preparatory High School for her Senior year. She visited Washington DC this past summer with the Close Up program and received the Civic Education Certificate of Achievement. She has been on the Track team for 3 years and is training for her fourth and final year. Hellenah achieved academic Honor Roll for 3 years and plans to continue with college. She remains an active Vincentian volunteering for St. Vincent de Paul and at Banner University Medical Center Hospital.



Rebecca Rainney (Becca) has attended Xavier College Preparatory and has been on the Honor Roll. As a senior she will graduate with 52 college credits from Rio Salado and Pratt Institute. She is in the Science club and taking classes and will earn an *Engineering Projects in Community Service (EPICS) degree*. She was on the Xavier Crew team for 3 years, Varsity for the last two and won numerous medals including State. She went on an international studies trip to France, a mission trip to Ecuador where she helped build a school cafeteria for a remote community and this past summer completed a 4 week pre-college program in Industrial Design at Pratt Institute in Brooklyn NY. She serves as an Eucharistic Minister at Xavier College Prep school Mass. She is working on her portfolio and applying to several design schools around the country.

Alumni News

Class of 2019



Lauryn Carter is beginning her Junior year with a 4.2 GPA and a member of the National Honor Society and Xavier/Brophy debate team. She is continuing her Greatbooks curriculum through both English and Theology. She is enrolled in all AP and honors courses. This summer, Lauryn obtained an internship with HonorHealth serving in the ER and information desk. Lauren's recent acceptance into the Young Explorers program, permitted her to observe hospital procedures and speak with medical professionals. She is interested in pursuing a career in medical science.



Rhiannon Gnerer completed her sophomore year with a GPA of 4.1, with a mix of Honors and AP classes. She is a member of the National Honor Society. She has been on the Swim team since her freshman year. In addition, she has been supporting a safe swim thru Foundation for Aquatic Safety and Training (F.A.S.T. Foundation) for the refugee children by teaching water safety classes.



Andy Kimerling, is a junior at Notre Dame Prep. He is taking senior level math and science classes along with an honors English class. Andy is consistently on the honor roll at NDP. This is Andy's second year in the NDP Guitar Orchestra that performs for Catholic elementary schools, Phoenix Children's Hospital, and for special events at NDP. Andy receives college credit for his History and Guitar Orchestra classes. Andy is a high performing goalkeeper for an RSL state league team. His team competes at local and regional events. Andy hopes to play D1 soccer in college and is exploring opportunities in the northeast.



Seth Bowers is a junior and has been very active while attending St. Mary's High School. During the past football season, played percussion in the school band and is on the crew team for the upcoming performance of Oedipus. In November, Seth attended a three day Kairos retreat with 30 other students. Outside of his busy school schedule, Seth is very active with the Life Teen Group at Our Lady of Joy and enjoys working at McDonald's part-time. This past summer he attended the Stuebenville West Conference in San Diego and participated in the West Coast Walk For Life in San Francisco this past January and hopes to attend again next year.

Alumni News

Class of 2018



Carlos Montalvo is a sophomore at Brophy College Preparatory. Carlos is enrolled dually at Rio Salado for College credit in his honors classes and exploring his club options while at Brophy.

Class of 2019



Alexandria Goebel is a Freshman at Notre Dame Prep and she is loving her new school. She has easily acclimated to her new high school and has become the social butterfly by supporting the football and hockey team. Alexandria is still very active in her altar serving and will also be volunteering as an aide in Faith Formation at St Gabriel to assist Deacon Bob.



Sami Harrod is off to a great start in high school at Notre Dame Preparatory. She made the freshman girls' volleyball team, which she is very excited about. Sami has also made lots of new friends while keeping close her ACS friends. All in all, her parents could not be happier with her successful transition from middle school to high school! She was ready - academically, socially, and spiritually.



Spencer Vishney is off to a strong start to her Freshman Year at Norte Dame Preparatory. Over the summer she earned an 'A' in two summer school classes and contributed to her community through service projects. She has honor and college preparatory courses as a Freshman, is pursuing her passion for art with a formal drawing class and made a number of new friends at NDP. She is also becoming quite an athlete as a member of the NDP Freshman Volleyball team.

ACS Boosterthon Fun Run

The ACS Boosterthon Fun Run was held on March 1, 2019. The students were challenged to help meet the fundraising goal of \$70,000. The week was full of "STEM" themed activities, videos emphasizing six pillars of character and prayers. It also included a personalized video for each student to communicate our mission and spread the word online to friends. Look for the next ACS Fun Run with a Wild West Mindspark STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) theme on February 28, 2020.

