

*Restoring  
the Pieces  
of our Faith*



St. Sebastian Parish Foundation



2014 ANNUAL  
REPORT



## Greetings

My fellow priest friends remind me quite frequently how lucky I am to be the pastor of St. Sebastian Parish. Rare is the city parish that is as healthy as we are blessed to be. One of the important aspects of this health is our financial well-being and a significant part of that is our Foundation and the many people who donate, large and small, to it.

A friend of mine recently became pastor of a large parish that did not save for a rainy day. So when a large project unexpectedly comes a long (Oh no! The boiler broke down!) or if they have an opportunity to take care of a needed project (such as the grant we received for our new school doors that needed a little extra funding) he either has to take out a loan from a bank or simply say no. Because of the Foundation, we have much more flexibility and ability to tackle needs when they arise, which, in the long run, is also more economical.

That is where you come in. We enjoy a great parish plant and other benefits because of those in the past who were imaginative enough to dream of a healthy, vibrant St. Sebastian Parish of the future. My hope is that we continue that dream for our future selves and those who will come after us. Your donation of any kind, particularly those that are donated for the greatest needs of the parish, continues this great legacy.

It is a sacrifice and I know it. That is why we often pray for the benefactors of the parish at Mass. We take care of ourselves. There is no magical place from which resources come. It is concerned parishioners who keep this community alive and healthy. Though it is your donation in the Sunday basket that keeps the lights on and the heat or air conditioning working, it is the interest on your contribution to the Foundation that makes such projects as the organ, Zwisler Hall, or the (hopefully) church restoration possible.

As you read through this report, note the many wonderful things we have been able to accomplish together. Then please consider making a contribution to the Foundation and allow the great work to continue.

Thank you and God bless,

Rev. John A. Valencheck



# Love

It's been hard to stop saying "I *love* chocolate" and say instead "I like chocolate". The last several months I have put extra time in contemplating the difference between what I really like (chocolate) and what I truly *love*. And I can unequivocally say I *love* St. Sebastian Parish... The spirit that exists here, our faith leaders, the kindness of our parishioners, the people themselves and our sense of community, the generosity of our volunteers and donors, our unparalleled faculty and staff, and most of all the children.

I am so fortunate to work here and serve you. I have the best job! I get to feed my soul by making people happy, helping them shape a legacy, bridging their passion with a project to preserve our parish, and so much more. I feel so blessed to be a part of today's caretaking-team of the people and the beautiful campus that I absolutely adore. I am doubly blessed to be doing so under the direction of an incredible Foundation Board of Trustees infused with Fr. Valencheck's wisdom and vision.

We, today's parishioners, are all the caretakers of St. Sebastian Parish. Faithfully, and with *love* in our hearts, we care for the people in our community, educate our children and celebrate God's *love* all in the beautiful Catholic tradition. We nurture our hearts and souls while we focus on our current needs and challenges. Our future may not be certain, but our voices and souls are very powerful here at St. Sebastian. What we do here today at this parish will continue to echo beyond our lifetimes and help secure a legacy of Catholic tradition for generations to come.

Some might say that we live in a bubble here in Akron, they may even say we wear rose colored glasses, that our faith in our parish, our people, the goodness of others, is naive. That's okay because this "bubble" we are raising our children in is remarkable. Our hope for the future of St. Sebastian Parish and the Catholic traditions we have been celebrating for 86 years has not diluted, it has grown with each passing year. I *love* the golden goodness I see in the people of this parish and the beautiful buildings we use and

maintain so faithfully. I pray we can continue to help preserve and restore our church and campus buildings. ... from the original mosaic at the altar, terrazzo floor and pews to the church roof. You are the source of our ability to address these needs.

I hope each of you will help the St. Sebastian Parish Foundation continue to care for our people and campus and help us prepare for a future of *love* and faith. Please give a gift today and say a prayer that we can continue to restore the pieces of our faith to be used in the Catholic tradition for generations to come.

Sincerely yours,



Director of Development





# Financial Statement

St. Sebastian Parish Foundation Statement of Financial Position at December 31, 2013 and 2014.  
 The total contributions to the church and school from the Foundation thru 2014 totals \$8,252,738.

