



From the Heart *Sacred Heart School*



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Sacred Heart School strives to nurture the spiritual, emotional, and academic growth of our students, and to help them become productive Christian citizens.

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Dear Friends of Sacred Heart,

Congratulations on this great occasion of the 75th anniversary of the beginning of the High School. What a landmark your achievement has created! When, because of dwindling numbers, the sisters left in 1973, we prayed and felt assured that you would continue the tradition of Catholic education in Sedalia. Although only five of the sisters who taught in Sedalia are living at present, the many in heaven (180 +) are also rejoicing with you today.

Each of us can recall special events that happened during our stay in Sedalia while teaching at Sacred Heart. Ask anyone about her experience in Sedalia and the quick response is "Oh, I loved it!"

As you celebrate, we are remembering you in our daily prayers. May God's blessing be with you and the Precious Blood of Jesus empower you as you celebrate your success!

Sincerely with our best wishes,

The Sisters of the Precious Blood,

Sister Virgine, 1956 – 1958

Sister Jeanette (Paul Agnes), 1963 – 1965

Sister Joyce Lehman, 1972 – 1973

Sister Anna Maria, 1960 – 1962

Sister Laura Will (Clarus), 1962 – 1973

180+ Sisters C.P.P.S, 1882 – 1973 now in heaven



Happy 75th, Sacred Heart High School!

In 1942, shortly after completing her freshman year at Sacred Heart School, Shirley (Wiemholt) Schieberl wrote:

"We were all very happy to think that we had completed at least one year of high school. Now, as I look back on it, I feel certain that all of us are saying to ourselves, 'Gee, those days went by in such a hurry, I'm sure the other three will too.'"

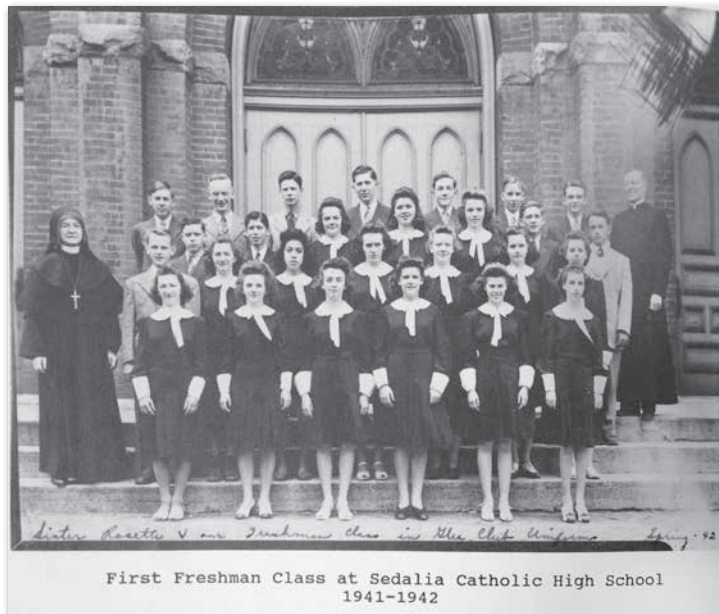
Shirley was among the alumni, faculty and friends who attended Sacred Heart's all-school reunion on Sept. 10, in celebration of the high school's 75th anniversary. It was a treat listening to school memories from days gone by. For those like Shirley, the days of school may have gone in a hurry, but the Gremlin spirit never left.

"It was so grand!" said Shirley, reflecting on her time at SHS during the all-school reunion. "I take it as one of my best blessings that I got to go to a Catholic high school." Getting a good education was important to her and her family, "but being Catholic was and still is the most important thing in my life," she said.

Despite the changes throughout the years, the faith and family values our school was built upon define Sacred Heart School today.

Much has changed in 75 years, and we hope you'll enjoy these developments in particular:

- ~ **Our newly formatted annual publication.** It's part of our ongoing effort to stay in touch.
- ~ **SHS Hall of Fame.** Inductees will be named at the end of the year, with a special ceremony in early 2017.
- ~ **Your contact information!** This summer, volunteers accepted the daunting task of combing through alumni records. We made many updates, but there are still gaps in our records. Please take a moment to return the enclosed envelope with your updated information, or simply visit www.gogremlins.com/alumni. If you have information on alumni who are friends and family, please share!