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Family Sponsors

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Event Committee

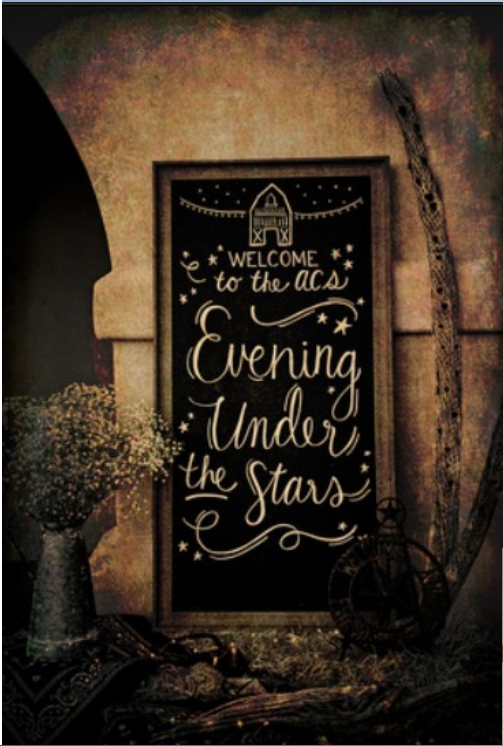
Chelsea Cordell & Tiffaney Beffort
Co-Chairs

A special thanks to Heidi Hawkins for being the
Master of Ceremony

Thank you for sharing your talents to make this a fun
and successful event for ACS!



Evening Under the Stars



Each year, the Evening Under the Stars has a new theme and location to celebrate and support Annunciation Catholic School. The Evening Under the Stars was held at Our Lady of Joy on January 26, 2019. The Country Western Theme was a huge success as guests enjoyed the music of the Josh Roy Band, a silent auction and a delicious dinner catered by Citron Catering as we bid a farewell to the Founding Father Dennis O'Rourke. We thank all our parents, sponsors and guests who helped us profit \$34,000.



Sponsors

Night Wrangle Sponsor \$1500

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The Beffort Family

Western Wrangler \$500

*SCAD Research, Inc.
Homesmart -Danielle Paluscio
North Valley Eye Care
The Valesquez Family*



Event Committee

Event Chairs

Tiffiney Beffort
Chelsea Cordell
Keli McCann

Silent/Live Auction

Barbara Mandalfino
Tiffiney Beffort
Ross O'Shei

Decorations

Katie McClay
Gae Carpenter

Special thanks

The Sarchet family for Western Decorations

Classroom Baskets/Projects

Amber Perinio
Barb Mandalfino

Donations

Austa Broeker
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Tiffiney Beffort

Bar

Mike Scagnoli

Special thanks for bartending

The St. Gabriel Knights of Columbus

How We Rank

2019 Spring ITBS SCORES - Grade Equivalency (GE) ACS and Diocesan Comparison

The Iowa Tests of Basic Skills (ITBS) are national achievement tests that assess students' skills in Reading, Language, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science. The ITBS assesses both foundational skills and higher-order thinking skills and provide national and local comparisons. The ITBS is very different from the Arizona state test (AzMERIT) required in the public schools. The AzMerit is a criterion referenced test that assesses students on the specific state standards for their grade level in reading, math, science and social studies. The results are compared to students in the state of Arizona only. The ITBS test is a norm-referenced test and includes material both below and well above the grade level being tested. The ITBS compares our students to students across the United States; the 50th percentile is considered average.

The charts below represent the grade level average for the core content areas, Math, Reading and Language Skills. Our class average scores are compared to the class average scores for all the K-8 schools in the diocese. Students took the test in the eighth month of the year (testing age of 1.8 means 1st grade, 8th month). A grade equivalent score of 2.4 means the child tested as a typical student in 2nd grade, 4th month.

You can see that the average grade equivalency increases as students progress through each grade level. This is a trend across Catholic schools. In comparison, the public school trend is a flattening of achievement in middle school grades.

READING TOTAL	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
Diocese GE	2.0	3.0	4.1	5.4	6.5	7.1	8.7
ACS GE	2.4	3.1	3.7	6.3	6.7	9.5	11.2

ELA TOTAL	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
Diocese GE	1.9	3.0	4.1	5.4	6.5	7.6	9.4
ACS GE	2.3	3.0	4.0	6.2	7.4	10.9	13+

MATH TOTAL	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
Diocese GE	1.9	3.1	3.9	4.8	6.1	6.9	8.6
ACS GE	2.2	3.3	3.8	5.7	7.5	8.6	10.6

SOCIAL STUDIES	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7 th
Diocese GE	1.9	3.0	3.9	5.3	6.5	7.3	9.1
ACS GE	2.3	3.9	4.0	6.2	7.2	10.1	12.3

SCIENCE	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
Diocese GE	1.9	3.0	4.0	5.3	6.3	7.6	8.7
ACS GE	2.0	4.2	4.2	5.8	6.7	10.0	10.7

