



Mater Dei has been blessed with a support community of faithful, caring, and generous people whose commitment to Catholic education has strengthened our promise to educate, foster faith, and develop gospel values. With the support of so many, we are able to continue providing the opportunity for the young men and women of our area to become a part of the tradition of academic excellence at Mater Dei.

This Annual Report is our opportunity to express our gratitude to all those alumni, parents, friends, faculty, and students who helped make this past year so successful. The listing of all who impacted Mater Dei last year is a complex task. If we have omitted you or someone you know from our lists enclosed, please accept our sincerest apologies. Thank you again for your continued support and generosity, and with great pride we present the 2019-2020 Mater Dei Catholic High School Annual Report.

## MATER DEI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL 2019-2020 ANNUAL REPORT

### *MD Baseball and Softball Fields Transformed*

Over the past two years, the baseball and softball fields at MD have been upgraded, reworked, and improved so that the varsity baseball and softball teams will be able to play true “home” games on the MD campus. JV teams will play at the Breese Northside Park.



## *Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship through Empower Illinois*

The Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship Program was designed for you to support Catholic education and at the same time reduce your Illinois tax liability. Up to 75% of what you donate each year through Empower Illinois will be an Illinois state tax credit to you. For example, if you will have an estimated yearly Illinois Tax amount of \$750.00 and you make a \$1,000.00 donation to Mater Dei Catholic High School through the Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship program using Empower Illinois, you will receive a \$750.00 Illinois tax credit for 2020 if made by December 31, 2020 (if you make a donation after January 1, 2021, it will be credited to tax year 2021). Thus, you will be making your out-of-pocket donation \$250.00. The benefit to Mater Dei is the use of the entire \$1,000.00 donation for ITC scholarships.

In order to take advantage of this IL tax credit, **YOU MUST FOLLOW THE DONATION PROCESS.**

You can find that information and supporting links on the Mater Dei website at [www.materdeiknights.org](http://www.materdeiknights.org). On the Mater Dei home page under Advancement, click on "How to Support Mater Dei" on the drop down menu. Among the options under "How to Support Mater Dei" will be "Invest in Kids Tax Credit Scholarship Program." Click this tab and you will find the links for the "Make My TCS Donation" page for new donors, the link for returning donors, and the link to a step-by-step guide under Helpful Resources.

Although this may seem to be a complicated process, it is made easy as you follow each step and the result will be that you are able to both save on your Illinois state tax liability and make a donation to Mater Dei Catholic High School. We are pleased that twenty individuals used this process during the 2019-2020 school year, contributing \$26,075.00, and that we recused an additional \$25,000.00 through the Schreiber Family Matching Donation Grant. These generous donations have allowed for eight scholarships to be awarded through this program. Please consider what you might be able to contribute this school year to benefit both your Illinois tax liability and to provide needed scholarship money for our students. Since the federal tax deduction has been significantly raised for donations to qualify, this alternate means of both reducing one's state tax liability and supporting Mater Dei Catholic High School makes a great deal of sense.

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*The Foundation wants to recognize those who have named Mater Dei as a memorial recipient.*

When the family designates Mater Dei as the memorial recipient, it is our privilege to celebrate their living memory with you. For the families who named Mater Dei as memorial recipients between July 2019 and June 2020, we thank you, and wish your family and friends peace.

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\*Angie Becker  
Deb Benhoff  
Ken Billhartz  
Mary Dant  
Rich Eilermann  
Mark Etter  
Shelly Feldmann  
Christina Frank  
Tim Fuehne  
Carl Gall  
Heidi Haar  
\*Joe Heiligenstein  
Brad and Donna  
Hummert  
Steve Kalmer  
Ron Kampwerth

Deb Knebel  
 Jim Kreke  
 \*Jim Lampe  
 Sandra Ruth-Diesen  
 \*Dorise Schulte  
 Rick Sherman  
 Beth Steck  
 Wayne Toennies  
 \*Dave Vandelloo  
 Mark Wiegmann

*Class of 1985*

\*Leon Bergmann  
 Lynette Eilermann  
 Dale Engelmann  
 Fran Etter  
 Marla Fusz  
 Lori Greene  
 \*A.J. Henken  
 Brian Holtgrave  
 Peggy Litteken  
 Dawn Maier  
 Terry and Theresa  
 Richards  
 Melanie Ryterski  
 Roger Strieker  
 Steve and Gail  
 Theising