You'll find more exciting changes and developments within these pages, but one thing that remains the same is Sacred Heart School's purpose and mission: to nurture the spiritual, emotional, and academic growth of our students and to help them become productive Christian citizens.

Thank you to everyone who attended our reunion, to those who have championed our mission for the past 75 years, and to those whose prayers and support will carry us into a vibrant future!

We are Sacred Heart!

Fr. Mark Miller, Pastor

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Beverly Rollings, Foundation President

David Dick, Alumni Association President





Leaving A Legacy: Gifts anyone can make

Did you know there are creative ways to support Sacred Heart School? Ways in which you, Sacred Heart and your loved ones all benefit at the same time? Ways that don't impact your current lifestyle or your family's security?

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Burl and Betty Sammons ~ Funding Passion in Perpetuity

In 2015, Burl and Betty Sammons' commitment to planned giving came to fruition. The Sacred Heart School Foundation was notified that Burl and Betty had included us as heirs of a portion of their estate. Their thoughtful gift immediately started to work for the benefit of the school as a portion was used to fund important projects. We are deeply grateful.

Attention all Thrivent Financial Members: SHS is now an eligible charity of Thrivent Choice Dollars.





Honors & Memorials

We are grateful for the gifts given to Sacred Heart School and the Sacred Heart School Foundation in 2015 and 2016 in memory of loved ones gone before us, and in honor of special individuals.

Editors Note: Gifts directed to the 2015 Annual Fund Drive in memory or in honor of a loved one are listed on pg. 9.

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Sacred Heart School Named Scholarships

With grateful hearts, we recognize those who have chosen to sponsor a Sacred Heart School student through a named scholarship. By doing so, these donors have chosen to reach out to meet the needs of a deserving student and/or faculty member in a very special and specific way. Contributors to a named scholarship have the opportunity to meet the individuals they sponsor, and watch them grow throughout their time at Sacred Heart School. If you would like to learn more about contributing to an existing scholarship, or creating a scholarship for you or a loved one, please contact Liz Van Leer at shfoundation@gogremlins.com.

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Wish Lists Become Reality

The generous responses from the following individuals enabled Sacred Heart School to address several important needs on our SHS Wish List. Thank you!

10 Short-Throw Projectors gifted by SHS Active Parents Club

Color Laser Jet Printer gifted by Elizabeth (Arnold) Spencer ('89)

Daycare Dramatic Play Station gifted by Holly & Cody Wilson

Daycare Tables gifted by Marilyn (Fischer '68) & Jack Arnold
Technology upgrades and books for Reading Lab by Linda Faulhaber

To see a list of additional Wish List items, turn to page 11.



Honoring a Lifetime of Service:

Editors note: The following tribute was written by Hope Lecchi, education reporter for the Sedalia Democrat, and has been edited and reprinted with permission.

After spending the last four decades of her life as a teacher at Sacred Heart helping thousands of young minds understand the concepts of junior high math, Ms. Sharon Dey has retired.

"I was born in Sedalia and I always wanted to teach school at Sacred Heart," Dey said. "I taught for five years in public schools before I came here in 1976 when Father Vince Hoying asked me to come here and work."

Growing up in a military family, Dey attended 25 different schools, but she said Sacred Heart was always her favorite. "As a kid I don't think I could have told you that, but this is such a remarkable, friendly, comfortable place," she said. "It is a home to me."

"When my father was sent to Germany in 1945 we went with him," Dey said. "I remember moving eight times when I was in the second grade alone. I was always antsy if we stayed in one place more than a year.



Sharon Dey is pictured with one of the 1996 Sacred Heart Math Relay

"When he retired he went on to teach at Marquette University, and that's where I went to college," Dey added. "He put all nine of my brothers and sisters through college there."

Dey, ironically didn't receive her degree in mathematics, but instead began her career as a social studies teacher at Whittier School in Sedalia.

"I idolized my grandmother who lived in Sedalia and I wanted to see her again, so I moved back here and lived with my grandmother and started teaching.

