



# Faith in Education



**Diocese of Orlando Catholic Schools  
2016 - 2017 Annual Report**

*Teaching and Living the Light of Christ*

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*“I truly believe that Catholic education provides me with the best education I could ever get in any other school. I am given the opportunity to go to church every week and seek God in all things, which has helped me to learn more about God and to grow in my faith. The best thing about going to Catholic school is that I feel like we are family. I know that there are people there that truly care for me, not just about my academics, but me as a whole person.”*

*--Dario, St. Andrew Catholic School*





# Bishop Noonan's Message

"A great prophet has arisen in our midst and God has visited his people."

*Luke 7:16*

My Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

God has visited His people. What a joyous proclamation! This joy of the Gospel is the breath of the Holy Spirit within our heart. Pope Francis said, "The joy of the Gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus." We are called to live as Christ, offering an encounter of God with each person we meet.

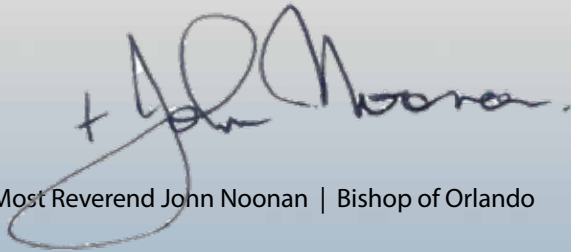
The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. As we are nourished by the Eucharist, we share God's covenantal love, the bond of our Catholic faith. We live to be people through whom God has passed. This is the mission of our Catholic schools, to teach our young people about this extraordinary Gift, God is with us.

Each year I visit with our students, faculty, staff, parents and volunteers of our Catholic schools and I am greeted by Jesus, in the care of our young people by faculty and staff entrusted to teach them about our faith, in the service of our young people and their parents or guardians who bring the comfort of the Good Shepherd to each other and to those across the nations, and in the leadership of our volunteers who guide our young people along the right path, as God has visited His people!

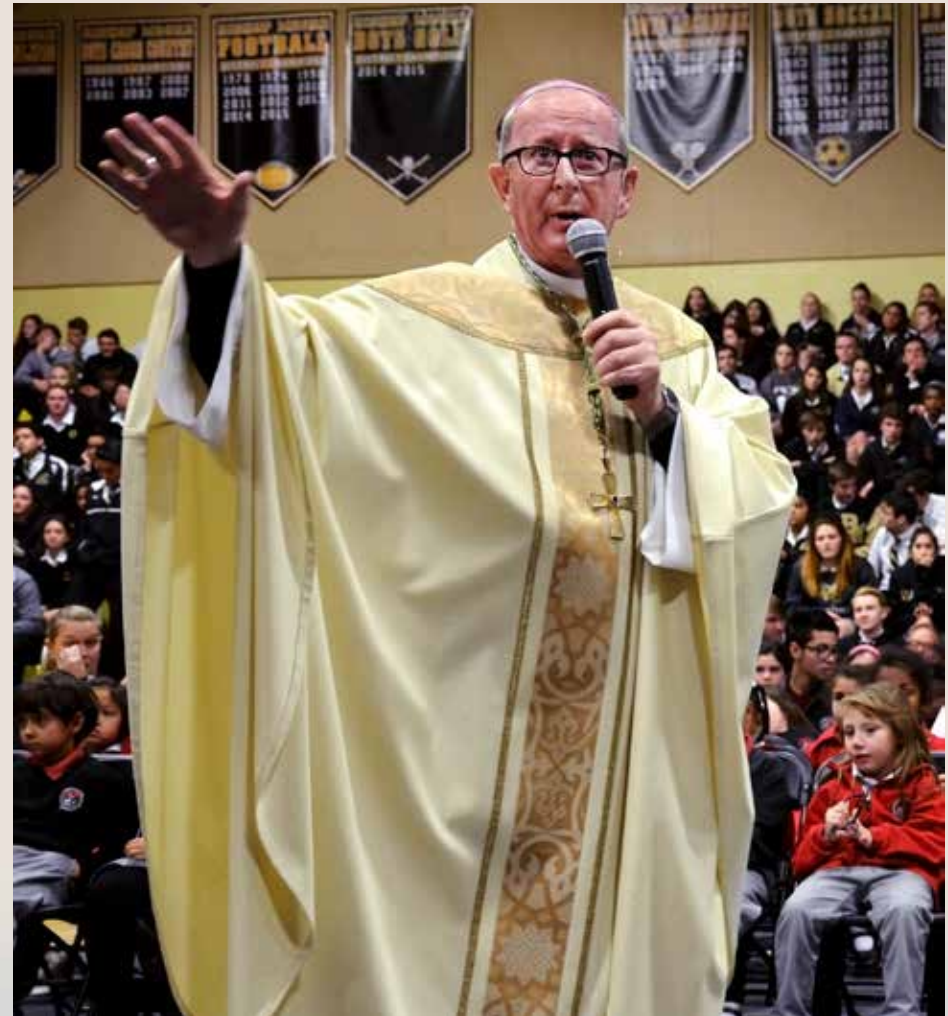
In this annual report, you will partake in the joy of the Gospel. Turn its pages to discover the beauty of the Gift of the Eucharist as God is with us.