*Class of 1986*

Ron Arentsen  
 Cristie Billhartz  
 Ken Boeser  
 \*Ed Foppe  
 Gary Gebke  
 \*Dennis Goebel  
 Ron Kohrmann  
 Merritt McCarthy  
 \*Susan McCray  
 Louise Morgan  
 Sharon Schriewer  
 \*Jeff D. Timmermann  
 Christine Toenjes  
 Dan Vandelloo  
 Mary Kay  
 Wiegmann

Carol Winkeler  
 Marsha Wobbe  
*Class of 1987*  
 \*Mark Berndsen  
 Jay Fuhler  
 \*Ed Garcia  
 Alan Gerdes  
 Rob and Dana Haag  
 \*Steve Heiligenstein  
 \*Vickie Hemann  
 Karen Knackstedt  
 \*Jason Lampe  
 Julie Peters  
 Curt Pollmann  
 \*Chris Rivera  
 Dean Schrage  
 \*Cassy Shelton  
 Craig Spihlman  
 Angie Toennies  
 \*Roger Toennies  
 Beth Wise

*Class of 1988*

*Class of 1988*  
 Craig Endres  
 John Foppe  
 Laura Gall  
 Joe Henken  
 \*Karen Huels  
 Karen Huelskamp  
 \*Neil and Carol  
 Hustedde  
 Vicki Kloeckner  
 Gina Peppenhorst  
 Brian Ritzheimer  
 \*Kate Rivera-Kunz  
 Chad and Denise  
 Sellers  
 Mike and Dana  
 Toeben  
 Dan Trame  
 \*Michael Voss

*Class of 1989*

*Class of 1989*  
 \*Dennis Book

Glenn Brokering  
 Chris Dorries  
 \*Nicole Gray  
 \*Kim Haake  
 Chris Holthaus  
 Mark Huelskamp  
 Kent Hustedde  
 \*Keith Kampwerth  
 Brian Kloeckner  
 \*Matthew Mannhard  
 Kurt Rickhoff  
 Craig and Monica  
 Schuetz  
 \*Tim and Jenny  
 Spihlman  
 \*Kelly Tomaszewski  
 Jessica Trame Butler

*Class of 1990*

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 \*Angela Clark  
 Marty Diekemper  
 \*Chad Holthaus  
 Tammy Kreke  
 Steven Kuper  
 Laura Liantonio  
 \*Mark Litteken  
 Troy Loepker  
 \*Dana Patton  
 Mike and Jenny  
 Rivera  
 \*Bill Vargo

*Class of 1991*

*Class of 1991*  
 Corey Booth  
 Renee Brokering  
 Brad and Barb Etter  
 Shannon Fehrmann  
 \*Stephanie Hamilton  
 \*Mark Mueller  
 Brenda Theising  
 \*Kevin Wilke  
*Class of 1992*  
 Amy Abert  
 \*Doug Boeckman

Rochelle Cox  
 Cindy Neumann  
 Cheryl Rakers  
 Jill Sinnock  
 Cristy Stone  
 Lisa Strieker  
 \*Lisa Vonder Haar

*Class of 1993*

*Class of 1993*  
 Melanie  
 Brandenburger  
 Matt Fehrmann  
 \*Jeff Gebke  
 \*Brian Huelsmann  
 Scott Kampwerth  
 \*Kevin Kehrer  
 \*Dawn Kleber  
 Tanya Loepker  
 \*Tricia Poettker  
 \*Christian Schroeder  
 Kristen Von Bokel  
 Kevin J. Voss  
 Ryan Winkeler

*Class of 1994*

*Class of 1994*  
 Chelsey Allaman  
 Paula Kampwerth  
 \*Kelly Klostermann  
 Kara Lydon  
 Colleen McDermott  
 \*Tracy Millard  
 Jaclyn Ratermann  
 Mindi Rickhoff  
 Andy Zieren  
 Curt and Maria  
 Zurliene  
*Class of 1995*  
 \*Matt and Staci Becker  
 \*Robin Dannerger  
 Nick Foppe  
 \*Mark Lampen  
 Lisa Napovanice  
 Jennifer Steinke  
 Lisa Voss

*Class of 1996*

*Class of 1996*  
 Dana  
 Beckmann-Marks  
 Nathan Haselhorst  
 \*Susan Heiligenstein  
 Scott and Lynette  
 Huegen  
 Mike Hustedde  
 Kurt Kalmer  
 Doug and Diane  
 Kuhl  
 Cheryl Luessenheide  
 \*Troy Pingsterhaus  
 Mark Rakers  
 Jeff and Kate  
 Ripperda