"My father always told me that 'girls don't need math,' but it was always my favorite subject to play with and so I decided I would teach myself Algebra

II," Dey added. "I love to read and study math books and still try to get my students to do the same."

Dey took classes at both State Fair Community College and Central Missouri State University to get her degree in math.

Before becoming Dey's colleague at SHS, Jane McMullin ('87) had her as a teacher and basketball coach.



Dey in 1977 practicing her basketball shot.

"Sharon had a reputation for being tough and always expecting the best of us," McMullin said. "Like most of her students I was intimidated by her, but if you worked hard there was nothing she would not help you do to achieve."

Dey not only taught math at Sacred Heart but also coached a number of sports including volleyball, softball, and basketball. She was even the golf coach on Thursdays for one year.

"I've retired from coaching five times here," Dey said with a smile.

Dr. Gary Manning, administrator of Sacred Heart, agrees that Dey goes above and beyond to help her students both in and out of the classroom.



1977 faculty picture

"Ms. Dey has been very instrumental in building up a strong math program at Sacred Heart," Manning said. "I will miss discussing her love of quilting and Marquette Basketball."

Although Dey did not graduate high school at Sacred Heart, in the late 1980s she received an

Sharon Dey retires from SHS

honorary diploma from the school, and to this day, considers herself an alumna of Sacred Heart.

"I want all of my students to feel as safe and secure here just as I did when I was a student," Dey said. "It doesn't matter how smart or popular a student may seem to be, they all want the same thing, and that is to be treated with dignity and respect."

The impact of helping her students give back has been one of the most important parts of Dey's career according to Mark Register ('75), a former administrator.



Sharon holds a bear she quilted while speaking to students about her involvement with the RARE Bear Army, a grassroots organization that quilts one-of-a-kind teddy bears for children with rare diseases. In September 2016, students raised \$476.25 for the organization in Sharon's honor.

"Sharon Dey has been a talented math and computer teacher to generations of SHS students," Register said. "I am in the firm conviction that my son, Wesley ('11), was able to earn his degree as a mechanical engineer in large part to the mathematical background he received from Ms. Dey."

While she plans to occasionally substitute teach at SHS, Dey is looking forward to devoting more time to her love of quilting.

"I think I have so much fabric in my house and so many ideas that I can't use it all up," Dey said laughing. "I do know that one day a week I am going to work on my charity quilts."

When asked for advice for the new generation of teachers, Dey said to be passionate about whatever one chooses to do.

"If you don't, you won't last in whatever you do because you won't enjoy it," she said. "For myself, it has been a joy and I don't know where the 40 years went."

McMullin, seemed to express the sentiment of many at the school about Dey and her commitment to Sacred Heart.

"I'm very blessed to know Sharon both as a student and a colleague," she said. "She has given a lifetime of service to Sacred Heart and is leaving behind an incredible legacy. Ms. Dey truly is an institution at SHS."



Sharon Dey, 2015-2016 faculty picture

Scholarship Established Honoring Dey's Legacy

The family of Ms. Sharon Dey has established a scholarship in her name to honor her 40-year teaching career at SHS. Dee Dee Dey, Sharon's younger sister, shared the surprise announcement during the all-school reunion on Sept. 10. Contributions toward The Sharon Dey Scholarship will provide funding for SHS tuition scholarships and teacher professional development. To make a contribution to The Sharon Dey Scholarship, please use the enclosed envelope. The family will be notified of your gift without disclosing the amount.



2015 Annual Fund Drive Results: \$124,101.72

2016 Goal: \$175,000 by Dec. 31

When family needs each other, we are there. *Thank You!*



Sacred Heart School is precious because it is family, and you are a part of that significant bond. When family needs each other, we are there. When expressing our gratitude, Mr. Richard Bahner, 42-year faculty member, mentor, and 1970 alum, said it best: *“It is a boost to our hearts knowing that you understood the situation of our school and responded in a way that helped us to succeed.”*

We are deeply grateful to the many parishioners, parents, alumni, staff, and business and community leaders who supported our 2015 Annual Fund Drive.

The Foundation Annual Fund Drive is critical to the school’s financial health because tuition dollars do not fully support the cost of educating a Sacred Heart School student. With your help, we will ensure a bright and sustainable future for the school we deeply treasure.

