



# **State of the School**

## **January 29, 2018**

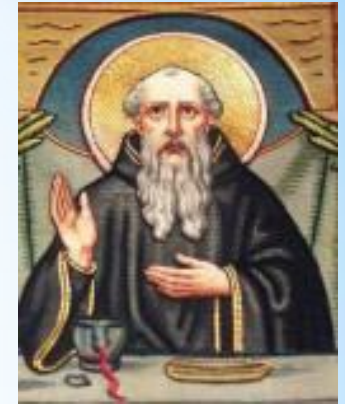
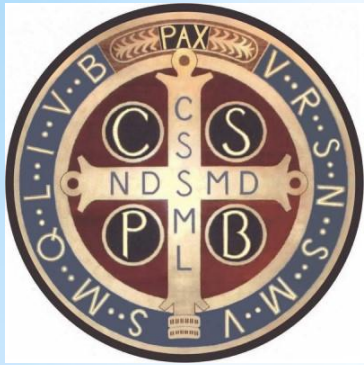
***Faith + Family + Excellence***



## Agenda

- Prayer and Introductions
- Foundational Documents Review
- What We Have Done
- Finances
- Development and Fundraising
- Where We Are Going
- Catholic Schools Week

***Faith + Family + Excellence***



# Our Parish Staff

**Father Tom Lilly (Pastor)**

**Father Robert Whitney (Parochial Vicar)**

**Les Maiman (Deacon)**

**Katherine Mitchell (Parish Secretary)**

**Marcy Adkins (Pastoral Assistant)**

**Danna Hoellering (Business Manager)**

**Isaac Whisman (Facilities and Maintenance)**

**Bob McMorrow (Director, Catechesis and Evangelization)**

**Gabe O'Lena (Junior High Youth Minister)**

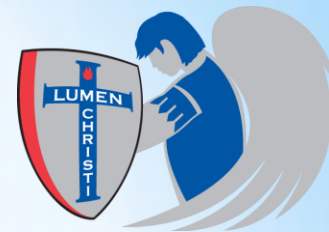
**Rebecca Berry (Office of Faith Formation)**

**Elise Zajicek (Youth and Young Adult Minister)**

**Ken Miller (Music Director)**

**Elaine Potter (Church Housekeeper)**

# Our School Board



**Carly Helgesen (Board Chair)**

**Father Tom Lilly (Pastor)**

**Deacon Les Maiman (Development)**

**Father Patrick Brosamer (Priest Representative)**

**Kara Moriarty (Recruitment and Retention)**

**Greg Gallagher (Development)**

**Bonnie Bezousek (Archdiocesan Representative)**

**Danna Hoellering (Business Manager)**

**Danielle Rybicki (PVO President)**

**Nikelle Sherman (Alumni Representative)**

**Shane Locke (Marketing)**

**Lea Bouton (Member)**

**Chris Michaelson (Finance)**

**Brian Ross (Principal)**

**Keith Williams (Information Technology)**

**Matt Fagnani (Member)**



# Our School Staff

**Brian Ross (Principal)**

**Jessica Estes (Front Office)**

**Debra Brewer (Dean of Academics)**

**Michael Bauzon (Dean of Students)**

**Elizabeth Loeffler (Campus Minister)**

**Stacy Robertson (Theology Chair)**

**Antje Carlson (Humanities Chair)**

**John Warren (Athletic Director)**

**Beau Palumbo (Social Studies)**

**Megan Spillers (Social Studies/Language Arts)**

**Alison Craig (Math/Science)**

**April Alvarez (Spanish)**

**Bob McMorrow (Theology)**

**Elise Zajicek (Theology)**

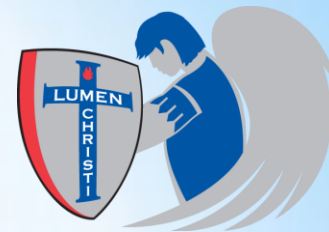
**Father Robert Whitney (Theology)**

**Ed Klem (Library)**



# Review of our Foundational Documents

*Faith + Family + Excellence*



# **Our Philosophy and Core Values (What we are called to be)**

**We are called to proclaim the  
Gospel of Jesus Christ,  
to build community,  
and to serve our brothers and sisters.  
We are united in our Core Values of  
*Living Faith, Celebrating Family,  
and Achieving Excellence***



# **Mission Statement**

## **(What we are called to do)**

**As a ministry of St. Benedict Parish,  
Lumen Christi High School provides a  
rigorous Catholic education in a  
Christ-like environment**