Thank you for your generosity of spirit in supporting the ministry of our Catholic schools. May we know that God has visited His people and remains with us forever.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Most Reverend John Noonan | Bishop of Orlando



## Our Mission

Catholic schools in the Diocese of Orlando proclaim the Gospel message within an academic environment of excellence that challenges students to be creative and critical thinkers who integrate faith, moral leadership and compassionate service in order to create a more just and humane world.

# Our Schools

## Brevard County

Melbourne Central Catholic High School\*  
Ascension Catholic School\*  
Divine Mercy Catholic Academy\*  
Holy Name of Jesus Catholic School\*  
Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School  
Our Saviour Catholic School\*  
St. Joseph Catholic School, Palm Bay\*  
St. Mary Catholic School\*  
St. Teresa Catholic School

## Lake County

St. Paul Catholic School

## Marion County

Trinity Catholic High School  
Blessed Trinity Catholic School  
Queen of Peace Children's House Montessori

## Orange County

Bishop Moore Catholic High School  
Good Shepherd Catholic School\*  
Holy Family Catholic School\*  
Morning Star Catholic School  
Resurrection Catholic Church Preschool  
St. Andrew Catholic School\*  
St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School\*  
St. James Cathedral School\*  
St. John Vianney Catholic School\*  
St. Margaret Mary Catholic School\*  
St. Patrick Early Learning Center  
Sts. Peter and Paul Early Learning Center

## Osceola County

Holy Redeemer Catholic School  
St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School

## Polk County

Santa Fe Catholic High School  
Resurrection Catholic School\*  
St. Anthony Catholic School  
St. Joseph Academy  
St. Joseph Catholic School

## Seminole County

All Souls Catholic School\*  
Annunciation Catholic Academy\*  
St. Mary Magdalen Catholic School\*

## Volusia County

Father Lopez Catholic High School  
Basilica School of St. Paul  
Little Blessings Preschool  
Lourdes Academy\*  
Sacred Heart Catholic School\*  
St. Brendan Catholic School  
St. Peter Catholic School



## Accreditation

All elementary/middle schools and early learning centers in the Diocese of Orlando are accredited by The Florida Catholic Conference (FCC). Every seven years, schools are re-accredited to ensure that they are providing the best environment for academic growth and faith formation for all students. Catholic high schools are accredited through AdvancED, the largest accrediting agency in the world.

In addition, Catholic school teachers in the Diocese of Orlando are certified through the Florida Department of Education (FDOE).

## National Standards

To further promote our Catholic schools' mission, Diocese of Orlando schools are evaluated using the National Standards and Benchmarks for Effective Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools. Between FCC accreditation visits, parish schools undergo a Third Year Progress Appraisal (TYPA) conducted by representatives from the Office of Catholic Schools and based on the National Standards. Released in 2012 by the Loyola Center for Catholic School Effectiveness (CCSE), in cooperation with the Roche Center for Catholic Education and The National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA), the standards describe how program-effective and well-managed Catholic schools operate within four domains -- Mission and Catholic Identity, Governance and Leadership, Academic Excellence, and Operational Vitality. Seventy benchmarks provide observable, measurable descriptors for each standard.

(\* ) Indicates Blue Ribbon School : nationally recognized for academic excellence.



# Superintendent's Message

*"...because of the tender mercy of our God, by which the rising sun will come to us from heaven to shine on those living in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the path of peace"*

Luke 1:78-79



In the first chapter of Luke's Gospel, we are foretold of Jesus' coming and how that would impact the world. More than 2000 years later, as mature disciples of Jesus, we continue to shine the light of the Son on those living in darkness, share God's tender mercy, and guide others' feet onto the path of peace.

The Catholic schools in the Diocese of Orlando strive each day to do exactly what

Luke describes in this passage. Our Catholic schools are a radiant light in each of the communities they serve while also having a global affect. Our faculties educate our students daily in Christian morale values and gospel teachings, which provides a foundation rich in meaning and purpose for all other forms of knowledge.

The world our children will enter as adults is moving at gigabits per second. It is critical that our children and youth have a firm foundation in faith and reason to withstand the storms of this world. Catholic education is not just about providing our students with strong academics that allow them to enter the best universities in the nation, but primarily about allowing them to enter heaven. It is an education and formation for this world but ultimately for eternity.

The Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Orlando have a 100% graduation rate and a 97% college and military attendance rate. Our students enter the global market as leaders in their communities and Church. As faith-filled leaders, our alumni go forth as missionaries bringing God's light into the darkness, sharing God's tender mercy, and guiding the world into the path of peace because of what they have learned in our schools of faith.

Now more than ever, Catholic education is needed in our world. It is with deep gratitude and regular prayer that I thank all of the generous people who continue to make this ministry possible by sharing their time, talent, and treasure. Catholic schools have been a part of Florida since 1606 and so as stewards of this gift we promise always to strive for nothing less than excellence in all areas, while forming God's saints.

Our Bishop's priorities of Forming Leaders in Christ, Enkindling a Deeper Faith, Harmonizing Ministries continues to guide our direction as we are teaching and living in the light of Christ.

May the Peace of Christ be with you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Henry Fortier". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Henry Fortier | Secretary for Education  
Superintendent of Catholic Schools

## Reasons Diocese of Orlando Catholic Schools Shine

1. We are a Catholic, faith-filled people
2. We have rich diversity of students within our system of schools
3. All 42 schools are accredited by AdvancEd or the Florida Catholic Conference. Our teachers and administrators are all state-certified
4. All of the elementary schools use the National Standards and Benchmarks for Effective Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools
5. We work to make school affordable for each family
6. Our elementary and high school students are significantly ahead of their peers academically
7. Enrollment has increased 8 of the last 9 years, defying the national trends
8. Our schools support schools in the Dominican Republic, and these schools are also significantly ahead of their peers
9. We offer a safe, secure environment
10. We are continually pushing the 21st century learning boundary
11. Our leaders are frequent contributors to national and state conferences
12. All of our teachers continue to grow in their faith and professional lives through ongoing coursework and catechist formation

# Who we serve

# 14,829

Number of students we serve

# 1,864

Children age infant to Pre-K (0-4 years old)

# 9,800

Elementary/middle school students (grades K-8)

# 3,165

High school students (grades 9-12)

The Diocese of Orlando has five high schools, five standalone early childhood centers, and one K-12 special needs school in Brevard, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Polk, Seminole and Volusia counties.



# 457

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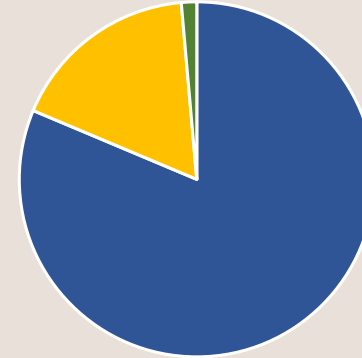
Increased enrollment in Diocese of Orlando Catholic schools from 2015-2016.

# 7th

consecutive year the Diocese of Orlando Catholic schools noted an increase in enrollment.

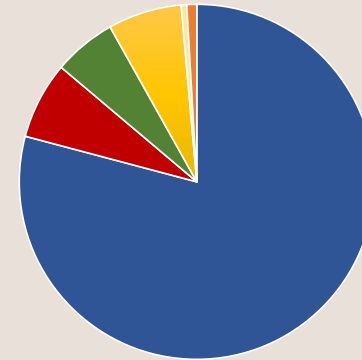
# 39th

Diocese of Orlando rank in enrollment out of 176 dioceses nationwide, according to the NCEA.



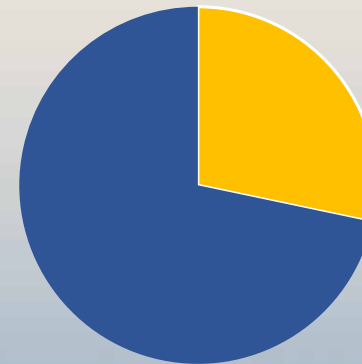
## Religious Affiliation

- Catholic 81.5%
- Non-Catholic 17.3%
- Unknown 1.2%



## Ethnicity

- White 78.9%
- Black 7.0%
- Asian 5.7%
- Multi Race 6.7%
- Hawaiian .5%
- Unknown .9%



## Latino/Hispanic

- Hispanic 28.3%
- Non-Hispanic 71.7%

# Catholic School Difference

We firmly believe a Catholic education gives students a strong foundation in becoming leading members of society and the Catholic community. As such, Catholic schools in the Diocese of Orlando integrate faith and values into every part of the educational experience. Our students are growing in:



## Faith

A solid religious curriculum, daily prayer, the regular celebration of Mass and seasonal liturgical events as well as guidance from Bishop Noonan, our parish priests, religious sisters, administration and faculty enhance the spiritual experience of each child and sets Catholic schools apart from other educational institutions.