Our 2016 Annual Fund Drive runs through the end of the year, so there’s still time to contribute. Please return your gift in the envelope provided. Donors to the 2016 Annual Fund Drive will be recognized in a future publication of *From the Heart*. How blessed we are to have your ongoing support!

“It is a boost to our hearts knowing that you understood the situation of our school and responded in a way that helped us to succeed.”

—Richard Bahner (‘70),
teacher of mathematics



Dr. Gary Manning with first grader, Ryan Wilson.

A note to our donors:
Publishing a list of donors on the following page is a small way in which we can recognize and publically thank those who have made a gift to our 2015 Annual Fund Drive from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015. We make every effort to acknowledge all gifts that have been directed to the Sacred Heart School Foundation Annual Fund Drive. If there is an omission of your name or an error in naming recognition, please contact Liz Van Leer at shfoundation@gogremlins.com or (660) 827-3800. Thank you for your support and understanding.



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Alumni News



Charli (Huhman) Ackerman ('74) was named Sacred Heart's 2015 Alumni of the Year. The award was presented by David Dick on Jan. 29, 2016, during Catholic School's Week.

"Charli is a big a part of SHS as you can get," said Dick. "Her entire family graduated from Sacred Heart but even after her graduation, she continued to give back to the school and the church."

In her current role as Pettis County Public Administrator, Dick says "What Charli does is she helps those in need maintain and keep their identity and dignity. Those are the lessons we learn at Sacred Heart. She is an excellent example of living a life of caring and giving both to her family and community."

Welcome Home, Gremlins!

The class of ('05) hosted a reunion for the classes of 2003 – 2005 on Oct. 7, 2015. Festivities included a school tour, games and cookout. J.G Kelley ('07) donated his winnings from the 50/50 sweepstakes so that all of the proceeds from the game benefitted the SHS Foundation. Thank you!

We also were happy to open our doors to the classes of 1965, 1995 on 1966. Planning a reunion? Let us know how we can help. Please call Liz Van Leer at shfoundation@gogremlins.com.



The class of 2005 celebrated its reunion with many fellow classmates ranging from 2003 to 2007.



Class of 1995



Class of 1966



Class of 1965



A Gremlin Reunion In Indiana

In July, after several students, parents, and alumni made phone calls to help update our alumni database, we "found" a member of our very first graduating class of 1945: Betty Sedlak Ash, living in West Lafayette, Indiana (thanks to sister Rosie (Sedlak) Hodges ('53))!

Shortly thereafter, on a college visit to Purdue University (in West Lafayette), Emma ('17), Sadie ('18) and their mother, Bev Rollings, popped in for a visit and trip down memory lane with Betty!

At age 88, Betty shared the first and last lines of her winning American Legion extemporaneous oratory from memory; spoke fondly of Father Andrew Brunswick, Father Gilbert Stack ("a

happy, happy priest") and Sister Mary Clement (who taught them all but religion!); recalled how the Glee Club regularly traveled to then Sedalia Army Air Field in the back of a canvas covered army truck to perform songs for the military; and provided us copies of the class prophecies and the school newspaper *School Echoes*.

Pearl Harbor was bombed on December 7 of their freshman year. Daily life changed as the U.S. entered the war, with the draft, food rationing, scrap metal drives, and other

war efforts. One of their classmates, Jewel Myers, turned 18 the summer before their senior year, and was drafted immediately, unable to graduate with his classmates. They started each school day with Mass.

On May 8, 1945, the Allies accepted Germany's surrender. Just two days later, after four years of hard work and dedication, the then "Sedalia Catholic High School" senior class tested to the satisfaction of the Missouri school accrediting authority (TWO WEEKS prior to graduation ceremonies).

As we celebrate our 75th anniversary, we stand on the shoulders of the eighteen members of the Class of 1945, Father Brunswick, Father Stack, Sister Mary Rosetta, Sister Mary Clement, and many others. Since then, over 1,800 students have graduated from Sacred Heart High School, steeped in faith, prepared to serve.

To our "Pioneer Class," we salute you and we borrow the words from the May 1945 edition of *School Echoes*: "This class has established the foundation on which the school shall grow in the future. They leave to the classes who follow, the responsibility of raising the standard of the school as high as possible. And to this class of graduates the school says 'Thank you!'"



