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FUND DONATES \$95,000 TO SACRED HEART SCHOOL - JOIN US JANUARY 25, 2026

A message from the Principal

Dear Friends and Supporters, As we welcomed our students back on August 7, our campus was once again filled with energy, laughter, and the promise of a new school year. We are blessed to have 238 students enrolled this year—each one a reminder of why our mission matters so deeply.

We are delighted to share that we have welcomed a new Preschool Director, while the rest of our dedicated team has joyfully returned. Anchored in our theme of hope, our faculty and staff began the year with renewed purpose—to nurture faith, character, and a love of learning in every child.

This year, we have also launched a new focus on learning by doing and serving. Through hands-on learning experiences and meaningful service projects, students are deepening their understanding of classroom lessons while living out the Gospel call to serve others. From our youngest learners to our middle school leaders, each grade is engaging in opportunities that connect faith, learning, and service in purposeful ways.

Thanks to the generosity of the Fr. Connors Endowment Trust Fund, we have been able to continue offering scholarships to families in need, ensuring that a Catholic education remains accessible to all who seek it. Every student deserves a Catholic education and the unwavering support of angel donors and generous supporters such as the Daughters of Charity, Congregation of the Mission, St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store, Mary Stuart Rogers Foundation, Stagnaro Scholarship, and SEEDS continue to make that a possibility. This support directly strengthens our Vincentian mission of service and compassion.

Additionally, your contributions have allowed us to purchase iPads for our second-

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grade class, bringing inquiry, innovation, and technology right to their fingertips. These tools are already sparking curiosity and collaboration in the classroom, preparing our students to thrive in an ever-changing world.

We are deeply grateful for your continued prayers and partnership. Together, we are forming hearts and minds grounded in faith, excellence, and hope.

Blessings,

Mrs. Theresa M. Rothstein

Principal Sacred Heart Catholic School

Community Service

Our school community came together in a big way this season! Due to the overwhelming generosity of students and families, the school collected enough donations to assemble 50 full boxes of food for local families in need.

Many students also added a personal touch by creating a hand-drawn picture or tag to include in each box. Such a small gesture that no doubt brought smiles and lifted spirits this holiday season.

Disbursement Check

We are pleased to announce that Sacred Heart Catholic School will receive a special disbursement check from the Father Connors Endowment Trust Fund. This generous gift of \$95,0000 will support the continued growth and mission of the school community.

The check will be formally presented during the 11:00 a.m. mass on Sunday, January 25. All parishioners, families and friends are warmly invited to attend and join us in gratitude for this meaningful contribution.

Rosary Garden

If you happen to be walking out of the Lopes Orchards De Paul Center, glance through the fence and to your right you will see the newly renovated beautiful rosary garden. It is a beautiful space designed for prayer, reflection, and peaceful gathering. This thoughtfully creed garden offers students and staff a quiet place to pause, connect and center themselves throughout the day.

This space is already a spot where conversations flourish, friendships grow, and moments of spiritual reflection naturally unfold. We look forward to seeing our community continue to find peace, inspiration, and camaraderie in the special new space.



VMY Hosts Breakfast

Vincentian Marian Youth group proudly hosted the annual Veteran's Day breakfast, welcoming veterans, families, and community members for a morning of gratitude and fellowship. They had a wonderful turnout, and it was a beautiful reflection of the school's deep appreciation for those who have served our country.

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An acknowledgement is sent to the family of the intended. The loved one is remembered at the First Friday mass of the students of SHCS.

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