



# ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT

## 2024-2025



St. Charles Parish School in Hartland, Wisconsin nourishes and grows a vibrant Catholic community committed to innovation, responsiveness and compassion as it prepares and challenges students in their intellectual, spiritual and moral lives.



# A GROWING COMMUNITY



Ski Club



Strings at Hartland Terrace



Boys Volleyball

Over 50% of our students participate in a club, extracurricular activity, or sport.



## ATHLETICS

- Basketball
- Cheerleading
- Track
- Volleyball



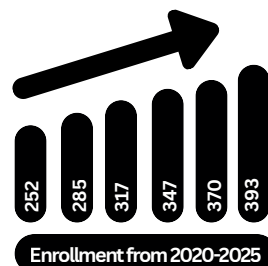
## EXTRACURRICULARS

- Announcement Crew
- Band & Strings Programs
- Homework Club
- Math Club & MATHCOUNTS
- Ski Club
- Student Choirs
- Spring Musical
- Student Council



## SERVICE PROJECTS

- Advent Snack Bags
- Birthday in a Box
- Blessings in a Backpack
- Food Collection for our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry
- Operation Christmas Child
- Souper Bowl
- Strings Concert at Hartland Terrace



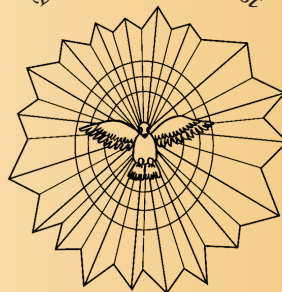
**36%** INCREASE IN ENROLLMENT



**220** HOUSEHOLDS

## 2024-2025 SCHOOL THEME

*Be the Light of Christ*



*"I am the light of the world.  
Whoever follows me will never  
walk in darkness, but will have  
the light of life."*

*John 8:12*

## A NOTE FROM PRINCIPAL GARVEY

"It is an incredible honor to walk alongside and be an active participant in a child's faith journey. I love witnessing the joy and kindness that our students spread throughout our parish and school community, and it is through them that I truly experience Christ's love. With the full support of our families and parish community, we have been able to increase our enrollment at an unprecedented rate and welcome more students and families to Meet Christ, Know Christ, Love Christ, and Serve Christ."





# AN ACTIVE COMMUNITY

We are continually amazed by the wide variety of talents and gifts God has given our students to share with others!

Speaking to the involvement of our community, we have been able to provide various events involving the entire school such as:

Book Fair

Classroom Parties

Jingle Shop

Daddy Daughter Dance

Field Day

Fall Fest

Gala

Golf Outing

VIP Day

Music Concerts

Mother Son Outing

Read-a-thon

Ornament Exchange

Trunk-or-Treat

Pep Rallies

Spirit Groups



Alice in Wonderland Spring Musical



Fall Fest

*"Now that our son is at Marquette University High School, we can clearly see how well St. Charles School prepared him for success. He's thriving in a demanding academic environment, and we credit so much of that to the strong foundation built by his incredible teachers and the caring community at St. Charles."*

-Tim and Jennifer Pierret - School Parents

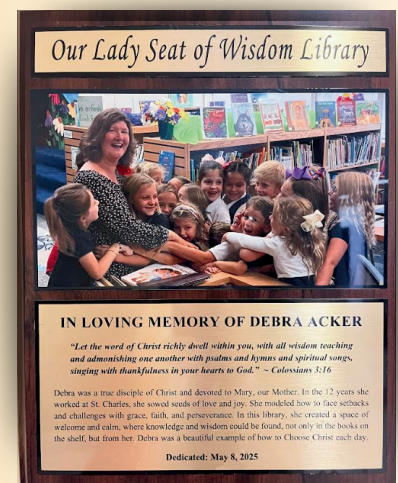
## LIBRARY DEDICATION

In memory of Debra Acker, our former school librarian, the St. Charles Library was dedicated in her honor on May 8, 2025.

Debra was a true disciple of Christ and devoted to Mary, our Mother. In the twelve years she worked at St. Charles, she sowed seeds of love and joy. She modeled how to face setbacks and challenges with grace, faith, and perseverance.