*Class of 1997*

*Class of 1997*  
 John and Tammy  
 Beer  
 \*Krista Davis  
 Jessica Dobrynski  
 Brad Eversgerd  
 \*Stacy Johnson  
 \*Carrie Kehrer  
 \*Eric Kues  
 Craig Kuhl  
 \*Tricia Litteken  
 Ryan Newkirk  
 \*Adam Zieren

*Class of 1998*

*Class of 1998*  
 Julie Bartel  
 \*Jason Fuehne  
 Diane Hodapp  
 \*Bryan Holthaus  
 Jamie Jung  
 Kelly Kienlen  
 Angie Kohlbrecher  
 \*Keith Langenhorst  
 Karrie Rakers



*Class of 1999*

\*Bryn Holevoet  
Amy Kaelin  
Tim Koerkenmeier  
\*Jenna Kues  
Sean Palas  
Nathan  
Porzukowiak  
Dominie  
Sabatino-Donat  
Megan Sullivan

*Class of 2000*

Abigail  
Jackson-Kuofie  
\*Scott Wobbe

*Class of 2001*

Lindsey Berry  
Beth Bohnenstiehl  
\*Kevin and Meghan  
Eversgerd  
Nick Hollenkamp  
Neil Kohnen  
Jason and Krystal  
Litteken  
Chris Poettker  
\*Paul Rinella

*Class of 2002*

Andy Buller  
Joe and Brooke  
Dierkes  
Mia Friederich  
Craig Heinzmann  
Justin Kleber  
\*Travis Koerkenmeier  
Josh Mahlandt  
Jon Rainey  
Ryan Voss

*Class of 2003*

Matt Albers  
Joel Beer

Craig Benhoff  
\*Dane Boeckman  
Kyle Eversgerd  
Sam Fangmeyer  
Blair Frank  
Eric and Michelle  
Gebke  
Chris Hemker  
\*Allen Hodapp  
Paul Klostermann  
Mark McNamara  
Lauren Melton  
Jenna Poettker  
\*Bailey Rinella  
Randy Venhaus  
Jill Voss

*Class of 2004*

Ann Cannaday  
Lauren  
Heckenkemper  
Stephanie Hemker  
Braden Henze  
Jill Klostermann  
Colleen Kunz  
Michael Lampen  
Stacie LeCroy  
Luciana Sabatino  
Jaclyn Schmitt  
\*Keith and Kristen  
Varel  
Colbey Voss  
Danielle Weber

*Class of 2005*

Holly Albers  
\*Amber Brooke  
Sarah Eckelkamp  
Devin  
Heckenkemper  
Ryan and Shanna  
Litteken  
Courtney Mahlandt  
Amy Ritzheimer  
Josh Thole

*Class of 2006*

Elizabeth Antonacci  
Beth Hollenkamp  
Eric Johnson  
\*Brad Knolhoff  
\*Whitney  
Koerkenmeier  
Gavin Rehkemper  
Laura Thompson  
Aaron Venhaus  
\*Alex Wiegmann

*Class of 2007*

Casey Benhoff  
Jacob Deiters  
Kelsey Eversgerd  
\*Lauren Gaudion  
Ellen Huelsmann  
Jared Huelsmann  
Brittany Jansen  
Bailey Rainey

*Class of 2008*

Aaron Becker  
Megan Benhoff  
Zack Boeckmann  
\*Jim Dreas  
Taylor Edmonds  
Matt Feldmann  
Natalie Hamm  
Emily Kohnen  
Cole Schomaker  
Christine Wheeler

*Class of 2009*

\*Brent Becker  
Megan Buehne  
Stephen Gramlich  
\*Robert Hoerner  
Andrew Kampwerth  
Allison Kantner  
Jeremy Kueper  
Emily Maue  
Kayla Revermann  
Michelle Thole

\*Justin Vonder Haar  
Cortney Walker  
Beth Winkeler

*Class of 2010*

Austin Benhoff  
John Huelsmann  
Morgan Pollmann  
Nathan and Allyson  
Vandeloo  
Lacey Venhaus

*Class of 2011*

\*Joey Deiters  
Rocco Gonzalez  
Jacob Kampwerth  
Amanda Peters  
Zac Revermann  
Cody and Karlie  
Tebbe  
Travis Timmermann  
\*Kaley Vonder Haar  
Molly Winkeler

*Class of 2012*

Drew Dumstorff  
Lauren Haukapp  
Kayla Hitpas  
Corinne Holtmann  
Kayla Huelsmann  
Alyssa Kampwerth  
Joseph Kasson  
Ally Pingsterhaus  
\*Sarah Pollmann  
Nicole Ripperda  
Alex and Kristen  
Toennies  
Ellen Toennies  
\*Alex and Larisa  
Vandeloo

