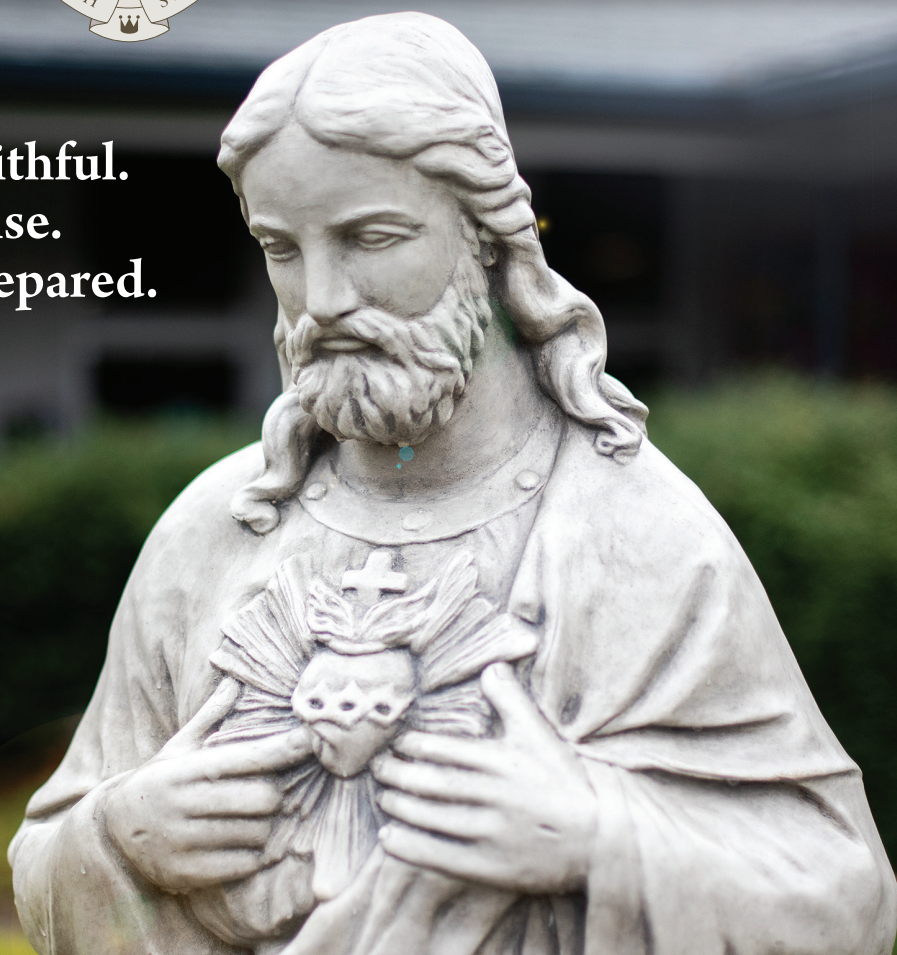




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Christ the King Parish School
2022 - 2023
Annual Report

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LETTER FROM THE PASTOR



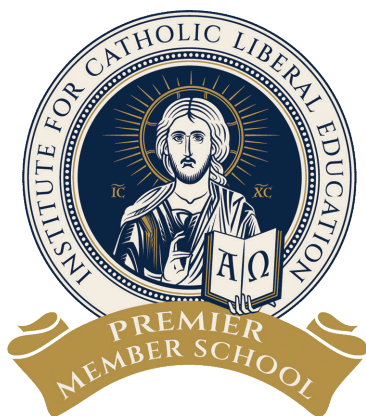
Our parish school is at the very heart of our life and mission of Christ the King Parish as we seek to bring each other into the transformative encounter with Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Our goal is to foster future saints and to build strong families in a Catholic environment that is robust and joyful. I'm especially excited that we are the first school in the State of Oregon to officially affiliate with the Institute of Catholic Liberal Education in bringing the millennia-old wisdom of Catholic Liberal Education into the way we teach and learn. We are working closely with Archbishop Sample to pilot this way of being a Catholic school in the Archdiocese of Portland. I'm proud that our test scores are consistently among the highest in the Archdiocese, but I'm even prouder to see our students grow in virtue and in their relationship with Jesus, and to see our families flourish.

As the pastor (and a former professor of theology), I am deeply committed to the mission and well-being of our school. I enjoy teaching middle

school students an introduction to philosophy and basic logic, forming young minds in the unity and harmony of faith and reason to think critically and deeply. This will help them navigate and have an impact on an increasingly troubled and confused world. I love greeting the younger students at morning drop-off and playing catch with the football during recess. Most of all, I love offering Holy Mass for the students twice a week and leading them in worship to encounter the living God who loves them, which is the most important thing we do.