***Faith + Family + Excellence***





# What rigorous is NOT

- More Worksheets
- More Assignments
- More Homework
- Longer class periods
- Longer school days
- Less vacation time

***Faith + Family + Excellence***

# What rigorous is at Lumen



- Caring and qualified teaching staff
  - 12 to 1 student-teacher ratio
  - Standards based courses
  - Every 7-11th grader takes the PSAT
  - 22.5 graduation credits
  - 6 Attributes of Lumen Graduates
- =
- Challenging Curriculum
  - Tailored Instruction
  - Thinking Critically and Solving Problems
  - Group Collaboration
  - High Expectations and Standards



**Alaska Staff  
Development Network**  
Working Together to Make Schools Better

# 6 Attributes of Lumen Graduates



“Mind” (Academics)  
“Body” (Athletics)  
“Spirit” (Faith Life)

## Our Graduates:

- **Have a worldview centered in the teachings of Jesus Christ**
- **Respect the value and dignity of others as made in God’s image**
- **Are servant leaders in the Church, community, and society**
- **Strive to live justly and value service to others before self**
- **Communicate effectively, think critically, and solve problems**
- **Are confident and prepared for life’s challenges**



# What We Have Done

*Faith + Family + Excellence*



# Physical Enhancements

- Front door security
- New paint throughout
- Science lab cabinets
- “Chapel of the Archangels”
- “Hall of Virtues”
- Overnight janitorial service



# Academic Program Enhancements



- Advisory Program
- Online Course Offerings
- Dual Enrollment through MatSu Central, PACE, etc.
- National Honor Society chapter



The Virtual  
High School



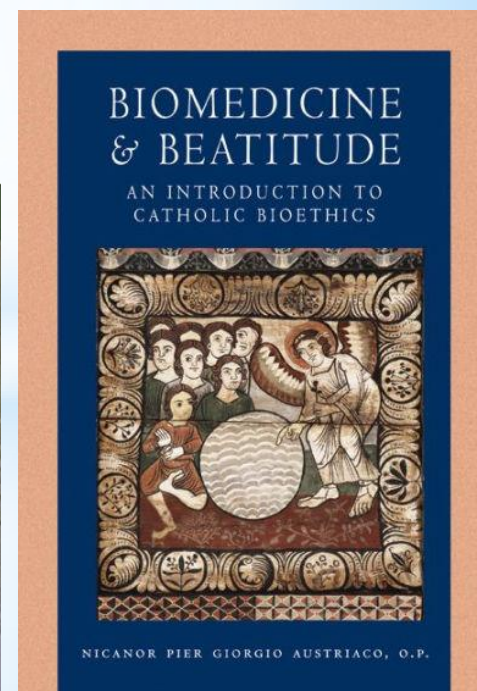
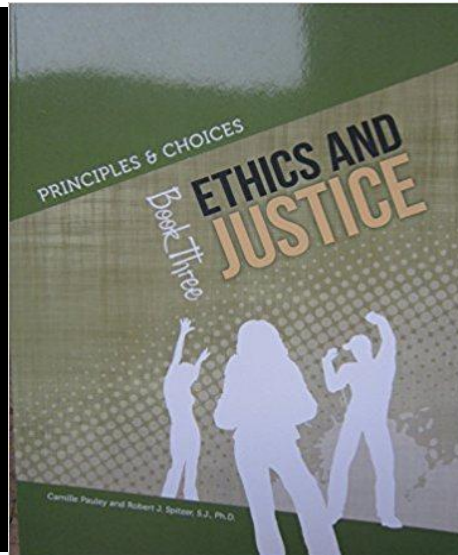
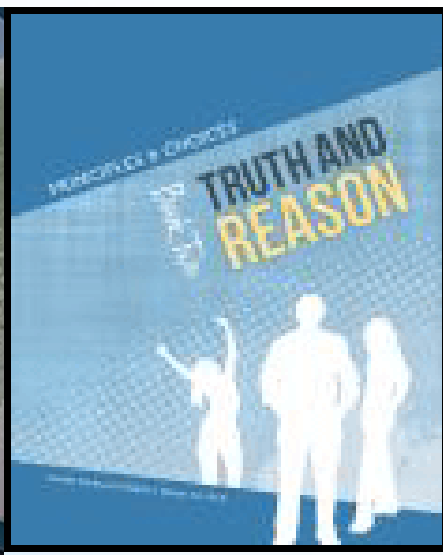
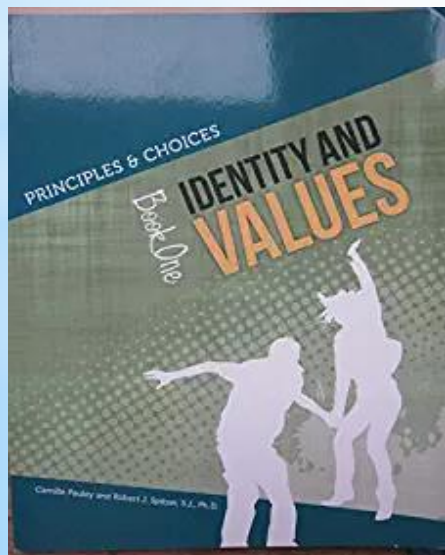
**MAT-SU CENTRAL**