*Class of 2013*

Jordan Becker  
Clare Chiarolanza

Kyle Kohnen  
Anna Lampe  
Connor Pollmann  
Kari Wiegmann  
Bailey Wilson

*Class of 2014*

Jessika Bossler  
Reid Holtmann  
Danielle Kalmer  
Anna Kuczka  
Walker Mondt

*Class of 2015*

Grace Chiarolanza  
Katie Foppe

*Class of 2016*

Clint Morris  
\*Nick Pollmann  
Courtney Trame  
Ashley Vonder Haar

*Class of 2017*

No one

*Class of 2018*

No one

*Class of 2019*

Caitlin Trame

*Class of 2020*

Christian Jourdan  
Austin Voss

*Class of 2021*

\*Spencer Gramann  
Tyler Janota

*Friends*

\*Anonymous AT&T  
 \*Anonymous  
 Wells Fargo  
 \*Tony and Deb  
 Antonacci  
 \*Jeanette Benhoff  
 Arnie and Peg  
 Bodinet  
 Jim and Kathy Book  
 Carol Carrillon  
 \*Charlie Chiarolanza  
 \*Alvina Donnewald  
 Kent and Lee Anne  
 Emig  
 \*Jack and Mary Alice  
 Etter  
 Mary Lou Feldmann  
 \*Joe and Mary Lou  
 Fischer  
 \*Ben and Linda  
 Fuehne  
 Maryann  
 Grapperhaus  
 Jeff and Karen  
 Greenstreet  
 \*Betty Gross  
 \*Germantown Trust  
 and Savings Bank  
 \*Deron Haake  
 Rich and Marcie  
 Hacker  
 Barney Heiligenstein  
 \*Harold Heinzmann  
 Lisa Helmink  
 Mary Ann Hempen  
 \*Mary Hogg  
 \*Judy Hereford  
 Ron and Susan  
 Holevoet  
 Agnes T. Huelsmann  
 Andy Huelsmann  
 Bernard and Irene  
 Huelsmann  
 Marcellus and  
 Dolores Huelsmann  
 Oscar Hughes, Jr.  
 \*Ray and Rose  
 Husmann

\*Jim and Bernadette  
 Jansen  
 Lorinda Jansen  
 \*Darin Johnson  
 Millie Johnson  
 \*David and Debbie  
 Jourdan  
 Jim Karpel  
 \*Henry and Ruby  
 Kasson  
 \*Wayne Kay  
 Roman Kloeckner  
 \*Clarence and Joan  
 Kohlbrecher  
 Janet Kohlbrecher  
 Dolores Krebs  
 Lavern and Rose  
 Kuhl  
 \*Robert and Mary  
 Kuper  
 Dolly Lampe  
 \*James and Joanne  
 Lampe  
 \*Ralph and Ruth Ann  
 Langhauser  
 \*Jennifer Litteken  
 \*Lucille Loepker  
 \*Marian Luebbers  
 \*Susan Lynch  
 \*George and Phyllis  
 Marron  
 \*Jim and Kathleen  
 McDermott  
 \*Tony Mueth  
 \*Dave and Kathy  
 Mulvin  
 Greg and Marie  
 Niemeyer  
 Steve and Susan  
 Normansell  
 \*Pat and Esther  
 Norrenberns  
 \*Norb and Alice  
 Pingsterhaus  
 Edmund Priebe  
 \*Lawrence Rakers  
 Ray and Judy Rainey  
 \*Mark Renschen

R. Joe and Barb  
 Richter  
 \*Dr. and Mrs. Renato  
 Rivera  
 \*Don Schmitz  
 Frances Schnieder  
 \*David and Cathie  
 Schroeder  
 \*Andrew Schuler  
 \*Pete Schumacher  
 \*Joe Smyth  
 \*Ken and Neide  
 Steiner  
 \*Wayne and Norma  
 Steiner  
 \*Tom and Vickie  
 Sullivan  
 \*Dolores Talleur  
 Beatrice Tebbe  
 Marge Tebbe  
 \*Joan Theising  
 \*Bill Timmermann  
 Bob and Debbie  
 Vance  
 Barbara Voss  
 Richard Wagner  
 \*Ted and Laura Voss  
 \*Neal Welz  
 Andrew Winkeler  
 Selma Wuebbels  
 Dorothy Zinn

*Faculty*

\*Christine Gramann  
 Dennis Litteken  
 Joe McNamara  
 Dwight and Shelli  
 Thomas  
 \*Rev. Charles Tuttle