We depend on your support in this endeavor of education and formation. There is no greater investment than in our children. Thank you for your generous financial support to form children who are grounded in faith, forged in wisdom and prepared to transform the future!

Yours in Christ the King,
Msgr. John Cihak, S.T.D.



LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL



The 2022-2023 school year was one of incredible prayer, learning and growth. During the fall, our entire student body celebrated All Saints day by learning about and dressing up as beloved saints. We hosted our first “Funding Future Saints” Luncheon with entertainment provided by our CTK Schola Cantorum and service provided by the eighth grade class. The luncheon raised over \$65,000 for our school. Our kindergarten class also hosted a Thanksgiving food drive for St. Vincent de Paul.

During the winter, we celebrated Catholic Schools’ Week and hosted many new families at our Open Houses. Our 5th and 8th grades also completed ACRE Assessments (Assessment of Children’s Religious Education), with our 8th graders all scoring in the Advanced or Proficient categories. Both groups outscored the national average by significant percentages in all categories.

In the spring, we held our annual May Crowning/Grandparents Day led by our May Court of Hayley Nguyen, Rebeca Rodriguez, Linh Le and Izzy Garlington. We also held our annual

Jog-A-Thon, raising over \$40,000 for classroom furniture and the beginning of our HVAC project.

The spring also brought the announcement that Christ the King would be the Archbishop’s pilot school for Catholic Liberal Education in the Archdiocese of Portland, and what a blessing that has been! A liberally educated student will know how to think and reason and will have the freedom to grasp the truth of things and to order his or her life to that Truth. By experiencing the Catholic intellectual tradition of Liberal Education, our students will become precise thinkers with nimble minds. They will have a greater mastery of language and mathematics because they will learn them in an ordered and comprehensive way where faith and learning are united.

Christ the King graduated 27 students in the class of 2023, 85% of whom went on to attend Catholic high schools. Our Archbishop Alexander K. Sample Christian Leadership and Service Award Scholarship recipient was Isaac Summerill.

I can not thank you all enough for blessing us with your continued support of our students and school. With the prayers of this loving, generous and dedicated community, we will continue our mission of forming disciples in Christ who are grounded in faith, forged in wisdom and prepared to transform the future.

In Christ the King,
Sarah Taber, Principal

MISSION STATEMENT AND PHILOSOPHY

MISSION STATEMENT: Christ the King Parish School lives the Gospel values of the Roman Catholic Church. We form disciples in Christ who are grounded in faith, forged in wisdom and prepared to transform the future.

PHILOSOPHY: At Christ the King Parish School, we are responsive to the whole child. Students live the Gospel values of the Roman Catholic Church. They are formed as disciples in Christ who are grounded in faith, forged in wisdom and prepared to transform the future. We lead parents to assume their primary role as educators and catechists of their children. Our students and families experience rich Roman Catholic faith formation, a challenging academic curriculum, the Sacraments, the Sacred liturgy and the opportunity to serve the Church and wider community in charity as loving stewards of God's creation.

Students at Christ the King Parish School are faithful. They develop a moral conscience that is conformed to Christ, discern and apply their gifts and talents and love God and all He has created.

Students at Christ the King Parish School are wise. They persist in academics with curiosity and enthusiasm, communicate responsibly and effectively and grow in faith and knowledge.

Students at Christ the King Parish School are prepared. They advocate for self and others, accept responsibility for one's own actions and serve with compassion and empathy.

Christ the King Parish School faculty and staff meet the needs of individual learners. Students are challenged to utilize their God given gifts and talents to achieve their fullest potential. The faculty and staff facilitate the development of faithful Catholic citizens of the future. They exhibit joy in teaching God's children, demonstrate compassion and respect and strive to model the honesty and humility of Jesus Christ.