1945 issue of school newspaper, *School Echoes*



Last day of school, 1944.



Sadie Rollings ('18), Betty (Sedlak) Ash ('45), and Emma Rollings ('17) enjoy a visit at Betty's home in West Lafayette, IN.



Celebrating 75 Years

On September 10, more than 200 alumni and friends came “home” in celebration of our high school’s 75th anniversary and all-school reunion. Alumni came from as far away as California and from as far back as the first freshman class of 1941 Engineers, farmers, doctors, entrepreneurs, educators, social workers, homemakers, inventors, politicians, and more—all Gremlins through and through who got off to a good start because of the dreams of a few who believed in starting a Catholic school right here.



Nolan Walker ('19) with Steve Griesaber



Mandy & Nathan ('00) Morris with John Kelley (husband of Lisa (Register) Kelley ('80))



Jene & Bill ('46) Labus, with Jim ('46) & Barbara (Lamy'54) Cooney



Jim Fall ('53)



The wall of class composites is always a popular stop along the tour.



Loretta (Grinstead) Kendrick ('55); Harriet (Schmitt) Morris ('55); Mary Margaret (Rouchka) Fernandez ('55); Reinaldo "Sonny" Buso ('55); and Helen (Rugen) Seifert ('55)

How Lucky We Are to Have Each Other

While many stories were shared at the alumni reunion, possibly the most surprising of all came from the least likely of graduates, as Charles Tippie ('88) does not "do" public speaking (with his apologies to Mrs. Bahner), yet captivated the crowd reminding us "how lucky we are to have each other." To see the video, go online and search for **Sacred Heart School Sedalia 2016 All School Reunion Speech**.

Welcome, Little Gremlins!

Ted Kehl ('00) and his wife, Liz, welcomed Henry Louis on March 23, 2016.

Sue (Keller) Wise ('58) is a proud great grandmother to two new granddaughters: Quinn and Charlotte. Another is expected in February.

Marriages

David Fall ('05) & Courtney Curtis ('09) ~ Nov. 5, 2016

John (J.G) Kelley II ('07) & Hannah Funk ~ Oct. 15, 2016

Scott Linsenbardt ('78) & Marcia Wiltz ~ June 11, 2016

Jorge Guevara ('03) & Megan Coulter ~ June 11, 2016

Gremlin Greetings

Bill ('52) & Rosie (Sedlak '53) Hodges served as our honored Grand Marshals for the SHS 2016 Homecoming Parade.

Olivia Sobaski ('16) a freshman at University of Central Missouri, earned the Jennies golf team its first individual title and was named Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association (MIAA) player of the week two weeks in a row.

"Just finished my Master's in Social Work at Missouri State University in May 2016." ~ **Farren (Kizzire) Bankovich ('10)**

"I am always interested in hearing about what is going on at Sacred Heart. It was an important part of my life!"
~ **Kathy (Mehl) Kippenberger ('60)**

"I went to SH from 1st grade to the middle of my sophomore year, though I graduated elsewhere, I still consider SH my school!" ~ **Julie (Proctor) Whaley ('75)**

"I am proud that another Mergen graduated from Sacred Heart this past year! My son, Christopher, now attends Missouri State University." ~ **Rick Mergen ('73)**

"In May 2016, I earned my Doctorate in Education from the University of Southern California. On July 2, 2016, I got married to Dr. Kristin Liana Geiling at Na Aina Kai Botanical Gardens in Kilauea, Kauai, Hawaii." ~ **John Walje IV ('02)**



Sarah (Bishop '97) & Charles ('88) Tippie



Meredith Beykirch ('04) married Alex Jarvis on Sept. 6, 2015. They live in Melbourne, Australia. This photo was taken from the Three Capes track in Tasmania.



School News



Gloria Close, pictured with her fourth grade class from 2015-2016, was awarded SHS's 2015 Teacher of the Year.



Last spring, our seniors traveled to blighted areas of Chicago to be witnesses to our faith through service to those living in extreme poverty.



Uniforms were introduced into the high school. The change, while not without growing pains, has intensified our focus on our mission in academic success and faith development.