<b>Assets</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Cash & Short Term Investments	\$ 168,985	\$ 105,871
Long-term Investments at Market:		
Fixed Income	\$ 1,667,084	\$ 1,590,947
Equities	\$ 2,477,011	\$ 2,677,172
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 4,313,080</b>	<b>\$ 4,373,990</b>

  

<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Grants Approved for Future Payment	\$ 0	\$ 9,095
Fund Balances	\$ 4,313,080	\$ 4,364,895
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$ 4,313,080</b>	<b>\$ 4,373,990</b>

The Foundation value over the last four years.

Total Market Value



St. Sebastian Parish Foundation Statement of Income and Expenses for the 12 Months Ending December 31, 2014.

<b>Income</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Gifts & Fundraisers	\$ 1,008,651	\$ 263,356
Net Gains from Investments	\$ 420,862	\$ 138,825
<b>Total Gifts and Gains</b>	<b>\$ 1,429,512</b>	<b>\$ 402,181</b>

  

<b>Distribution and Expenses</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Distributions to Church and School	\$ 323,842	\$ 239,462
Expenses	\$ 157,149	\$ 190,073
<b>Total Distributions and Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 480,991</b>	<b>\$ 429,535</b>

Unrestricted Value



Restricted Value







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<b>2004</b>	School Financial Aid	\$27,664	<b>2008</b>	School Financial Aid	\$35,000	<b>2012</b>	Art Classroom Supplies	\$3,200	<b>2014</b>	Roof repairs	\$56,692
	Assistance to Church/School	\$35,000		Classroom Renovations	\$9,642		Hummel Bereavement Endowment	\$983		School Financial Aid and Scholarships	\$83,992
	Church Parking Lot	\$2,500		Deficit Reduction	\$21,000		Victor E. Buehrle, Jr. Science Projects	\$4,310		Piano	\$18,441
	School Fence	\$143,634		Church Exterior Repairs	\$61,163		Tormey Fund Rectory Renovations	\$47,925		Door replacement	\$16,500
	School Boiler Treatment	\$20,186		Zwisler Hall Plaza	\$86,187		Helen Barry Hamlin Library Renovations	\$2,356		Music Endowment	\$9,853
	Byrider Hall Roof Repair	\$26,800		Restricted Accts. Distributions	\$123,434		Seminarian Scholarships	\$1,397		Victor E. Buehrle, Jr. Science Projects	\$6,946
	Stonework Repair School/Zwisler Hall	\$88,192		<b>2009</b>			Zwisler Hall Plaza	\$272		Clergy Enrichment and Seminarian Scholarships	\$4,039
	Zwisler Hall Renovation	\$368,075		School Financial Aid	\$35,999		GOAL Scholarship	\$1,500		Zwisler Hall Plaza	\$3,122
	Restricted Accts. Distributions	\$81,394		Classroom Renovation	\$9,848		Dayspring Opportunity Scholarship	\$1,000		Organ System Project	\$1,282
<b>2005</b>				Bell Tower Repair	\$4,000		Organ System Project	\$125,850		GOAL Scholarship	\$1,500
	School Financial Aid	\$30,000		Deficit Reduction	\$60,117		Gerstenmaier Family Scholarship	\$1,500		Social Ministry	\$1,277
	Zwisler Hall Renovation	\$4,284		Restricted Accts. Distributions	\$156,063		School Financial Aid	\$35,000		Gerstenmaier Family Scholarship	\$1,200
	School/Rectory Masonry Repair	\$45,525		<b>2010</b>						Hummel Bereavement Endowment	\$1,075
	Junior High Wall Heaters	\$6,598		Byrider Boiler Replacement	\$44,766					Helen Barry Hamlin Library Renovations	\$1,150
	Rectory Repairs	\$58,452		Byrider Window Replacement	\$10,000		<b>2013</b>			Dayspring Opportunity Scholarship	\$1,000
	Kindergarten Renovations	\$10,856		Church Bells	\$13,300		Art Classroom Supplies	\$2,305		Art Classroom Supplies	\$977
	Church Boiler Pump	\$13,370		Classroom Renovations	\$11,666		Hummel Bereavement Endowment	\$1,063		Vocational Health & Wellness Support	\$474
	Church Organ Repair	\$8,425		Science Lab Renovation	\$17,625		Victor E. Buehrle, Jr. Science Projects	\$2,326		Tormey Rectory Restoration Fund	\$127
	Restricted Accts. Distributions	\$129,456		Deficit Reduction	\$60,000		Tormey Fund Rectory Renovations	\$6,089			
<b>2006</b>				Endowment Contributions	\$33,473		Helen Barry Hamlin Library Renovations	\$3,270			
	School Financial Aid	\$35,000		Miscellaneous items from Directed Funds	\$63,158		Seminarian Scholarships	\$1,200			
	Classroom Renovation	\$15,432		Jesus Shrine	\$22,621		Zwisler Hall Plaza	\$7,329			
	Seinna Institute	\$3,784		Rectory Upgrades	\$7,561		GOAL Scholarship	\$1,500			
	Church Repair	\$6,000		School Boiler Repair	\$10,700		Music Endowment	\$1,700			
	Rectory Repair	\$9,581		School Financial Aid	\$35,000		Dayspring Opportunity Scholarship	\$1,000			
	Stewardship	\$6,000		<b>2011</b>			Organ System Project	\$304,462			
	HVAC Monitor	\$7,900		School Financial Aid	\$35,000		Gerstenmaier Family Scholarship	\$1,500			
	Church Chiller	\$11,499		Deficit Reduction	\$34,012		Vocational Health & Wellness Support	\$916			
	Campus Signs	\$16,300		Byrider Renovations	\$18,500		School Financial Aid	\$35,000			
	Rectory Boiler	\$16,017		Helen Barry Hamlin Library Renovation	\$53,061						
	Restricted Accts. Distributions	\$118,642		Rectory Renovations	\$8,992						
<b>2007</b>				Zwisler Hall Plaza	\$9,020						
	School Financial Aid	\$35,000		Victor E. Buehrle, Jr. Science Projects	\$11,115						
	Classroom Renovation	\$10,763									
	Rectory Repair	\$4,390									
	School Video Security System	\$10,000									
	Playground	\$25,000									
	Church Chiller	\$11,980									
	Restricted Accts. Distributions	\$199,306									