SCHOOLWIDE LEARNING EXPECTATIONS

Christ the King Parish School Students are:

FAITHFUL:

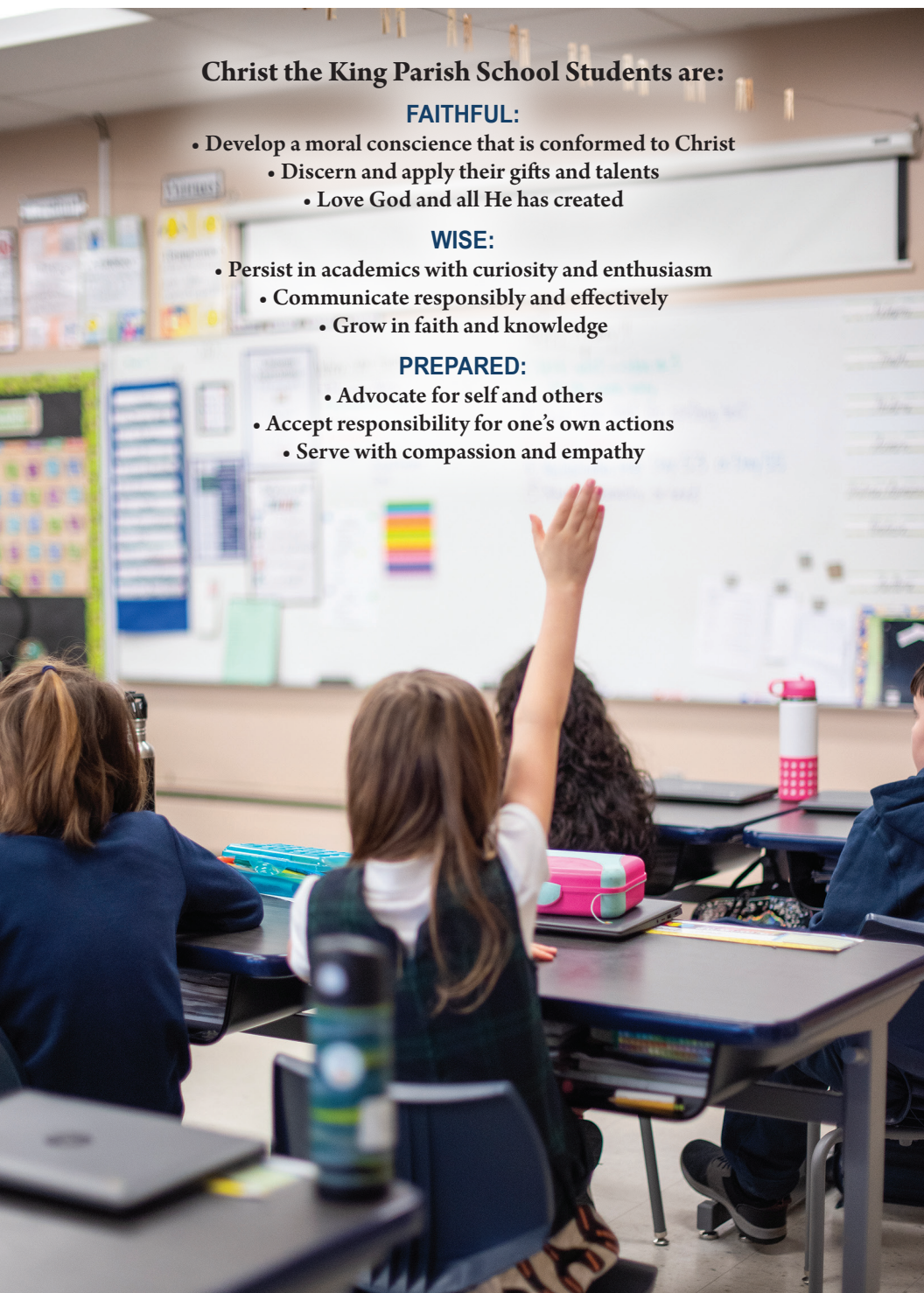
- Develop a moral conscience that is conformed to Christ
- Discern and apply their gifts and talents
- Love God and all He has created

WISE:

- Persist in academics with curiosity and enthusiasm
- Communicate responsibly and effectively
- Grow in faith and knowledge

PREPARED:

- Advocate for self and others
- Accept responsibility for one's own actions
- Serve with compassion and empathy



CATHOLIC LIBERAL EDUCATION

We are thrilled to be partnering with the Institute for Catholic Liberal Education (ICLE) at the direction of Archbishop Sample, in order to bring the Catholic intellectual tradition to life at Christ the King Parish School. So much great work has happened over the last 3-4 years to deepen the Catholic Identity of our school and to bring students and families to a personal encounter with Christ. The next step in that work is to shift our philosophy of education at Christ the King from one of following the typical secular standards to that of Catholic Liberal Education, where God is the center of all knowledge.

Educating the whole child is the purpose of Catholic Education. A liberally educated student will know how to think and reason and will have the freedom to grasp the truth of things and to order his or her life to that Truth. By experiencing the Catholic intellectual tradition of Liberal Education, our students will become precise thinkers with nimble minds. They will have a greater mastery of language and mathematics because they will learn them in an ordered and comprehensive way where faith and learning are united.