Dynamic Personalized Learning

# Spiritual Program Enhancements



- Senior Retreat
- Principles and Choices Curriculum (9-11th)
- Human Dignity and Bioethics course (12<sup>th</sup> grade theology)
- Theology of the Body (8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>)





# Why the Focus On Human Dignity and Bioethics?

[Home](#) » [News](#) » [Vatican](#)

The Church must combat  
euthanasia mentality,  
Pope says

[Home](#) » [News](#) » [US](#)

First human embryos  
edited in the USA. Here's  
why it's problematic.





# Alumni Connections

- **Developing a Lumen Christi Alumni Association for over 200 graduates of our school**
- **Point of Contact: Nikelle Sherman (School Board Member)**



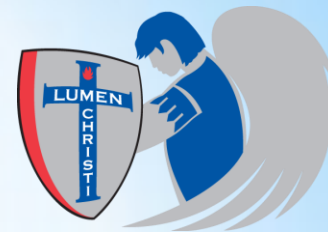
# Increase School Visibility in our Community

- Polar Plunge
- Jingle Bell Run
- Fur Rendezvous Parade
- Prestige Care Home



~~“BEST KEPT  
SECRET”~~





# Regular Communication with Lumen Christi Stakeholders

## 2016 - 2017 Annual Report

Lumen Christi Catholic High School



Faith, Family, Excellence!



Inside this issue:

Pastor/Board President	2
Thank you, Michell, Terry!	2
UAA Scholars Program	3
"And Then Some" Awards	3
Parish / School Financials	4
LUMEN-ary Drive	5
The Year in Pictures	6,7
"Lighting the Path" Donors	8
Schools Collection / PDF	9
Gala Auction / Alumni	10
"In Memoriam"	10
The Class of 2017!	11

Dear Parents, Alumni, and Friends of Lumen Christi,



It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the staff, students, and parents of Lumen Christi as the Principal for this past year. I serve alongside a wonderful staff of professionals, including April Alvarez, Mike Bauzon, Debbie Brewer, Antje Carlson, Alison Craig, Jessica Estes, Billy Hunt, Ed Klem, Liz Loeffler, Beau Palumbo, Stacy Robertson, and Megan Spillers. A ministry of St. Benedict Parish, we fulfilled our 2016-17 mission of providing a rigorous Catholic education in a Christ-like environment to over 80 students in grades 7-12. We embraced our Core Values of Faith, Family, and Excellence. We celebrated Mass, prayed the Rosary, completed community service projects, competed in athletics, put on a drama production, went on retreat, and attended classes. We also welcomed new faculty and a new Pastor, Father Tom Lilly. In May 2017, 13 members of the Class of 2017 joined the ranks of over 200 Lumen graduates. These fine young men and women have a worldview centered on the teachings of Jesus Christ, are servant leaders, strive to serve others before self, and respect the value and dignity of others as made in God's image and likeness.

As we look to the future, we have many exciting improvements for this coming year. Father Robert Whitney, Mr. Bob McMorrow, and Ms. Elise Zajicek will join our Theology faculty. Bob and Elise will be co-teaching a new 12th grade Theology course titled "Human Dignity and Bioethics" with our Campus Minister, Mrs. Liz Loeffler. Integrating faith and reason, this course will examine the principles of Catholic Social Teaching, especially as they relate to the dignity of the human person. This new addition to our curriculum will ensure that our graduates understand and can discuss current moral and bioethical issues facing Catholics in a spiritual and meaningful way. Another addition to our rigorous education is a formalized advisory program with dedicated time in our daily schedule for grade level cohorts to meet and foster whole-person growth in body, mind, and spirit. The summer brought many wonderful physical improvements to the school including fresh paint, new signs, new cabinets in the chemistry lab, and beautiful artwork and symbols of our faith throughout the building. One of our most special and welcome additions is our new Chapel of the Archangels, where students and staff can celebrate daily Mass, conduct liturgical services, and have a sacred space for prayer and reflection.