## Knowledge

Data show our students continually score higher on standardized tests compared to their public school peers. 100% of our seniors graduate from high school.



## Service

Our high school students performed 101,909 service hours in 2016-2017. Our elementary and middle school students also give freely of themselves through serving in their parishes and schools, various food, clothing and toy drives, bake sales, caring for the homeless and elderly in their communities, and volunteering at animal shelters.

## Corporal Works of Mercy earn schools honor



Students from St. Joseph Catholic School in Palm Bay and Santa Fe Catholic High School in Lakeland were recognized for their kindness to others during the 2016-2017 year and awarded the St. Teresa Award (formerly the Mother Teresa Award). The award is presented annually to one Catholic elementary and one Catholic high school that demonstrate the compassion and corporal works of mercy exemplified by St. Teresa.

Members of the St. Joseph Catholic school and parish community were recognized for their

“Gifts of Mercy” outreach to the homeless. Parishioners and students prayed and worked together to collect undershirts, socks, bath towels, cloths and personal hygiene items for the marginalized in their town.

Members of Santa Fe Catholic High School’s “Serving for Christ” mentoring program and the National Honor Society collaborated on a project called “Bedtime Bags.” The students reached out to Florida First Start to identify 19 impoverished and at-risk children. The goal of the Bedtime Bags program was to help

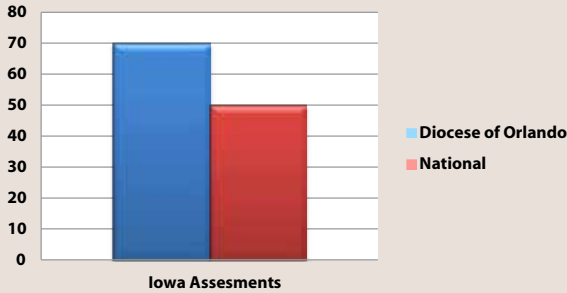
promote healthy bedtime routines that bring families together.

Every Bedtime Bag consisted of pajamas, a storybook, stuffed animal/toy, blanket, toothbrush and toothpaste, and bath products.

Parents also receive a Bedtime Bag where the toy and book were replaced with a Christmas movie, snacks for the movie, slippers, and a gift card to Publix. The Bedtime Bags were prepared for delivery by members of the National Honor Society.



## 2017 Iowa Assesments Results



Angels in Arms, a ministry of Blessed Trinity Parish, was named the Best Daycare/Preschool in Ocala in The Ocala Star Banner’s annual “Best of the Best” competition.



Little Blessings Preschool in Deltona was accredited by the Florida Catholic Conference (FCC) in Fall 2016, making all five stand-alone early learning centers (ELC) in the Diocese of Orlando fully accredited.

## Morning Star Transition House Blessed

Young adults with special needs now have a place to learn and practice everyday living skills in a real-life setting. Morning Star Catholic School, a diocesan school dedicated to educating children with special needs, celebrated the grand opening of the Sisters’ House, a former convent on the Morning Star campus. The home was converted into a residential learning lab to teach post-secondary students how to live more independent, productive lives.



Bishop John Noonan blessed and dedicated the home before a group of local and state dignitaries, diocesan priests and leaders, and family and friends of the Morning Star community during a special ceremony Dec. 7.

The house will serve as the permanent home to the school’s transition program. It features a large kitchen, two bathrooms and five community areas, where students 22 years and older will have the opportunity to practice everyday life skills.

# 1,111

Number of 8th graders who graduated from a Diocese of Orlando Catholic School

# 53%

Percentage of those students headed to a Catholic High School

# 1,864

Number of children we serve ages infant to PreK-4/VPK

# 58

Number of students enrolled at Morning Star Catholic School in 2016-2017

# 10

Number of students participating in the school’s Transition Program

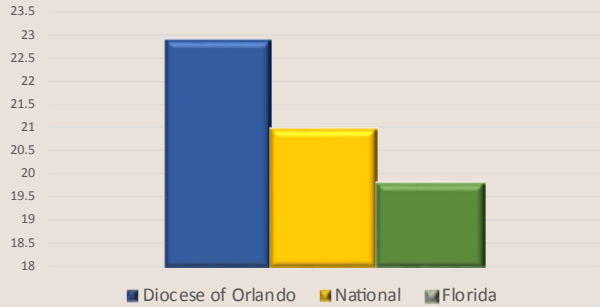
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Number of students who graduated

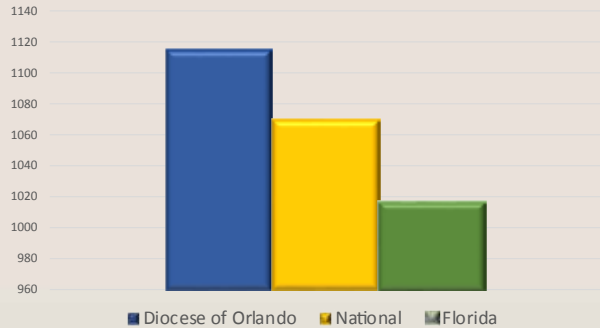


# High Schools (9-12)

## 2017 ACT Results



## 2017 SAT Results



\* The SAT Suite of Assessment has been redesigned to better highlight student strengths. The "New SAT" does not penalize a student for guessing.