For the first time in school history, Gremlin football won districts and placed fourth in the Class 1 8-Man Football State Championship.



For the third consecutive year, Sacred Heart earned third place in the Class 1 Boys State Soccer Championship. Five players earned All-State honors.



SHS placed third in the 2016 State Envirothon Competition among schools of all sizes.



Richard Bahner presents Emma Rollings ('17) with her certificate of commendation from the PSAT National Merit Scholarship Program. Rollings scored in the top 5 percent of the 1.6 million students who took the test in 2015.

Other notable highlights:

- 2016 Volleyball district champs
- 2016 State appearance in girls golf
- More than 2,600 community service hours performed by 7-12 grade students
- Over \$14,000 in funds and supplies donated to charity by students
- Exceeded requirements for accreditation status
- ACT scores have surpassed the Missouri state average for six consecutive years
- Eight-time Kaysinger Conference champions in math
- Speech and Debate team earned berth to State among schools of all sizes
- SHS 11th graders and 8th graders took first place out of their respective class bracket in the 2015 ACRE (Assessment of Catechesis Religious Education) test taken by all Catholic school students in Jefferson City in grades 5, 8 and 11 or 12

Wish List

Our teachers and administrators are extremely resourceful when it comes to providing an enriching and well-rounded education to our children. However, there are areas where your generosity can be an immediate and long-lasting game changer for our faculty and students. We have some very important needs that fall outside of our current operating budget. As part of your year-end giving, a contribution of any amount toward any one of these items is greatly appreciated.

Please use the enclosed envelope to make your year-end contribution to Sacred Heart School. Your gift is 100% tax deductible. Thank you for your consideration of this request! For more information, please contact Liz Van Leer at shfoundation@gogremlins.com.

Sacred Heart School Foundation = No limit!

Your gift supports the long-term and immediate operational needs of Sacred Heart School.

Sharon Dey Scholarship = No limit!

Contributions support a) tuition assistance to students attending SHS and; b) teacher professional development.

24 Desktop Computers = \$800 each

Playground Surface & Equipment = \$20,000

Improve surface for less maintenance and safer play. Install equipment that is safety-approved for all ages, ranging from two years and up.

Fine Arts Performing Risers = \$6,540

These wide and sturdy risers are safe for dancing, and pave the way for a new era of Show Choir at SHS.

Bass Drum Stand = \$750

Tenor Saxophone = \$1,605

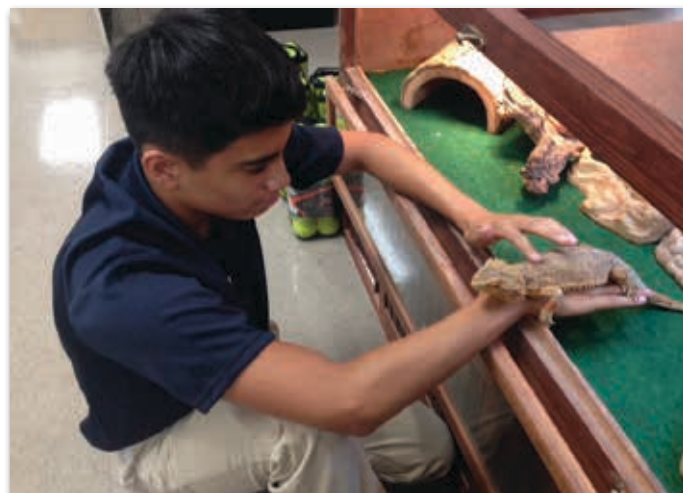
Baritone Saxophone = \$4,983.60

Maico MA 25e Audiometer = \$1,028

(Hearing test)

Science Supplies = \$900

Supports chemicals for science projects, and a year's supply of animal food.



Jacob Mertes gives some TLC to Ms. Einstein, the bearded dragon, during his rounds of taking care of the reptiles, rodents, mammals, fish, amphibians, and birds that call Mrs. Hagebusch's classroom home. Ms. Einstein and eight other pets were adopted from current and former SHS families. Your donation will help cover medical care and food that is not covered by the science budget.