*Staff*

Debbie Benhoff  
 Blanche Goebel  
 Beth Grapperhaus  
 Mark Huelskamp  
 Kathy Huelsmann  
 Kelly Kienlen

Colleen McDermott  
 Mary Miesner  
 \*Julie Mueth  
 \*Deb Ratermann  
 \*Lora Schultz  
 Cristy Stone  
 Bob Strieker  
 Angie Toennies  
 \*Dennis Trame  
 Maria Zurliene

*School Board*

\*Keith Kampwerth  
 Paul Klostermann  
 \*Mary Lampe  
 \*Joe Millard  
 \*Brian Patton  
 Jill Sinnock  
 \*Roger Toennies  
 \*Lisa Vonder Haar

*Foundation Board*

\*Kathy Dierkes  
 \*Terese Kasson  
 \*Tricia Poettker  
 \*Matt Rakers  
 \*Lee Rinderer  
 Joanne Stevenson  
 \*Amy Wobbe  
 \*Andy Zieren

*Organizations*

\*Bishop Althoff  
 4th Degree  
 \*Catholic Holy Family  
 Council #82-Breese  
 \*Knights of Columbus  
 Council  
 #2869-Breese  
 \*Poor Handmaids of  
 Jesus Christ  
 \*St. Anthony-St Ann  
 Sodality, Beckemeyer  
 St. Anthony Parish,  
 Oakdale, IL

\*St. Augustine Holy  
 Name Society, Breese  
 \*St. Augustine-St Monica  
 CCW, Breese  
 \*St. Charles and  
 St. Michael Catholic  
 Churches  
 \*St. Damian Church,  
 Damiansville

*Pastoral Leaders*

Deacon Stephen  
 AuBuchon  
 \*Phyllis Berndsen  
 Deacon John  
 Blumenstein  
 \*Rev. James Buerster  
 \*Rev. Jim Deiters  
 Fr. Adrian Fischer,  
 O.F.M.  
 Deacon John Hempen  
 Sr. Linda Jansen,  
 SSND  
 Deacon Linus  
 Klostermann  
 Rev. Andrew Knopik  
 Sr. Theresa Markus  
 Rev. George Mauck  
 Rev. Dale Maxfield  
 Deacon John Mote  
 Sr. Dorothy  
 Niemann, SCSC  
 Sr. Ellen Orf, CPPS  
 \*Rev. Patrick Peter  
 Rev. Joseph Rascher  
 Sr. Barbara Rupp,  
 SSND  
 Rev. Edward Schaefer  
 Bishop Stanley  
 Schlarman  
 \*Rev. Charles Tuttle  
 \*Fr. Oliver Wachukwu,  
 Ph.D  
 \*Perri Wesselmann