# Endowments and Funds

## Foundation Funds and Endowments

St. Sebastian Development Fund  
Unrestricted Gifts for the  
Greatest Needs of the Parish

## Church Funds and Endowments

### *Adult Education*

Foley Family Adult Religious  
Education Endowment  
Fr. William D. Karg Faith Formation Fund

### *Bereavement*

Paul A. & Patricia A. Hummel  
Bereavement Endowment

### *Capital*

Adoration Chapel Fund  
Brick Fund  
Church Terrazzo Restoration Fund  
John L. Tormey Rectory Restoration Fund

### *Clergy*

Fickes Clergy Enrichment Fund  
Vocational Health & Wellness Fund

### *Education*

The Academy of Culture and Arts Fund

### *Grounds*

Grounds Crew Flower Fund  
Plaza Grounds Fund  
St. Sebastian Greenhouse Fund

### *McDonough Library*

Fr. John McDonough  
Resource Center Endowment

### *Music*

Music Endowment  
Organ Project Fund  
Piano Fund

### *Other*

Sanctuary Society Fund

## School Funds and Endowments

### *Athletics*

Athletic Booster Club Fund  
Locker Fund

### *Capital*

St. Sebastian School Endowment

### *Education*

Art Fund  
Victor E. Buehrle, Jr. Science Lab Fund  
Computer Fund  
Helen Barry Hamlin Library Fund  
iPad Fund  
Principal's Fund  
Mary Jane Hudak Roberts Math Fund  
September Spectacular  
Arts & Cultural Enrichment Fund  
September Spectacular Garden Fund  
September Spectacular Technology Fund

### *Tuition Assistance*

Alumni Scholarship Endowment  
Fr. Charles Byrider Education Endowment  
Hugh Colopy Scholarship Endowment  
Meyo Clarke Comunale Scholarship Endowment  
Alberta Hensley Scholarship Endowment  
Hank and Eileen Hudson  
Scholarship Endowment  
John and Joan Kelley Scholarship Endowment  
Mr. and Mrs. James M Lyons, Sr.  
Family Endowment  
M.G. O'Neil Scholarship Endowment  
Wm. J. O'Neil Scholarship Endowment  
Basil J. & Anne L. Scafidi  
Scholarship Endowment  
Lewis & Kathleen Seikel  
Scholarship Endowment  
Sheeks Family Scholarship Endowment  
Mary Theresa Schorr Stanley  
Memorial Scholarship Endowment  
September Spectacular  
Tuition Reduction Fund  
Stiller Family Scholarship Endowment  
Tuition Assistance Fund  
Victor Yanko Scholarship Endowment