# 734

Number of students who graduated  
(100% of seniors!)

# 715

Graduates headed to college or the military  
(97% of graduates)

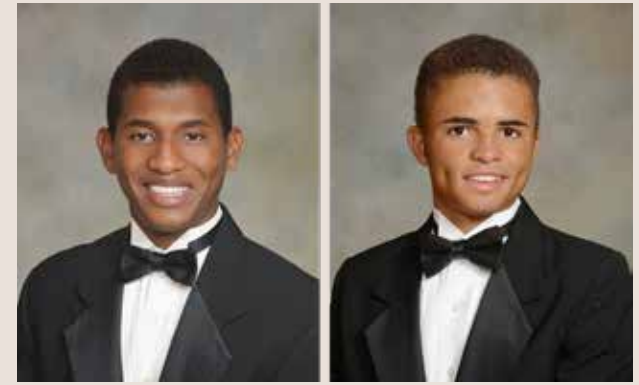
# \$43.9

 million

Amount in scholarships earned by graduates

# 270

Number of colleges or universities our graduates are attending.



Bacilio De Los Santos Comas

Carlos Aybar De Los Santos

## A journey 3,000 miles in the making

A journey that began more than 3,000 miles away in a one-room schoolhouse culminated at the King Center in Melbourne on May 20, when Carlos Aybar De Los Santos and Bacilio De Los Santos Comas proudly walked across the stage to accept their high school diplomas from Melbourne Central Catholic High School.

The young men are the latest group of students from the remote mountains of our sister diocese in San Juan de la Maguna, Dominican Republic to come to the United States and attend high school in the Diocese of Orlando on a scholarship.

Both are continuing their educations stateside, with Carlos Aybar De Los Santos studying at St. Thomas University and Bacilio De Los Santos Comas attending Seminole State College.



*"Catholic education has taught me the right priorities to have – faith and trust in God, love my family, love others, and try to make the world around me a better place. I am ready to take on the challenges of the world thanks to my Catholic education."*

-- George, Bishop Moore Catholic High School, Orlando

## Congratulations Class of 2017 Valedictorians!

**Bishop Moore Catholic High School, Orlando:** Samantha Garcia

**Father Lopez Catholic High School, Daytona Beach:** Joshua Mayr

**Melbourne Central Catholic High School, Melbourne:** Amanda Beach, Bacilio De los Santos Comas, Bryanna Desimone, Katherine Keeling, Natalia Isaza, Katherine Kirkendall, Sarah Laird, Heather McDougall, Emily Melcher, Claire Nemethy, Samantha Novak, Amelia Stimpson, Veronica Szoke, Paul Tenewitz, Gary Turner

**Santa Fe Catholic High School, Lakeland:** Jason Sirera

**Trinity Catholic High School, Ocala:** Stephanie Sutton

# Accolades



In May 2017, Blessed Trinity Catholic School was honored with the Dandy Award from the National Catholic Board on Full Inclusion for taking a leap of faith on Gus, (pictured far right), who is autistic. While many assumed he would only be able to be served in a public school, his parents wanted more for their son. Blessed Trinity accepted Gus, and nine years later, he graduated from his parish school.



Two students received the Light of Faith awards for their work as Ace Reporters for Faith News Online for students. Henri, from St. Mary Magdalen, received the multimedia Light of Faith award for his stories and his video "Clean the Earth," and Samantha, a student at Resurrection Catholic School in Lakeland, received the Ace Reporter Light of Faith award for her engaging stories.



Audrey, a 5th grade student at Resurrection Catholic School in Lakeland was the national winner in the Department of Justice Missing Children's Poster Contest. She received her award in May in Washington, D.C.



Ashley, a sophomore at Bishop Moore Catholic High School, and Cheyenne, a senior at Trinity Catholic High School, took home state championships in their adaptive track races at the Florida High School Athletics Association Adapted Track and Field competition, held in May 2017.