## MATER DEI ANNUAL FUND DRIVE SUMMARY OF CLASS PARTICIPATION

Class year	No. Students	No. Giving	% class giving	No. gifts	Average gift	Class total
1955	52	9	14	14	\$1,111.43	\$15,560.00
1956	40	12	30	19	\$99.73	\$1,895.00
1957	50	6	12	8	\$70.00	\$560.00
1958	68	9	19	13	\$70.96	\$922.50
1959	132	24	18	25	\$161.04	\$5,797.50
1960	127	18	14	28	\$120.89	\$3,385.00
1961	133	24	18	31	\$284.51	\$8,820.00
1962	140	38	27	55	\$122.00	\$6,710.00
1963	150	41	27	68	\$136.51	\$9,282.50
1964	190	33	17	43	\$161.69	\$6,952.50
1965	234	41	18	45	\$265.67	\$11,955.00
1966	246	37	15	44	\$123.70	\$5,442.50
1967	270	26	10	34	\$294.39	\$10,009.23
1968	286	47	16	60	\$249.80	\$14,987.50
1969	289	32	11	41	\$257.26	\$10,547.48
1970	281	27	10	29	\$122.24	\$3,545.00
1971	254	24	9	30	\$118.00	\$3,540.00
1972	212	23	11	27	\$228.33	\$6,165.00
1973	209	31	15	36	\$91.53	\$3,295.00
1974	185	33	18	43	\$164.48	\$7,072.50
1975	197	30	15	40	\$253.25	\$10,130.00
1976	177	30	17	33	\$168.03	\$5,545.00
1977	166	30	18	37	\$107.19	\$3,966.20
1978	164	36	22	48	\$187.62	\$9,005.75
1979	169	40	24	64	\$85.93	\$5,499.50
1980	159	32	20	47	\$308.36	\$14,492.75
1981	163	31	19	38	\$208.09	\$7,907.50
1982	172	32	19	55	\$91.11	\$5,011.00
1983	150	25	17	27	\$127.59	\$3,445.00
1984	164	25	15	27	\$79.26	\$2,140.00
1985	149	16	11	16	\$63.44	\$1,015.00
1986	150	17	11	27	\$114.50	\$3,091.50
1987	157	18	12	43	\$132.26	\$5,687.00
1988	174	18	10	25	\$142.30	\$3,557.50
1989	139	18	13	33	\$132.03	\$4,357.00
1990	151	12	8	22	\$148.26	\$3,261.80
1991	146	9	6	10	\$146.00	\$1,460.00
1992	125	9	7	12	\$143.33	\$1,720.00
1993	155	12	7	18	\$278.11	\$5,006.02
1994	149	11	7	12	\$152.50	\$1,830.00
1995	143	8	6	8	\$225.00	\$1,800.00
1996	132	14	11	15	\$114.00	\$1,710.00
1997	155	11	7	12	\$352.92	\$4,235.00
1998	131	9	7	20	\$110.50	\$2,210.00
1999	113	8	7	31	\$60.63	\$1,879.54
2000	146	2	1	3	\$175.00	\$525.00
2001	147	9	6	10	\$229.25	\$2,292.50
2002	152	10	7	13	\$49.42	\$642.50
2003	139	18	13	19	\$185.66	\$3,527.50
2004	149	14	9	14	\$62.14	\$870.00
2005	146	8	5	9	\$94.44	\$850.00
2006	115	9	8	11	\$81.68	\$898.50
2007	128	8	6	9	\$103.89	\$935.00
2008	106	11	10	14	\$93.21	\$1,305.00
2009	128	13	10	19	\$88.16	\$1,675.00
2010	124	6	5	7	\$28.57	\$200.00
2011	132	10	8	22	\$56.59	\$1,245.00
2012	123	15	12	17	\$67.06	\$1,140.00
2013	124	7	6	8	\$52.50	\$420.00
2014	107	5	5	5	\$51.00	\$255.00
2015	109	2	2	2	\$67.50	\$135.00
2016	112	4	4	4	\$78.75	\$315.00
2017	118	0	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
2018	99	0	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
2019	95	1	1	1	\$10.00	\$10.00
2020	108	0	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
2021	99	2	2	4	\$48.75	\$195.00
Friends		107		196	\$216.91	\$42,514.90
Anonymous						\$25,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>						<b>\$331,358.17</b>

## *Mater Dei – Always Ahead of the Times*

Who would have thought that we would be faced with a health crisis not seen for over a century and the devastating effect it would have in disrupting the normal course of human affairs! There are things that can come out of nowhere and leave one very unprepared and vulnerable. When schools were closed on March 17, 2020, it was thought that the closure would be for two weeks, then came the fateful decision in Illinois at the end of the month to remain closed longer, and then the final mandate that schools would not open for the remainder of the semester. What were schools, administrations, teachers, students, and parents to do? How were the adaptations necessary going to be implemented? How could a true educational and learning environment be sustained?

Mater Dei Catholic High School was ahead of the curve by far! Our E-learning Day process provided an excellent jumping off platform. Both our teachers and students were acquainted with how to teach and learn remotely. As the days turned into weeks and then months, it was evident that our faculty was able and willing to keep our students engaged and on topic.

How was this accomplished? Through the dedication of our committed group of educators; the insight and creative efforts of our Principal; the focused attention of our students; the patience, understanding, and cooperation of our parents; and the generosity of our benefactors, who help create a truly well-funded educational environment in which our students can and do learn, whether it be on campus, in the classroom, or by remote video.

The 2020-2021 school year has begun with face-to-face learning and although we cannot know or even predict how the first semester will unfold, we can be certain of this: no matter what we are faced with, what challenges may arise, and what changes may need to occur, Mater Dei is ready. We have your support and are faith driven and that makes all the difference!

### **The Annual Fund Drive – “Providing for Today and Securing for the Future”**

Donating to the annual fund drive is a way for our benefactors, and especially our alumni, to realize just how important they are to the continued successful operation of the educational program at Mater Dei, both for current needs and future development. For three generations, Mater Dei has provided a caring environment in which students have been challenged to experience God in

themselves and in others through a cultivation of respect and a commitment to service. Without the sustained dedicated support of our benefactors, like you, Mater Dei could not accomplish its mission and our parishes would not have the lay leadership they so drastically need.