### *Tuition Assistance and Teacher / Staff Support*

Dr. H. Thomas and Mary Rita Baumgardner  
Scholarship Endowment  
Cleary Family Scholarship Endowment  
Eugene D. & Marie T. Graham  
Scholarship Endowment  
Dr. Carl E. Krill, Sr. Family Endowment  
McFarland Education Scholarship Endowment  
Esther Simonetti Owen Scholarship Endowment  
James M. Pier, Sr. Scholarship Endowment  
William and Mildred Walzer  
Education Endowment  
Richard & Carroll Weber  
Scholarship Endowment

### *Teacher / Staff Support*

Louis H. Amer Education Endowment  
Mary Jo Costigan Teacher's Salary Endowment  
Social Ministry Fund

### *Scholarships*

Boy Scout Troop #96 Scholarship Endowment  
Dayspring Opportunity Scholarship Fund  
Gerstenmaier Family Scholarship Endowment  
GOAL (Graves O'Neill Academic Leaders)  
Endowment  
Donna Russo and Family  
Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Frances L. Sharp Scholarship Endowment  
Seminarian Scholarship Fund  
St. Anthony Scholarship Fund

If you would like to support any of the above Endowments or Funds, please feel free to use the enclosed envelope. If you would like to start your own Named Endowment with the St. Sebastian Parish Foundation, we can help. By creating an Endowment you can help secure the financial future for the parish. For more information, please contact Jennifer Knapp Ciarlariello at 330.836.2233 x113 or email [jenniferc@stsebastian.org](mailto:jenniferc@stsebastian.org).

# Thank You

## for Your Gifts to the St. Sebastian Parish Foundation in 2014!



We thank and acknowledge all those who have designated a gift to the St. Sebastian Parish Foundation in memory, honor, or celebration of their loved ones. We are grateful for their generosity in making a lasting gift to the parish. If we have inadvertently omitted your name, please call these oversights to our attention so that we may rectify our records. If you would like to honor someone you love, please feel free to use the enclosed envelope for your gift.

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Ramona Botzum

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“My favorite part about St. Sebastian Parish is the community of people. There are so many families in our parish who are committed to the church and school and supporting one another.”

— Heidi Heinle,  
Foundation Board Member

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*Designated to the  
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“I would say my favorite thing about St. Sebastian would be the many friends I have met over the past 35 years of being in this parish. After joining the grounds crew, I have met even more amazing volunteers. I am so impressed with how many of our parishioners volunteer in so many different committees. I also love that my grandson is now a student at our school.”

— Lois Gerstenmaier, *Foundation Board Member*

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## 2014 September Spectacular Recap

It was a special school year as St. Sebastian Parish School celebrated its 85th anniversary. Two alumni were honored at the 2014 event, Margaret Baumgardner Contrera '72 and Captain

Thomas Mascolo '73. The 2014 September Spectacular was able to profit over \$135,000 this past year because of the generosity of St. Sebastian parents, alumni and supporters of the school. Every Parish School student will receive a tuition credit of \$115 for the 2015-2016 school year. Also, over \$19,000 will be used for technology enhancements in our school. Donations to the Paddle Raise were over \$69,000 which will allow the new Technology Learning Lab to be completely renovated. A special thank you to board member Heidi Heinle and her husband Matt who chaired the event and to Mary Pat Doorley, Danielle Edgar, the school & parish staff, and the 100 plus parent volunteers for making this event SPECTACULAR!

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## Meet the 2015 September Spectacular Chair Couple

The St. Sebastian Parish Foundation is excited to announce that Executive Board Member Steve Wilt, together with his wife Holly, have accepted the honor to be the chair couple for the 2015 St. Sebastian September Spectacular. Steve and Holly Wilt are longtime community and school volunteers as well as active parents of children at St. Sebastian Parish School.