We hope you will celebrate Catholic education during Catholic Schools Week 2018 from January 29th to February 2nd. During this week, on January 29th at 7pm, we will host our annual "State of the School" Address. Father Tom and I hope you can join with teachers, School Board, parents, and friends of Lumen Christi for presentations on the school's mission, vision, finances, year-to-date accomplishments, fundraising efforts, future plans, and more. We hope to see you there! Thank you for your continued support and commitment to Lumen Christi! — **Principal Brian Ross**

LUMEN  
CHRISTI  
HIGH SCHOOL

## THE LUMEN MESSENGER

"Sharing the Good News!"

Volume 1, Number 1 - December, 2017

Welcome to the first edition of "The Lumen Messenger!" The purpose of this publication is to share monthly highlights of the good things happening at Lumen Christi Catholic High School! We sincerely appreciate the prayerful support and generous donations of time, talent, and treasure of our school families, distinguished alumni and their families, and supporters throughout the Archdiocese and the city of Anchorage. Enjoy a few stories and photos each month of "Life as an Archangel at Lumen Christi!"



Our students, faculty, staff, and families recently said "goodbye" to Coach Billy Hunt as he left for Arizona. Thank you, Coach Billy, for your time as Coach and Athletic Director. Good luck in all of your future endeavors! You will be missed.



Congratulations to our new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: **Maeve Bakic, Matthew Goodwin, Wolfgang Goorchenko, Mr. Harmon, Kaare Helgesen, Mark Loeffler, Nathan Marshall and Mrs. Spillers!**



Julianne Estes (Class of 2019) received the "And Then Some" award, which recognizes a Lumen Christi student who makes a significant and positive impact in the school and who goes above and beyond that which is normally expected. Julianne is an exemplary leader in our Big Archangel/Little Archangel mentoring program and Yearbook. She volunteers without hesitation, and is quietly humble in how she leads, acts, and lives out her faith. Congratulations, Julianne!



Our students have been busy collecting stuffing boxes for Catholic Social Services and frozen turkeys for St. Patrick's Parish. Our junior high class also helped pack boxes for Saint Benedict's Outreach Program.





# New Uniform Vendor

- Parker Uniforms declared bankruptcy
- Local Lands End store is closing w/Sears
- Tommy Hilfiger
  - Online shopping for Student, Staff, and Lumen Wear

SCHOOL  
UNIFORMS  
by TOMMY HILFIGER

*Faith + Family + Excellence*



# Finances

*Faith + Family + Excellence*

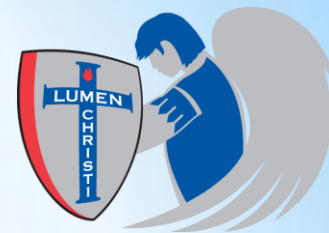
# Lumen Christi 2017 / 2018 School year budget

<b>Revenue</b>				
	<b>*Lighting the path</b>			<b>233,800</b>
	<b>*Attic</b>			<b>108,000</b>
	<b>*St Benedicts Parish</b>			<b>105,000</b>
	<b>*Gala</b>			<b>102,000</b>
	<b>*Lumenary Drive</b>			<b>60,000</b>
	<b>Other</b>			<b>23,630</b>
	<b>Concessions</b>			<b>35,900</b>
	<b>Gold cards</b>			<b>12,000</b>
	<b>Tuition and fees (77 students)</b>			<b><u>580,600</u></b>
				<b>1,260,930</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
	<b>Academic instruction</b>			<b>761,335</b>
	<b>Administration</b>			<b>205,868</b>
	<b>Sports</b>			<b>103,150</b>
	<b>Building</b>			<b>152,077</b>
	<b>Fundraising</b>			<b><u>38,500</u></b>
				<b>1,260,930</b>