Our students are charming audiences with choreographed songs, but movement is limited because they are dancing on narrow risers intended only for standing. Your investment in performance risers will allow our (K-12) students the means to safely sing and dance their way to greater octaves in music appreciation.

We love finding ways to be resourceful! If you've upgraded your home or office, please let us know if we can make an encore appearance out of any gently used items, such as office furniture, computers, printers and copy machines.



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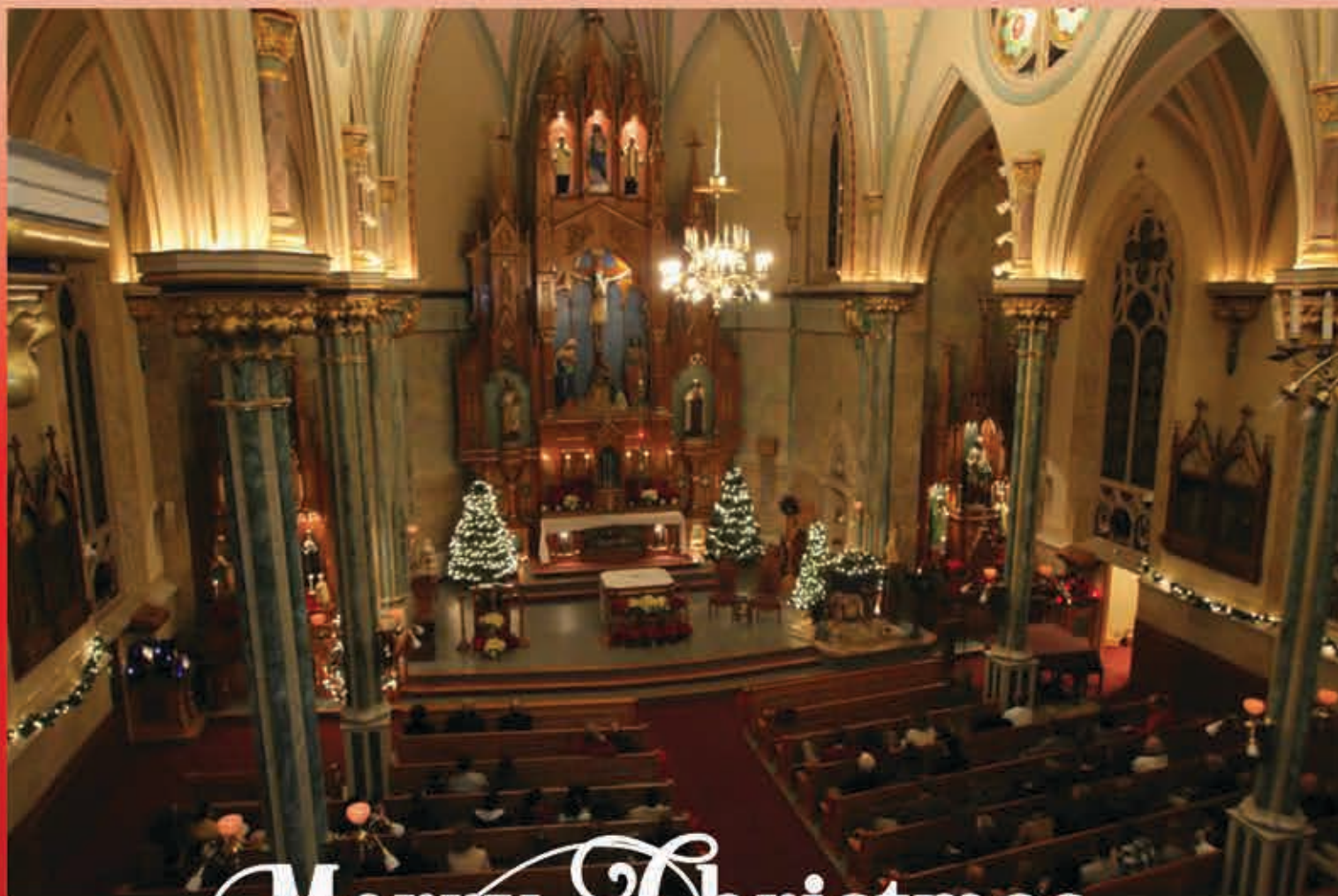
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