We are excited to answer the call of Archbishop Sample and offer a Catholic Liberal Education to our students, so they will know and value what is true and good and beautiful. This three-year philosophy shift at CTK will continue in 2023 - 2024 with a focus on History and Language, with teachers using story and literature in a more prominent and intentional way.

Our governance, as April 2023, comes directly from Archbishop Sample, with the Department of Catholic Schools in a supporting role. Our School Advisory Council has been replaced by a Principal's Advisory Team, following the Amazing Parish model.

Please take the time to view two excellent videos by Bishop Robert Barron, "The Future of Catholic Schools" and "Why the Liberal Arts," in order to deepen your understanding of the why and how of Catholic Liberal Education.

Although we are the first school in the Archdiocese of Portland to make this shift, we will not be the last. We are blessed to have the opportunity to educate your children with God truly at the center of it all.



CATHOLIC LIBERAL EDUCATION

SECULAR EDUCATION

**Ordered toward material,
temporal ends**

- fragmented
- industrialized focus
on practical skills
- emphasis on information
- ignores the moral imagination
- one mile wide, one inch deep
- lectures + testing
= passive learning
- susceptible to indoctrination



CATHOLIC LIBERAL EDUCATION

**Ordered toward
eternal happiness**

- integration of subjects,
knowledge, faith
- restores meaning & purpose
- awakens wonder
- nurtures the moral imagination
- cultivates habits of
rigorous thinking
- constant discussion
= active learning
- develops intellectual freedom

Annual Assessment of Child Religious Education (ACRE) February 2023 (This Assessment is for Grades 5 and 8 Only)

8th Grade	Class Average	National Average
Knowledge of Faith	89%	71%
Celebration of the Mystery	74.7%	59%
Life in Christ	89%	75%
Prayer	67.7%	60%
Communal Life	80.8%	63%

5th Grade	Class Average	National Average
Knowledge of Faith	78.6%	71%
Celebration of the Mystery	68.6%	59%
Life in Christ	78.1%	71%
Prayer	56.9%	51%
Communal Life	68.1%	61%

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW



Parish Subsidy:	\$147,228
Tuition Assistance Awarded:	\$201,263
Final Enrollment (PreK-8):	226
Students Receiving Tuition Assistance:	60%

Foundation Grants Received

Joseph E. Weston Public Foundation / Tuition Assistance	\$28,800
Maybelle Clark Macdonald Foundation / Technology	\$45,000
Joseph E. Weston Public Foundation Matching Grant / CTK Endowment for Education	\$45,000
Joseph E. Weston Public Foundation Matching Grant / Tuition Assistance	\$35,000
B.P. Lester & Regina John Foundation / Tuition Assistance	\$10,000
Catholic Schools Endowment Foundation / Tuition Assistance	\$13,200
Archdiocese of Portland / Tuition Assistance	\$1,800
Eton Lane Foundation / CTK Endowment for Education	\$2,500
Saalfeld-Newman Grant / Tuition Assistance	\$1,000
Safety First Grant / Safety Project Match	\$10,000

CTK Endowment for Education

Year End (06/30/2023) Balance	\$1,914,146
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2023 Funding Future Saints Luncheon

Net Profit.....	\$57,027
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2023 Jog-A-Thon