CORE COMPOSITE	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
2018 ACS GE	1.9	3.0	3.9	5.1	6.2	7.2	8.9
2019 ACS GE	2.2	3.1	3.8	5.9	7.3	9.5	12.0

COMPLETE COMPOSITE	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
Diocese GE	1.9	3.0	3.9	5.1	6.3	7.3	8.9
ACS GE	2.2	3.4	3.9	6.0	7.3	9.7	11.8

Financial Summary

Annunciation is proud to report that we ended our tenth year with zero debt thanks to the generosity of our parents, parishioners and donors. The operating budget is funded by three sources — tuition, fundraising, and donations (annual appeal, grants and personal gifts). Although we are blessed to have the support of St. Gabriel parish through renting the shared facilities, the school operates without benefit of a parish subsidy.

Revenue and Expenses

Total Revenue - \$1,666,168.62

Total Expenses - \$1,574,059.71

Net - \$92,108.91

Revenue

Tuition & Registration - \$1,227,218.47

Unrestricted Operating Support - \$71,182.31

Fundraising - \$165,990.28

Annual Appeal - \$56,637.29

Unrestricted Donations - \$22,865.65

Restricted Funds - \$122,274.62

Expenses

Salaries & Benefits - \$446,203.40

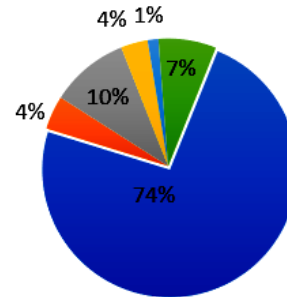
Instructional Expenses - \$850,714.97

Operational Expenses - \$88,663.40

Fundraising and Events- \$61,693.40

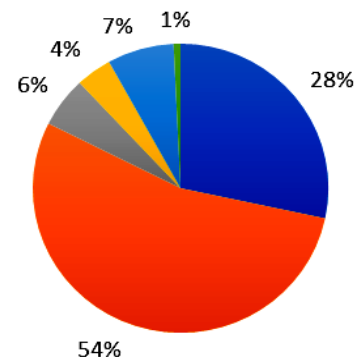
Depreciation - \$11,990.45

Revenue



- Tuition & Registration
- Unrestricted Operating Support
- Fundraising
- Annual Appeal
- Unrestricted Donations
- Restricted Funds

Expenses



- Salaries & Benefits
- Instructional Expenses
- Operational Expenses
- Fundraising and Events
- Restricted Funds
- Depreciation

Affording a Catholic Education

During the 2018-2019 school year, 62% of the tuition income came from tax credit funds. Last year, 161 students received a total of \$649,267.93 from different Student Tuition Organizations (STOs) that distribute tax credit monies. Here are some statistics to illustrate the degree to which our school families benefit from tuition assistance.

Cost to Educate

\$6,950

Full tuition

\$5,450

Average amount paid by parents

\$2,583

SHINE YOUR LIGHT ON EDUCATION

- ✓ NO NET COST TO YOU
- ✓ SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS
- ✓ DOLLAR-FOR-DOLLAR TAX CREDIT



All residents of Arizona who pay state income tax can redirect those tax dollars to Annunciation Catholic School. Single individuals may redirect \$1,135.00 and couples filing jointly may redirect \$2,269.00. Deadline is April 15th to claim this credit for the previous tax year. To redirect your taxes go to <http://catholiceducationarizona.org/>. For further assistance contact Keli McCann at kmccann@acsphx.org.

Serving Our School

Parents, guardians, grandparents and parishioners of St. Gabriel volunteer to assist with the growing needs of the school. Thank you to all of our volunteers who help make a difference at ACS. Below is a list of volunteers who served our community in leadership positions for 2018-2019 school year.

School Advisory Council 2018-2019

Purpose: Assist Pastor and Principal in the operation of the school consistent with our mission.

Members:

Michele Bax, Chair	Elisa Cannizzo	Amy Hammond
Melanie Hooper, Secretary	Bill Kelley	Terry Montalvo
John Rainey	Cheryl Salomone	Homer Savard

Ex-officio members

Father John Slobig
Dr. Sharon Pristash - Principal
Keli McCann - Development Director
Barb Rechterman - Finance Committee Representative

Purpose: Assist the teachers and administration in creating a Catholic environment maximizing parent involvement through engaging events that create social interactions, fellowship, spiritual development, and service; Promote programs that enrich the moral, educational and physical welfare of our students and coordinate volunteer committees.