In our library, she created a space of welcome and calm, where knowledge and wisdom could be found, not only in the books on the shelf, but from her.

Debra was a beautiful example of how to Choose Christ each day.



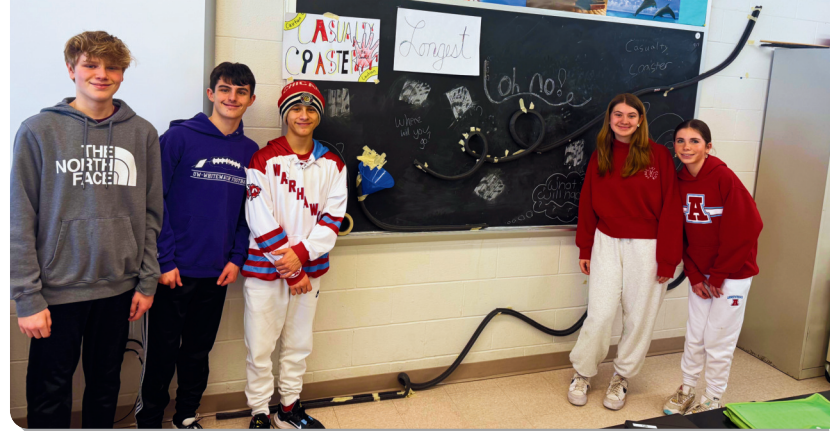
*"Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God."*

Colossians 3:16



# ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

At St. Charles we provide a personalized education for each student, grounded in our Catholic faith and guided by a strong focus on growth mindset. Our students thrive through a combination of personalized testing, rigorous academics, and supportive teachers.



Engineering model rollercoasters - 8<sup>th</sup> grade

*"I like St. Charles because the teachers push you to learn. My friends are also always looking out for each other. Overall, it's a very supportive learning environment."*

*-St. Charles Sixth Grade Student*

In addition to a strong core curriculum, we offer specialty STEM classes for students in 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, fostering early interest in science, technology, engineering, and math.



Observing how rivers flow downstream - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade



St. Charles partners with Catholic Memorial High School to offer an accelerated Geometry course to eligible 8<sup>th</sup> grade students ensuring they are challenged and prepared for future academic success.

We utilize NWEA MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) tests in math and reading to track and support individual progress.



Building self-propelled cars - 4<sup>th</sup> grade



MAP test results demonstrate high achievement and high growth.



Our 16:1 student-to-teacher ratio provides attentiveness to the needs of each student.



We are proud to have two teachers per grade level, attributing to our growth.





8<sup>th</sup> grade students on a retreat at Timber-Lee

# FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH

Prayer is woven throughout the school day most notably to start and end each day. Additionally, students and staff attend weekly Mass and also have opportunities to attend retreats throughout the year.

Grades 3K-2<sup>nd</sup> receive weekly instruction in the Montessori-based curriculum Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in addition to classroom instruction.

## FOSTERING HEARTS FOR CHRIST

### First Sacraments

Students in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade receive instruction on the first sacraments; First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. They also prepare with a full day on site retreat.

### Adoration

Students in 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade have the opportunity to spend quiet time in prayer in our Adoration Chapel.

### Additional Faith Engagements

- Living Nativity (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade)
- Living Stations of the Cross (4<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Living Rosary (all school participation)
- Schola & Youth Choir for Heart of the Nation televised Masses



Parish and school staff attend a biannual retreat to reconnect with our mission at St. Charles, deepen our faith, and strengthen our sense of community.



Student Council led Prayer Service



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd



Living Stations of the Cross



**Students spent 4,245 minutes praying during church recess last year.**

*(Choosing intentional prayer instead of recess.)*

## A NOTE FROM FR. KEN

"I am blessed to lead this incredible community and have witnessed many changes in our school throughout my fifteen years as Pastor of St. Charles. With nearly 400 students and two classrooms per grade level, our school has truly flourished under the direction of Principal Dan Garvey. It is my privilege to watch our children grow and become disciples of Christ and to know that they are well prepared to continue their faith life in the future. Please continue to pray for the safety and success of our school!"