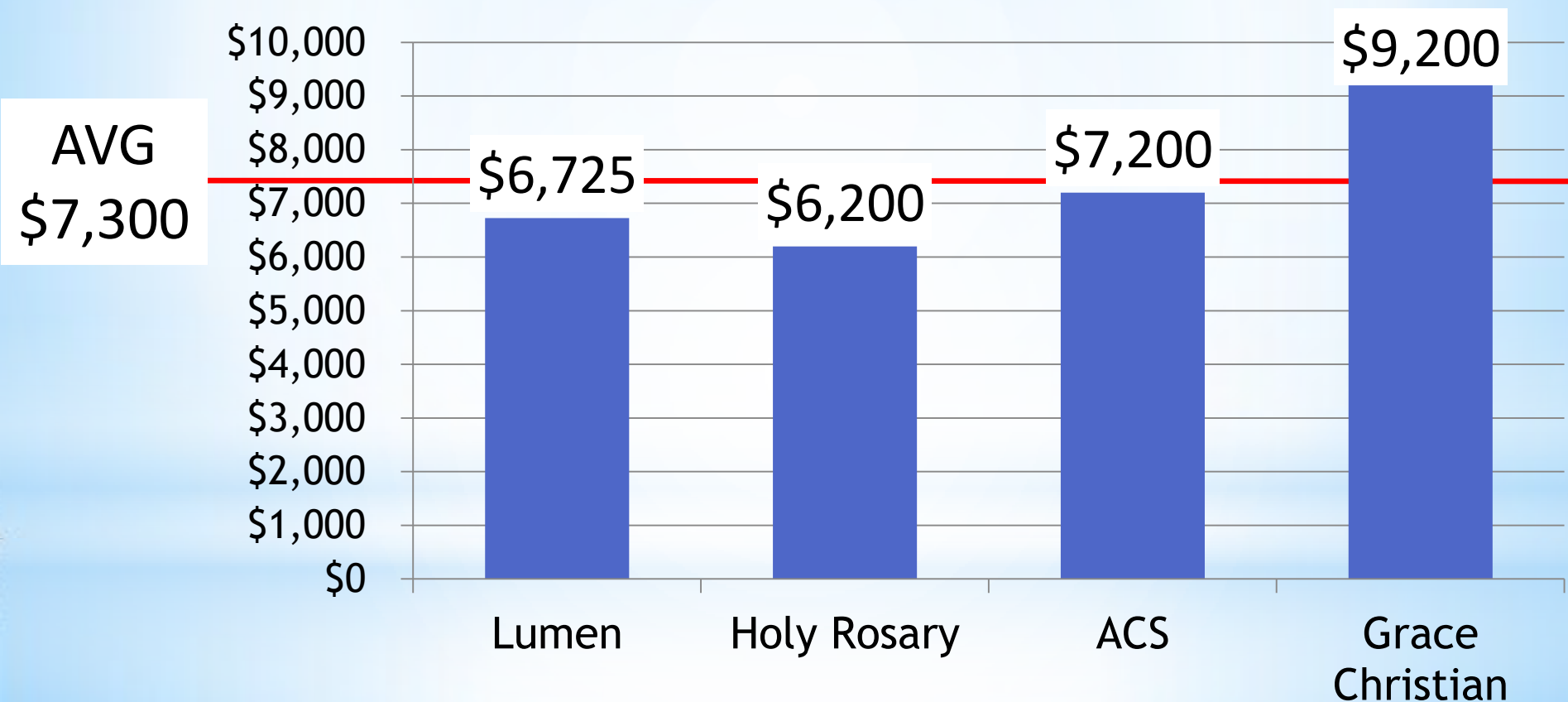
\* part of the big 5

<b>Actual Cost of a Lumen Education</b>	<b>\$16,360</b>
“Lighting the Path to the Future”	-\$3,050
Archangel Attic	-\$1,400
St Benedict Parish Investment	-\$1,400
Gala Auction	-\$1,380
LUMENARY Drive	-\$800
Other Donations	-\$200
Concessions Sales	-\$160
<u>Gold Card Sales</u>	<u>-\$160</u>
Tuition thanks to these efforts	\$7,810
Other Income	-\$685
<u>Fees (Registration/Book and Tech)</u>	<u>-\$400</u>
Tuition We Pay	\$6725