Partners In Education (PIE) 2018-2019

Officers & Chairs:

Christina Shen - Co-President
Sandy Khoury - Co President
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Debi Gall Scholarship Fund



Debi Ann Gall (1954-2019) believed Catholic education should be affordable for all families. It was her wish that all children would know Jesus and have a solid foundation of the Catholic faith. She was thrilled to see her grandchildren complete the rosary and the Stations of the Cross during kindergarten at Annunciation Catholic School. Volunteering at her home church in Michigan, Holy Family Catholic Church and school, sparked the love in her heart for Catholic education. Her vision of making Catholic education affordable for all came with her when she and her husband, Deacon Jim Gall, moved to Carefree, Arizona in 2005. Debi knew the cost of a Catholic education can be a strain on a family and nobody should have to sacrifice everything to have their children afford a Catholic education. Catholic schools seek to instill students with faith, values and knowledge to guide and support them throughout their lives, to provide them with preparation for a life of worth, not merely a life of work. She would say, "If they build their personal relationship with God, just wait and watch what will happen".

During her life journey, she touched so many people and never knew how she would motivate countless people to become active participants in supporting her mission of making Catholic education affordable for all. Annunciation is proud to honor Debi Ann Gall's memory and support children in Catholic education with this scholarship program. For more information, please contact the Development and Marketing Director, Keli McCann at kmccann@acsphx.org.

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Carefree Kiwanis Buys Chrome Books for Annunciation Catholic School



Annunciation Catholic School's partnership with Kiwanis of Carefree began in 2016 when Daniel Carr, a volunteer of Kiwanis of Carefree and a long time supporter of Annunciation, introduced John Skarda of Kiwanis of Carefree to Keli McCann, Development and Marketing Director and Dr. Sharon Pristash, Principal. In 2016, Annunciation received its first grant of \$1,811 for a reading assistance program for kindergarten through 2nd grade. Kiwanis of Carefree has continued to support the students in the community and has helped Annunciation deliver numerous programs over the past four years. Kiwanis of Carefree has donated over \$54,000 to Annunciation for the following items.

2016

Reading Assistance Program	\$ 1,811
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2017

PE equipment	\$ 950
Digital Citizen Academy	\$ 1,500

2018

Ambassador Program	\$ 1,200
Digital Citizen Academy	\$ 1,650
STREAM STEM Lab supplies	\$ 4,000
Chrome books	\$26,000
Lowell Observatory Curriculum for Kids (LOCKS)	\$ 7,000

2019

Digital Citizen Academy	\$ 2,500
Lowell Observatory Curriculum for Kids (LOCKS)	\$ 8,000



About Kiwanis

The Kiwanis Club of Carefree has consistently focused on enriching the education of students in our community. The Club believes education is the foundation for building a successful future career for our future leaders. In the 1980s the Kiwanis Club of Carefree decided to try selling used household goods as a special fund raising event. Now 30 years later, sales are soaring, volunteers are increasing, and projects have expanded. Eighty percent of the volunteers are not Kiwanis Members, but are members from the community, including Annunciation students, who want to contribute to the Kiwanis projects that mainly focus on children's programs.

Thank you, Kiwanis of Carefree for your continued support!

For more information visit <https://kiwanismarketplace.org/>

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Cash Gifts

Your financial gift to Annunciation Catholic School provides operational support for the school's mission including academic programs, athletics, fine arts and technology.

Matching Gifts

Many corporations offer as a benefit to their employees a Matching Gift Program. Please ask the Human Resources Department of your employer for a matching gift and support Catholic education.

Gifts-In-Kind

The parents and parishioners of Annunciation continue in their generous donation of their time and talent. Please consider donating your experience or services to help Annunciation Catholic School. Some gifts that have already been received include printing, food and beverage donations, office and classroom supplies and equipment for the school.

Appreciated Securities

Gifts of securities, mutual funds and stocks are an excellent way to support Catholic education in your estate planning.

Planned Giving

Leave a legacy that reflects your ideals and values by supporting Catholic education in your estate planning.

Endowments

An endowment fund is known as "forever money." It is a special account that is established in order to generate revenue. One of the distinguishing characteristics of an endowment fund is that the principal amount contained in the account is not disbursed for any reason. This principal amount is invested in a manner that creates a steady return. Usually, only a portion of the interest or earnings from the endowment (typically 5%) are spent on an annual basis in order to assure that the original funds will grow over time. For Catholic schools, an endowment fund is a long-range answer that will provide financial security.

The Annunciation Endowment fund was established in 2009 with a seed money in the form of a \$5,000 gift from the Catholic Community Foundation of Phoenix. Last spring our operating budget allowed us to add another \$5,000 to the endowment, which triggered a matching gift from CCF.

Annual Appeal

Annual Appeal funds help support Annunciation cover the day-to-day operation of the school which include utilities, rent, and maintenance.

Questions about donating to Annunciation?

Please contact Keli McCann
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