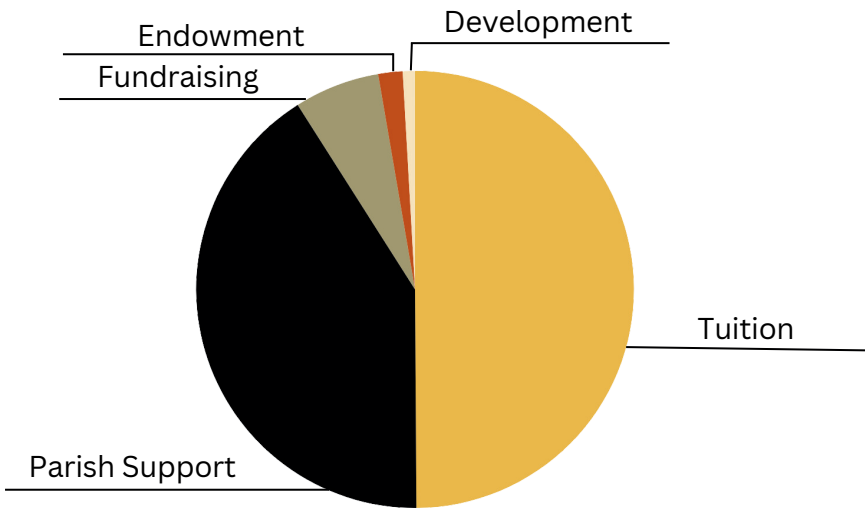
# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

St. Charles understands the sacrifices our parents make when choosing a Catholic faith-based education, and we are extraordinarily grateful for your commitment to helping our scholars thrive.

Our school offers a challenging, rigorous curriculum that academically prepares our students to successfully perform at advanced levels throughout their education. The cost to educate each student is around \$8,000, which is partially funded by tuition (approximately 50%). We are blessed to have the parish's support to help close most of the gap.

Thank you for helping us educate our children and set them up for success throughout their academic and faith journeys!

## FUNDING APPLIED 2024-2025



## GALA SUPPORT

Our annual gala serves as a vital fundraising event that supports key initiatives and long term goals.

Through the generous time, talent, and contributions of our families, we are able to accommodate the growing needs of our school as we continue to expand. Funds raised in 2025 exceeded \$246,000.



2025 Jazz & Generosity Gala



Middle school students on a pilgrimage to The National Shrine of Our Lady of Champion

## GRANTS



Over the past two years more than \$66,000 was received in grants to support specific educational and faith initiatives.

Some of these opportunities include the Wisconsin Catholic Youth Rally, textbook expansion, tuition assistance, Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Champion, technology and musical instruments.



Thank you to the GIFTS Grant Initiative and Love One Another Campaign of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, as well as the local chapter of the Knights of Columbus for supporting our school.

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# CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS

## RENOVATION



*Main school entrance*

Over the summer renovations were completed to provide a more secure and controlled entrance for all visitors and guests.

## INSTALLATION



*Security gate*

A security gate was installed at the entrance to our West parking lot. This ensures that vehicles cannot enter this area throughout the school day, keeping students and staff safe.

## EXPANSION



*Lunchroom expansion*

The lunchroom was expanded to accommodate our increase in enrollment, providing students with adequate space throughout the lunch periods.

One of our 4<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms was relocated to the space that was previously utilized as the School Office.

## RELOCATION



*Fr. Ken blessing relocated classroom*

## ADDITION



*5<sup>th</sup> grade classroom*

At the start of the 2024-2025 school year our 5<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms moved into the former Borromeo Room. We were then able to offer two classrooms per grade level.



# UPCOMING EVENTS



**Open House**  
January 11, 2026



**Catholic Schools Week**  
January 25-31, 2026



**Roman Holiday Gala**  
April 18, 2026



**Teacher Appreciation Week**  
May 4-8, 2026

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