

# St. John the Evangelist School Annual Appeal Letter

Dear St. John the Evangelist School Community,

The academic year has begun and we are off to a wonderful start at St John the Evangelist School. I am very honored to have been asked by Archbishop Blair to be the pastor of St John the Evangelist Church and school and I am looking forward to working with and getting to know the students, faculty, and staff at our school in this first year as pastor.

Every year we are responsible for providing a sound budget for our school so that the excellence in Catholic Education can continue. Each year we work to keep our tuition within the limits of our family's budget. Our tuition alone does not cover the entire budget and so we must rely on fundraising projects and donations from generous supporters to our School.

Your support is an essential component of our annual budget and with your help, we are able to provide the best in Catholic Education. St John the Evangelist School is known for its high academic standards and we are committed to maintaining our Catholic identity where students learn in an environment with faith as its foundation.

We are so fortunate to have a very experienced and talented faculty who challenge our students to be their best. We are committed to providing the latest in educational technology so that our students are prepared for our fast-changing world. And we will continue to teach our students how to live their Catholic faith.

The funds we receive from our annual appeal will greatly help our general operating costs. In addition, we have a couple of major projects we hope to address in the near future. First, we need to re-shingle our roof on the main part of the school and, second, we have an opportunity to save on fuel costs in the future by converting our oil furnace to natural gas. In addition to these projects, we are looking to begin building an endowment fund to assure financial stability into the future. With a successful annual appeal, we can continue to upgrade our facility while continuing to provide the best in education now and in the future.

I pray that you will consider donating to our annual fund this year and be part of a very special School. I look forward to getting to know you and all who support our school in so many ways. I am profoundly grateful for your support in the past and I ask that you continue this support this year with a generous donation to our School.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev Anthony J Smith  
Pastor  
St John the Evangelist Parish