## Excellence in Education

We are proud of the success of our schools and students. Both are recognized for their excellence in education, whether it be school wide, in academics, the fine arts, community service, athletics, etc. While there are too many highlights to mention, we'd like to share a few here and throughout this publication:

- For the fifth consecutive year, Holy Family Catholic School was named best private school by local media.
- Matthew, an 8th grader at Resurrection Catholic School in Lakeland, won first place in Biomedical & Health Sciences and the Best in Fair in Biological Sciences by Nelson Ying, Jr. at the 62nd Annual Florida State Science and Engineering Fair, held in March.
- Micah, a junior at Trinity High School, was selected to sing with the All-National Mixed Honor Choir at the National Association for Music Education Conference, held in November in Grapevine, TX.
- The Black and Gold Brigade Band from Bishop Moore Catholic High School in Orlando participated in the annual St. Patrick's Parade in Washington, D.C., where they won the trophy for "Best Visiting Band."
- In an effort to spread God's love, students of St. Mary Catholic School in Rockledge spent half of February placing more than 1,000 notes with messages of joy, hope and love throughout the communities of Rockledge, Viera and Merritt Island.
- The Annunciation Catholic Academy's Odyssey of the Mind team placed seventh in its division in the World Competition at Michigan State University in Lansing, Mich. There were 837 teams and 15 countries from around the world competing. This is Annunciation's sixth time qualifying for the World Competition and fifth time finishing in the Top 10 in the eight years since the program began.
- For the second consecutive year, students at Ascension Catholic School participated in CyberPatriots and competed in the National Youth Cyber Defense Competition. Backed by the Air Force Association and Northrop Grumman, this competition puts teams in the position of IT security professionals whose mission is to manage the network of a small company
- Karina, a freshman at Trinity Catholic High School in Ocala, was selected as a delegate of the summer Congress of Future Science and Technology Leaders in Lowell, Mass., an honors-only program for high school students who are passionate about science, technology, engineering or mathematics (STEM).
- Justine, an eighth-grade student at St. Mary Magdalen School, received the 2017 Marian Essay Contest Scholarship for her essay on the Blessed Mother.
- The Holy Name of Jesus Catholic School Class of 2017 collected, washed and weighed 800 pounds of plastic bottle caps for a student service project. The parish helped collect bottle caps and together, their care for the environment created two recycled benches from the bottle caps for the school's Lamers Prayer Garden.





*It was a joyous celebration 25 years in the making as the faithful gathered at San Pedro Spiritual Development Center to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Mary, Mother of God Chapel on Feb. 2.*

## San Pedro Spiritual Development Center

For nearly 60 years, the San Pedro Spiritual Development Center has offered a quiet, peaceful environment for the faithful of the Diocese of Orlando to pray and grow in their faith. The Center is operated by the Franciscan Friars, Third Order Regular of St. Francis of Penance, a religious order of men who pattern their lives after Jesus in the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi. Mr. Randall Pinner serves as director.

San Pedro offers diverse programming for people all ages. Many young people have discerned their call to religious life on San Pedro's grounds, while diocesan and outside groups have used its facilities for meetings and other events.

In 2016-2017, the center underwent many changes, beginning with finding its new administrative home in the Education Secretariat. A physical renovation of the campus was undertaken, including the renovation of a conference room as well as several guest rooms which now feature queen-size beds, private bathrooms, AC, Wi-fi, desks, and refrigerators. A professional catering team now provides an array of dining experiences.



*New conference room.*

*Before and after of guest rooms.*



## 2016-2017 DR Update

Students in our sister diocese, the Diocese of San Juan de la Maguana in the Dominican Republic, continued to make strides in their education. Here are the highlights of our work overseas, according to Ursuline Sister Bernadette Mackay, director of the diocesan Mission Office:

- A STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) program was initiated in January.
- Nine students from the Diocese of San Juan de la Maguana were granted scholarships to attend one of the five high schools located in the Diocese of Orlando.
- Carlos Aybar de Los Santos and Bacilio de Los Santos Comas graduated from Melbourne Central Catholic High School, both with 4.1 grade point averages.
- Scarlyn Maria De Los Santos Nova, Father Lopez Class of 2016, completed her first year at St. Thomas University on a full scholarship. She was named to the Provost List for her academic success.
- Luis Jose Aybar De Los Santos, Bishop Moore Class of 2015, transferred from Valencia College to the University of Central Florida where he is studying Engineering.
- Nine DR teachers completed University as licensed teachers.
- Two children qualified for nationals in the country's math competition. They competed against students in more affluent schools. One girl placed eighth in the country!
- Bishop Moore Catholic High School and Father Lopez Catholic High School each sponsored mission trips. Students taught English to the younger students.
- In October 2016, a teachers' mission group spent a week offering training sessions for all Catholic school teachers.
- Parishioners in the Diocese of Orlando responded to the annual Sister Diocese collection, giving more than \$312,000.
- Children in our parish and diocesan schools also gave generously to several charitable drives held throughout the year.