**BIG  
5**

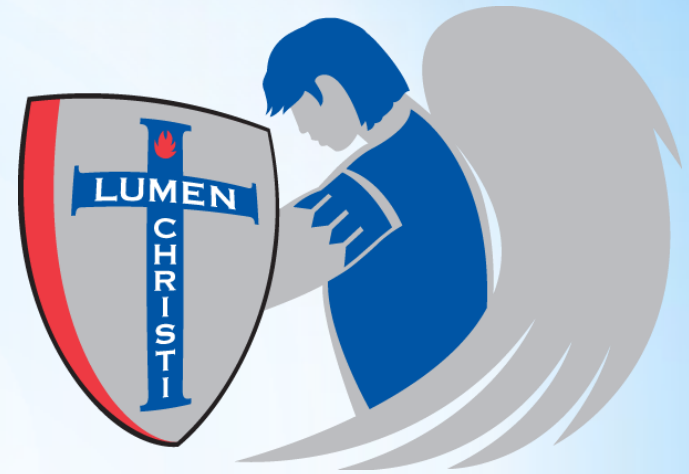


## Tuition Comparison in Anchorage



*Faith + Family + Excellence*





**“I suppose I’ll be the one  
to mention the elephant in the room.”**





# Development and Fundraising

*Faith + Family + Excellence*



# “Lighting the Path to the Future” *...it takes a village*



**Holy  
Family  
Cathedral**

**Saint Andrew  
Parish**



**Saint Benedict Church**  
A PARISH OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF ANCHORAGE



**Holy Cross Parish**

Over  
\$230,000  
for our  
school in  
planned  
giving



**Our Lady of Guadalupe**

**Saint Christopher  
By the Sea**

**12 Individual  
Donors**



**Sacred Heart Parish**

**Saint Francis Xavier**



# Gala Auction

- Saturday, Feb 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm
- Largest fundraiser of the school year
- Goal: \$100,000
- Fund a Project and Tuition Scholarship also

Lumen Christi High School invites you — 23rd Annual Gala & Auction



**MARDI GRAS**  
*Gala*

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10th, 2018**  
at **Lumen Christi High School**  
5:30 p.m.

Anchorage Corporate Table for 8 — \$1,200  
Family Table for 8 — \$700  
Individual Tickets — \$95

Now welcoming donations and reservations for the event.  
Please consider how you can contribute to the success  
of the auction by donating, then share in the fun on auction night!  
Call 273-1530 or e-mail [gala@lumenchristiak.com](mailto:gala@lumenchristiak.com).



A Mission of St. Benedict's Church, Catholic Archdiocese of Anchorage  
8110 Jewel Lake Road Anchorage, Alaska 99502

**LUMEN CHRISTI**  
HIGH SCHOOL



## Live Auction Item Example

- **1 Week Stay**
- **4 Bedroom, 7 Bath, 5000 sq ft Villa**
- **Manzanillo, Mexico**