It has been said, “A generous person is enriched through the act of giving.” Even through difficult and challenging economic times, you, our benefactors, have recognized the significant difference your generosity does and can make to enhance the educational program and progress of Mater Dei, and through your giving, both you and Mater Dei are blessed. For the 2020-2021 Annual Fund Drive we are going to continue our emphasis on “Major Gifts” and “Planned Giving” as ways in which we can continue to build upon the tradition of the past by securing a solid foundation for the future.

Major gifts help to grow the annual fund drive faster. A contribution of \$250.00 or more is considered a major gift. This year’s annual report lists the contributors and an asterisk in front of a donor’s name indicates that that person made a major gift to the fund drive. A major gift can also be attained through the benefit of a matching gift from your business or corporation. One can make a major gift by contributing \$125.00 and having a matching gift of \$125.00.

The process of making a major gift for as little as \$250.00 can be simplified by making monthly or quarterly donations either through our on-line giving availability or by setting up payroll deductions. Your specified amount will be automatically deducted and then deposited directly to Mater Dei. These can easily be coordinated with your business or corporation or easily done on-line at the Mater Dei website with your initial donation and indicating it to be a recurring donation. And don’t forget to check with your Human Resources department to see if your donation to Mater Dei will qualify for a matching gift.

Planned giving is a way to manage your affairs, plan for the future, and make a gift to Mater Dei Catholic High School or the Mater Dei Foundation. Planned gifts are a variety of charitable giving methods that allow you to express your personal values by integrating your charitable, family, and financial goals. Making a planned charitable gift usually requires the assistance of a knowledgeable advisor such as an attorney, financial planner, or CPA to help structure the gift. Donors should seek charitable gift planning advice from professionals with integrity, expertise, and experience

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in law, investments, property, tax and charitable transfers in order to assure both the technical merits of the transfer and the philanthropic quality of the gift.

Planned gifts can be made with cash, but many planned gifts are made by donating assets such as IRA's, life insurance, annuities, stocks, real estate, art pieces, or business interests – the possibilities are endless, considering all types of real and personal property and tangible and intangible assets. Planned gifts can provide valuable tax benefits and/or lifetime income for you and your spouse or other loved one. The most frequently-made planned gifts are bequests to charities, made through your will. Other popular planned gifts include charitable trusts.

### **Why Should I make a Planned Gift?**

Planned gifts give you options for making your charitable gifts in ways that may allow you to:

- ❖ Make a larger charitable gift than you thought possible
- ❖ Increase your current income
- ❖ Plan for the financial needs of a spouse or loved one
- ❖ Provide inheritances for your heirs at a reduced tax cost

- ❖ Reduce your income tax and/or avoid capital gains tax
- ❖ Diversify your investment portfolio
- ❖ Receive income from your personal residence or farm
- ❖ Plan for the transfer of your business
- ❖ Leave a charitable legacy for future generations

Please remember Mater Dei and the Mater Dei Foundation in your planned giving options.

The Mater Dei Foundation is a very important component of planned giving and financial support to Mater Dei. Each year Mater Dei receives the interest that is earned on the investments of the Foundation. Thus, money invested in the Mater Dei Foundation addresses both present and future needs. Our Planned Giving Coordinator, Amy Wobbe, would be happy to meet with anyone interested in discussing gifting to the Mater Dei Foundation.



Fr. Chuck Tuttle

Director, Office of Advancement

## *Meet the Mater Dei Foundation Board*

One of Mater Dei's greatest strengths is its community of people dedicated to it. In many conversations with you as donors, alumni, grandparents, and community, you have demonstrated great care and awareness in helping to sustain Mater Dei's future.

It is the responsibility of our volunteers on the Mater Dei Foundation Board to plan, invest, and grow your donations to create a secure financial future for our school.

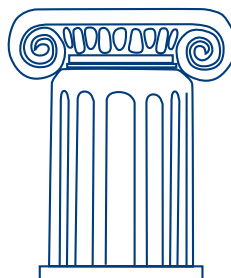
### **Meet the 2020-2021 Foundation Board**

Matt Rakers- (President), Aviston  
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 Joanne Stevenson- (Secretary), Breese  
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 Brent Rickhoff, Albers  
 Terese Kasson, Breese  
 Lee Rinderer, Highland

**We thank all current and past Foundation Board members who volunteered their time, skills, and professionalism to prepare our school for future generations!**

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# **MATER DEI FOUNDATION**

**SECURE YOUR FUTURE  
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## *Long Term Planning for the Foundation*

The world continues to change, and thinking about how we structure the future has become more of a focus. We are asking questions in different ways, and looking at possibilities we never thought were possible. The way we plan is fluid, but the goal remains the same:

**To provide an affordable, quality Catholic education.**

### **What We Do Well**

One of the biggest factors that impact the future of our school is the conversation around tuition. Student enrollment, economic changes, income of contributors... these and more impact tuition. You should be proud to know that Mater Dei is a leader in keeping tuition rates down while maintaining the quality of education. Looking at all high schools in Clinton County, the average cost to educate a student is \$10,371.00. With that cost per student, the tuition rates that Mater Dei holds demonstrates how efficient and well balanced it is to provide the education it does at the cost it does.