# In the News

## Morning Star first to offer 'nurse's office of the future'



With the click of a button, nurses at Morning Star Catholic School in Orlando are able to bring a board-certified pediatrician onto campus via a video visit. The school is the first in Florida to use the telehealth technology, known as Nemours CareConnect, which allows a doctor to remotely see and hear the child within moments.

The video visits are intended for minor injuries and health issues,

such as fevers, vomiting and rashes as well as chronic disease management. Families are contacted by the school prior to a video visit and are welcomed to join in on the appointment via their mobile devices, tablets or computers.

## Gov. Rick Scott signs bill at Morning Star



Gov. Rick Scott signed House Bill 7069 during a special ceremony at Morning Star Catholic School. Among other provisions, the bill added \$30 million in funding to Gardiner Scholarships.

The governor signed the bill in June, alongside former Senate president Andy Gardiner, who helped establish the Gardiner Scholarship, a voucher program for

special-needs students. Gardiner, who has a child with Down syndrome, said he was excited about the addition to the bill, which adds \$30 million in funding, specifically to the Gardiner Scholarship, raising the total to \$103 million.

Morning Star Catholic School was selected to host the event because of the number of students who benefit from the legislation.

## President Trump visits St. Andrew Catholic School



St. Andrew Catholic School was in the national spotlight in early 2017 when President Donald Trump visited the campus for a roundtable "listening session" on school choice. Also present for the March 3 visit were Florida Gov. Rick Scott, Florida Sen. Marco Rubio and U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos.

Florida is known for being a champion of school choice. The state's Florida Tax Credit Scholarship program, administered by Step-Up for Students, gives low-income families more options in selecting where their children will

attend school. The Diocese of Orlando has embraced the program and can be seen as an example of how school choice vouchers benefit students, families, educators and schools.

Henry Fortier, secretary for education and superintendent of Catholic schools for the Orlando Diocese, noted that 25 percent of students attending Catholic school in the diocese benefit from the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship. Out of that 25 percent, as they moved through the Catholic school program, in 2016, 100 percent of program students graduated, and 97 percent of them went on to pursue studies at universities or institutions of higher learning.

## SJV to be Dual-Language School

St. John Vianney Catholic School (SJV) has partnered with the Roche Center for Catholic Education at Boston College to participate in the institution's Two-Way Immersion Network for Catholic Schools (TWIN-CS) program. Beginning in the 2017-2018 academic year, SJV will become a dual language school, teaching students to be fluent in English and Spanish, beginning in the PreK level and growing annually to the next grade level. It is the first in the Diocese of Orlando, the second in Florida, and among nearly 20 other Catholic schools nationwide to embrace the TWIN-CS education model. It is designed to prepare student to excel in a multicultural environment.

# School Leaders



## Janet Peddecord receives Leadership Award

Janet Peddecord, principal of St. Anthony Catholic School in Lakeland, was moved to tears upon hearing her name called as the recipient of the 2016 Jenni Heneghan Catholic School Leadership Award, named in honor of the late principal of All Souls Catholic School. The award is presented annually to an educator who exemplifies the spirit, faith life and professionalism of Heneghan.

Peddecord graciously accepted the award from Superintendent Henry Fortier, as well as from Heneghan's husband, Bobby, and son, Colin.

"I feel honored to have been awarded the 2016 Jenni Heneghan Catholic School Leadership Award," Peddecord said. "I worked with Jenni and I saw how much her family and her community respected and loved her."

## 2016-2017 Teachers of the Year as selected by their school leaders

### Elementary/Middle Schools

- Teresa Vogt**  
All Souls Catholic School  
Sanford
- Barbara Aziz**  
Annunciation Catholic Academy  
Altamonte Springs
- Agnes Owens**  
Ascension Catholic School  
Melbourne
- Andrea Rivera-Bonilla**  
Basilica School of St. Paul  
Daytona Beach
- Veronica Chancery**  
Blessed Trinity Catholic School  
Ocala
- Elizabeth Moore**  
Divine Mercy Catholic Academy  
Merrit Island
- Mary Iaccarino**  
Good Shepherd Catholic School  
Orlando
- Mary McCrory**  
Holy Family Catholic School  
Orlando
- Gretchen Solar**  
Holy Name of Jesus Catholic School  
Indialantic
- Jean Morgan**  
Holy Redeemer Catholic School,  
Kissimmee
- Michelle Watkins**  
Lourdes Academy  
Daytona Beach
- Patricia O'Day**  
Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School  
Melbourne