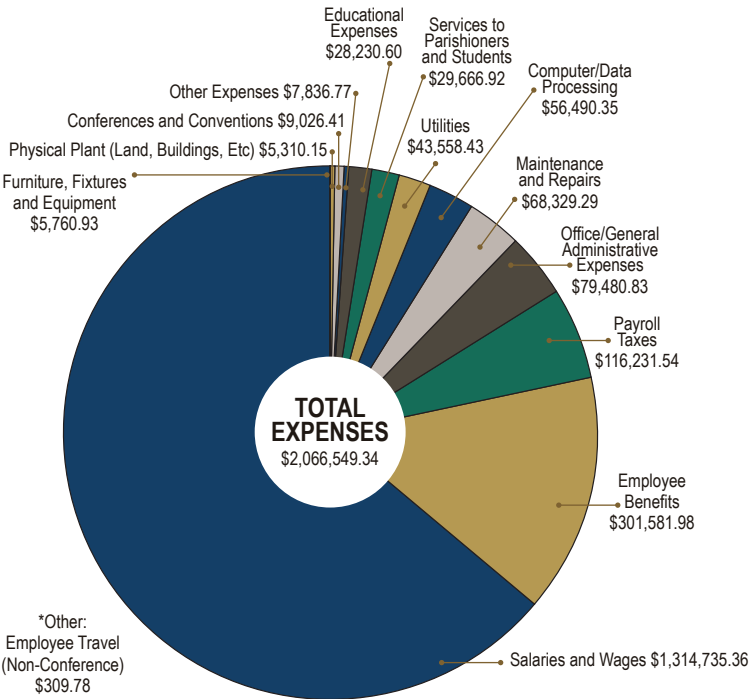
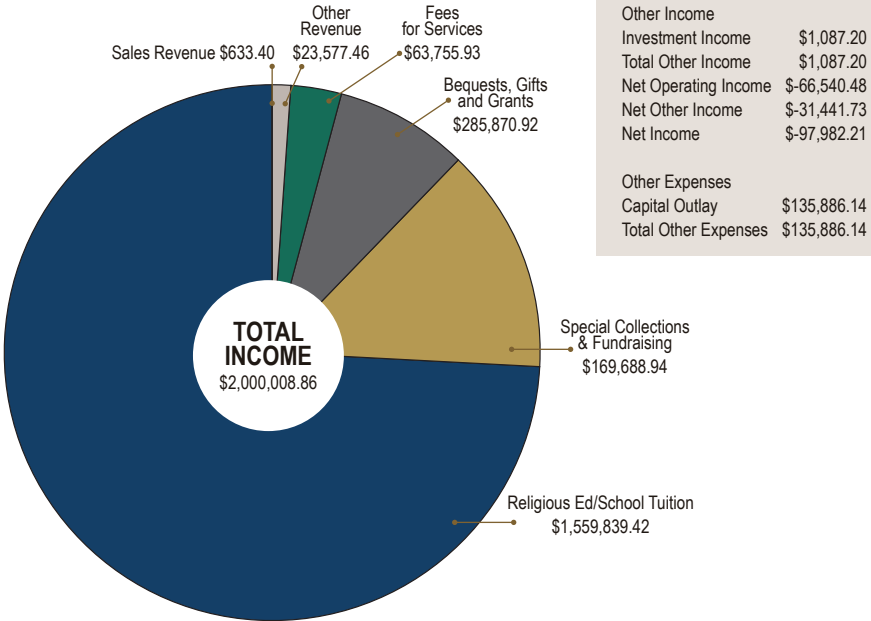
Net Profit.....	\$52,185
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Event Sponsors:

Clackamas Smiles Family Dental	Knights of Columbus Council 9257
Space Age Fuel	Valley Allergy & Asthma Clinic
Beauty Box Salon	Klam Construction, LLC
CTK Grandparents	Gray Wolf IT

The 2023 Jog-a-Thon purchased classroom furniture for First Grade, Kindergarten and Pre-K and completed the Classroom Furniture Refresh Project that began in 2021.

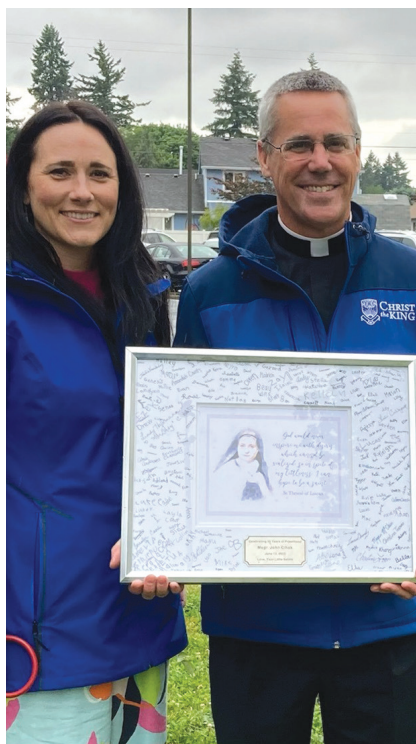
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MONSIGNOR CIHAK CELEBRATES 25 YEARS!

On June 13, 2023, Monsignor John Cihak celebrated 25 years of priesthood. The school honored him with a plaque of St. Therese of Lisieux signed by all of the faculty, staff and students.

"God would never inspire me with desires that cannot be realized, so in spite of my littleness, I can hope to be a saint."



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Join Us!

A Benefit Luncheon
for Christ the King
Parish School

FUNDING FUTURE SAINTS

Thursday
November 16, 2023
12:00 - 1:30 PM

CTK Parish Center
(Join our school for Mass at 11:00 AM)

Please RSVP by Oct. 20
503-785-2411 or
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