## 2018 Fund a Project

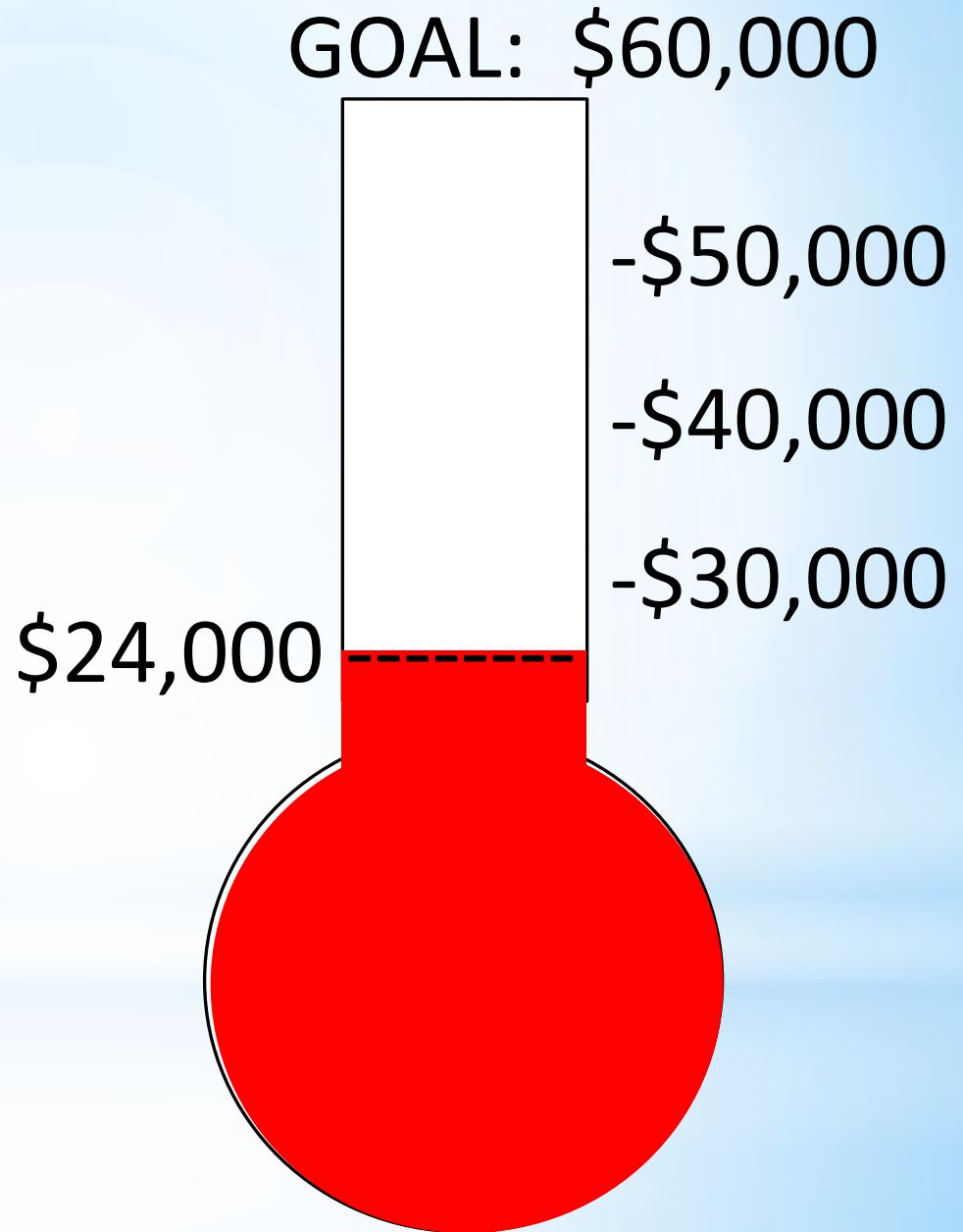
# SMART UHD TVs in each classroom

- Samsung Ultra High Definition SMART TV w/wall mount in 7 classrooms
- Cost: ~\$7000



# LUMENARY Drive

- 100% faculty participation
- 100% School Board participation
- 20% parent participation





# Parent Volunteer Organization

*Faith + Family + Excellence*





## Archangel Attic

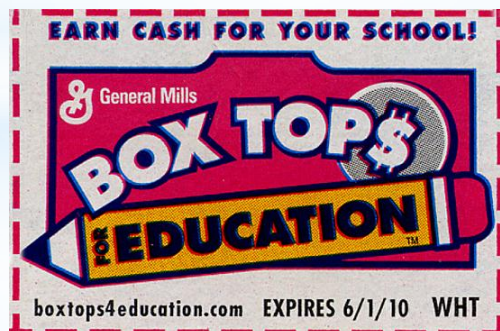
- All proceeds from sales support Lumen
- Over \$100,000 per year
- 12 Friday evenings last fall earned an extra \$3500!!
- About \$71/hr!!





## Other Ways to Fundraise

Pick.Click.Give.



*Faith + Family + Excellence*



# Where We Are Going

*Faith + Family + Excellence*



# School Library

- Goal: Identify a better use for our library space
  - Computer Lab?
  - “Student Union?”
  - Multimedia Center?





# Faith and Athletics

- Goal: Improve the faith and spiritual life of our Athletic Program
  - Team Prayer
  - Coaches and Team Pre-Season Retreats
  - Regular Sports Masses