- Lauren Housman**  
Our Saviour Catholic School  
Cocoa Beach
- Jackie Finochiarro**  
Resurrection Catholic School  
Lakeland
- Andrea Bosma**  
Sacred Heart  
New Smyrna Beach
- Diane Etheridge**  
St. Andrew Catholic School  
Orlando
- Catherine Wilson**  
St. Anthony Catholic School  
Lakeland
- Shawnda Shaughnessy**  
St. Brendan Catholic School  
Ormond Beach
- Lillie Gelfand**  
St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School  
Orlando
- Marcia Ochinero**  
St. James Cathedral School  
Orlando
- Bibiana Fernandez**  
St. John Vianney Catholic School  
Orlando
- Stephanie Ellerbe**  
St. Joseph Academy  
Lakeland
- Ronda Degnan**  
St. Joseph Catholic School  
Palm Bay
- Lori Edwards**  
St. Joseph Catholic School  
Winter Haven

- Jackie Munoz**  
St. Margaret Mary Catholic School  
Winter Park
- Julia Ekhlassi**  
St. Mary Catholic School  
Rockledge
- Lauren Shellenberg**  
St. Mary Magdalen Catholic School  
Altamonte Springs
- Sissy Revord**  
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Leesburg
- Brunilda Jerez**  
St. Peter Catholic School  
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- Charlene Voss**  
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Melbourne
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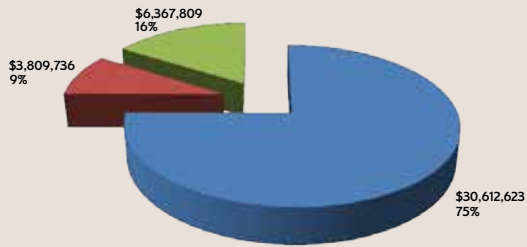
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## New Leaders

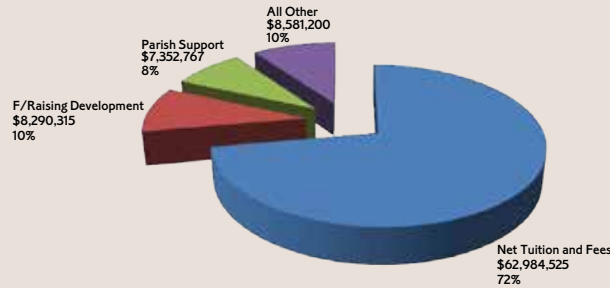
# Finances

## 2016-2017 HIGH SCHOOL REVENUE

■ Net Tuition & Fees ■ Fundraising, Development, Support ■ All Other



## 2016-2017 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REVENUE

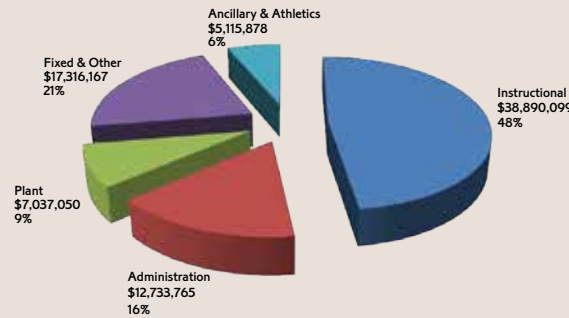


## 2016-2017 HIGH SCHOOL EXPENSES

■ Instructional ■ Administration ■ Plant ■ Fixed & Other  
■ International, Ancillary & Athletics



## 2016-2017 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EXPENSES



Catholic education is affordable. Many of our families are able to send their children to Catholic schools thanks to the following support:

**\$10,261,424**

in tuition and fee allowances

**\$2,257,060**

in VPK allowances (serving 1,012 students)

**\$21,724,984**

in corporate tax credit scholarships (serving 3,838 students)

**\$5,846,520**

in McKay scholarships (serving 957 students)

**\$999,896**

in Gardiner Scholarship (serving 138 students)



## Thank you for your support!

Our students and schools continue to grow and thrive thanks to the generosity of those who give to the Alive in Christ campaign, supported by The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida, Inc. Among the priorities of the fund is the education of our young people. This past year, \$50,000 in tuition assistance was awarded to our Catholic school students. The Office of Schools is deeply thankful to all those who have given so generously to strengthen the work of our Catholic schools.



Students at St. Peter Catholic School in Deland have more room to grow, thanks to an Alive in Christ initiative to construct a 27,261 sq.-ft. Family Life Center. Bishop John Noonan and representatives from the parish and school broke ground on the facility on Nov. 20, the feast of Christ the King. The new center features a gymnasium, youth room, classrooms, locker rooms, and a commercial kitchen and dining hall. The center was made possible through the 2009 Alive in Christ campaign, a large donation from parishioner and philanthropist Edward Lacey of the Lacey Foundation, and sacrificial giving.



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*“To me, Catholic education means being able to learn things in a new way. It means being able to interact with God in numerous ways each day. I am the way I am because of my Catholic education. Catholic education is very important to me, and I am glad that it has been a part of my life for so long.”*

-- Chanel, Holy Redeemer Catholic School



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