It provides a great balance to competitiveness, options, and overall lower taxes needed for education in Clinton County. When comparing Mater Dei to other Catholic schools in our dioceses, Mater Dei continues to lead the way in keeping this mission.

To send one "in district Catholic student" to Althoff High School, the tuition is \$7,950.00 compared to Mater Dei's \$5,686.00. As we discuss continued barriers and future plans, it needs to be highlighted how exceptional Mater Dei, Mr. Litteken, and many teams work hard to maintain our mission of an affordable Catholic education.

### **What We Need To Consider**

Recent times bring a focus on long term planning. Questions arise such as how are we making plans around long term support from parishes and what are long term sustainability plans with decreased enrollment. These, among many, are all valid questions as we look at long-term planning with Mater Dei.

As there are many solutions that go into planning, one of the main resolutions to lean on is the Mater Dei Foundation. The Foundation's purpose is to be that available source to balance these concerns should they arise. Our Foundation has been steady for ten or more years, but has not been growing to meet our projected needs. With a closer look at our future needs, it is imperative we concentrate on growing the Foundation. Due to the significant role the Foundation plays, growing the Foundation goes beyond annual funding. A larger scale need is at stake. Counting on donations beyond the present and into the future is necessary. These contributions would include estate planning and asset donations such as real estate, IRA's, stocks, bonds, and larger scale contributions to the Mater Dei Foundation.

*Don't think about what more you could give today; think about what you could give in the future.*

For more information about the Mater Dei Foundation contact Amy Wobbe, Foundation Planned Giving Coordinator, at 618-978-9091 by phone, or by email at [awobbe@materdeiknights.org](mailto:awobbe@materdeiknights.org).

### *Did You Know . . .*

Since its incorporation in 1988, the Mater Dei Foundation has distributed the income on its investments to Mater Dei Catholic High School totaling \$1,781,904.00, and the total for ALL Foundation distributions made to Mater Dei Catholic High School is \$2,508,758.45.

## *Scholarships Offer the Gift of Catholic Education*

Mater Dei Catholic High School is committed to making Catholic education affordable and attainable for all parents who wish to send their children to Mater Dei. There are several financial resources available to aid families with their tuition commitment.

The most important resource is the endowed

scholarship. This type of scholarship is set up by a donor or group of donors who fund the specific scholarship each year. The scholarship is awarded based on criteria specified by the donor. Listed below are the endowed scholarships that have been created for Mater Dei Catholic High School.

JAMES AND JOANNE LAMPE SCHOLARSHIPS James and Joanne Lampe	GREGORY AND LOUISE HASELHORST ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP Gregory and Louise Haselhorst Family
FRED J. AND GERTRUDE RAKERS SCHOLARSHIP Lawrence Rakers	KATHLEEN AND JAMES MCDERMOTT SCHOLARSHIP James and Kathleen McDermott
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DEACON LIPPERT SCHOLARSHIP Lucille Lippert	CLASS OF 1963 SCHOLARSHIP FUND Members of the MD Class of '63
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*If you would like to receive more information on creating an endowed scholarship, please call Mr. Dennis Litteken at Mater Dei.*



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Gertrude Becker	Cynthia Huegen
Walter Bellm	Eleanor Huegen
Kathy Biggs, '65	Mike Huelsmann, '76
Mildred Boeckmann	Doris Huggins, '65
Valentine "Val" Buchmiller	Bernard Hustedde
Eugene Buehne	Simon Kampwerth, Sr.
Jose Cencena	Bernice Kauling-Rueter
Agnes Coyle, '57	Dr. Marcia Kirsch
James Deiters, '69	Loretta Knebel
Bernard Diekemper	Patricia Kniepmann
Maurice Dierkes	Esther Koch
Brenda Dumstorff	Ron Kolar
Henry Feldmann	Dan Lampe, '58
Dolores Fonke	Ann Litteken
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Marcie Gratiaa	Nancy Loepker, '64
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Sharon Haake	Lucille Mooneyham
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Dan and Shirley Haas - 80th Birthdays	Dennis Ratermann, '67 - 70th Birthday
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