CHARACTER † COMMITMENT † CHRIST

**2018 NCEA Visions for Excellence  
Soul of Youth Sports Conference**

February 21-23, 2018 | Lenexa, Kansas



***Faith + Family + Excellence***

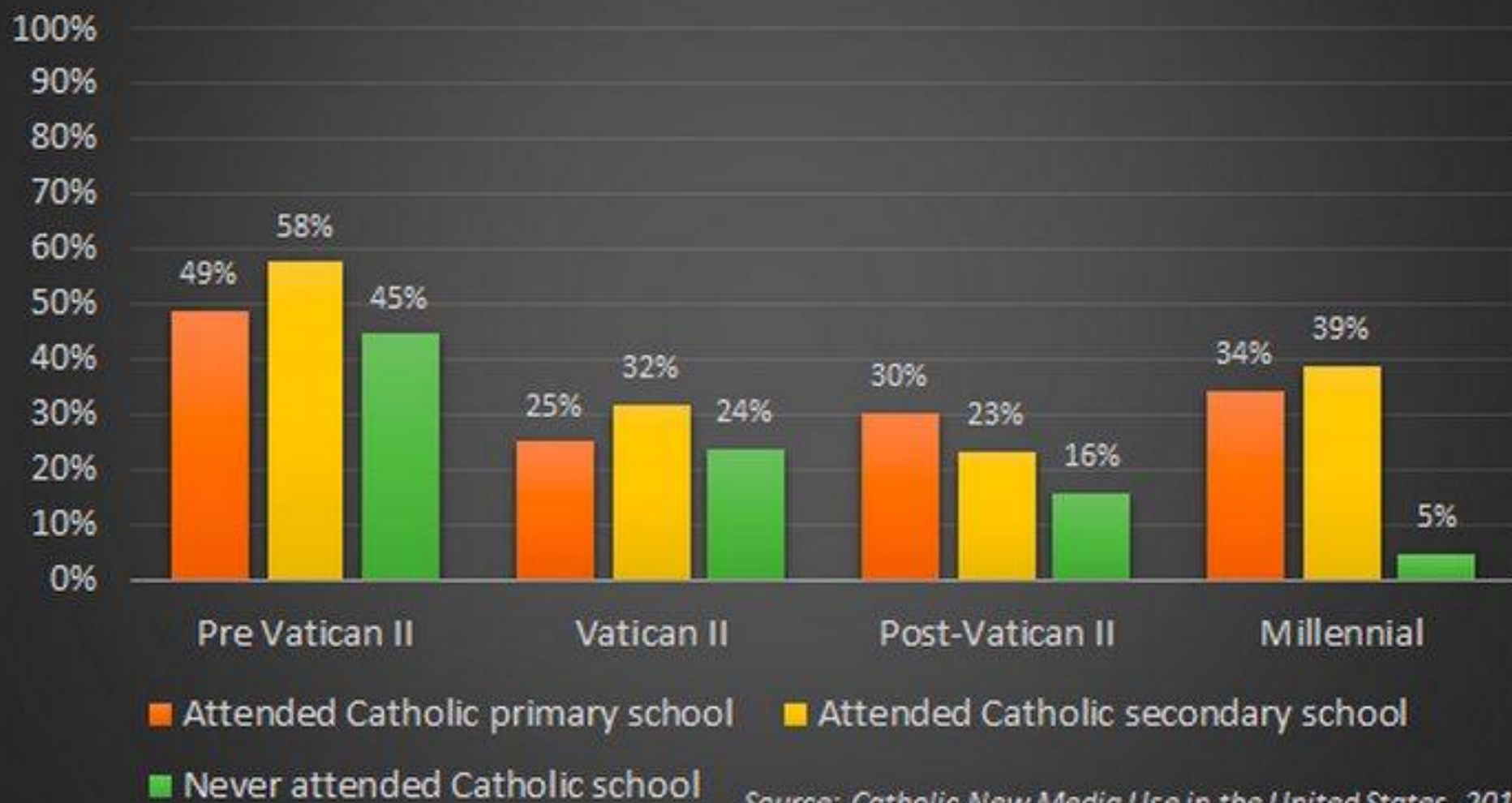


# Community Service Program

- Goal: Improve our Community Service program
  - Increase expectations for students to work outside of school i.e. 1/3 school, 1/3 church/parish, and 1/3 greater community
  - Opportunity for student written reflection
  - Develop faith in action opportunities on Friday afternoons

***Faith + Family + Excellence***

## Percentage of adult Catholics attending Mass weekly or more often by generation and Catholic school attendance



Source: Catholic New Media Use in the United States, 2012



# Celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2018

January 28 – February 3 #CSW18

- **Mon, Jan 29: All Schools Mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe (10:00am)**
- **Mon, Jan 29: Awards Assembly (2:00pm)**
- **Tues, Jan 30: Celebrating Our Students**
  - **Each student will receive a hand-written note from a teacher or staff member**
- **Wed, Jan 31: Celebrating Our Nation**
  - **Students will build baskets for local police and fire first responders**





# Celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2018

January 28 – February 3 #CSW18

- **Thurs, Feb 1: Celebrating Vocations**
  - Students write thank you notes to seminarians
- **Fri, Feb 2: Celebrating Faculty, Staff, Parents, and Volunteers**
  - Teachers are providing lunch to SEAS teachers
  - Students write thank you notes to donors and volunteers
- **Sat, Feb 3: All Parish Basketball Night (3-6pm)**
- **Sun, Feb 4: Community Mass at St. Ben's (10:30am)**



## **30-Day Challenge**

1. Invite a prospective family to our Open Houses on March 7 and April 5
2. Attend the Gala on Feb 10<sup>th</sup>
3. Support the LUMENARY Drive
4. Sign up to work a shift at the Attic
5. Submit a positive review of the school online on Great Schools, K12 Niche, Private School Review, and Google
  - Be entered to win a \$50 gift card!

***Faith + Family + Excellence***



**Thank you for attending and for your  
continued support to Lumen Christi!**

**Questions and Closing Prayer**

***Faith + Family + Excellence***