“We are so excited that the Wilt family stepped up to chair this event to support our students. The Wilt’s generosity in hosting this event will allow us to raise critical funds to continue our mission of providing an excellent Catholic-based education to our students. We are very fortunate.” said St. Sebastian Parish School Principal, Sandie Isabella.

The 2015 September Spectacular will take place in Zwisler Hall on Saturday, September 19, 2015. Advanced tickets are **required** to attend this worthy event. Please visit [stsebastian.org/school](http://stsebastian.org/school) for more information.







*A Caretaker's Look at our*

*Beloved Church Building*







## 55-year-old pews, floors, and ceiling in need of repair, refurbishment

Our beautiful church was dedicated in 1960. For about 30 years before that, St. Sebastian parishioners worshiped and students learned in a combined church/school building. When the new church was built, the old church became the school lunchroom and social hall, now known as Zwisler Hall. So, while the parish is celebrating its 85th anniversary, our church is also marking its 55th anniversary as a place of worship.

The St. Sebastian Church is an amazing and awe-inspiring structure, both impressive in its grand scale and delightful in small details. Have you ever paused to think of how many hands have clutched the sides of the pews as someone genuflected? Or how many feet have walked down the aisles for communion or during a wedding procession? Or how many knees have rested on the kneelers? Or how many children have squirmed in the pews?

For 55 years, this wonderful structure has been the site of many experiences of spiritual engagement and renewal, and many of us hold very fond memories of events that took place in our church.

However, if we set aside nostalgia and look closely at our church, with the eyes of the caretaker, we need to acknowledge that all this loving use of the building has also led to wear and tear.

# Our Beloved Church Building

While the church could be said to have “good bones,” a major concern is the state of the woodwork, especially the pews. The church has about 120 pews and 360 kneelers, all of which are in serious disrepair. The finish of the pews is worn, scratched, and unsightly, and a kneeler or two falls off every week. The pews take up so much space in the church that their disrepair detracts from the overall beauty of the building.

The only way to properly restore them to their original working order and luster is to remove them so they can be sent out to be repaired, sanded and varnished, and then have book racks installed.

The removal of the pews would provide an opportunity to complete two other big projects: the refurbishment of the terrazzo floor and the repair of the ceiling. The terrazzo floor, which was painstakingly installed by skilled craftsmen, is worn and pitted and largely void of its original luster. Several areas of the ceiling have water damage, which is unsightly and a problem that cannot be ignored.

All of these projects are large and costly, but absolutely necessary. Our church is a great source of strength to both the parishioners and the surrounding community. It's time to restore and repair so that the building can remain a foundation of faith and community for many more years to come.



If you have any interest in assisting with these renovation projects, please contact Jennifer Ciarlariello at (330) 836-2233 x113 or [jenniferc@stsebastian.org](mailto:jenniferc@stsebastian.org).



## Supporting the St. Sebastian Parish Foundation

No gift is too big or too small. All gifts help support the parish for future generations to come. The St. Sebastian Parish Foundation relies on the generosity of our community and you can help shape the future of the parish. There are many ways to give:

- A donation to support the parish's greatest current need
- A donation to any of the nearly 70 funds and endowments
- Designating the Foundation as a beneficiary of a will or trust
- Donation of real estate
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Please feel free to use the enclosed envelope for any future gifts.





## ➡ Arrow Society ⬅

The Arrow Society recognizes and honors individuals who have included the St. Sebastian Parish Foundation in their estate plans. Members of the society can include parishioners, alumni, parents and grandparents of students, faculty members, school trustees and many others who have supported the St. Sebastian Parish Foundation through the years.

If you have already made a planned gift and remembered the St. Sebastian Parish Foundation in your will or as a beneficiary of a life insurance or retirement account, please let us know so we can welcome you into our society. Notifying us now will also help us make plans to use your generous gift as you intend.

All members of the Arrow Society will have their names appear on the cast bronze remembrance plaque located in the narthex of our church.

# LEAVE A *Legacy*

The St. Sebastian Parish Foundation relies on the generosity of our community and can help you shape a legacy of hope for future generations. Planned gifts are becoming an increasingly important and critical source of endowment income for St. Sebastian Parish. The St. Sebastian Parish Foundation can help you achieve your long-term goals and secure your legacy of charitable giving for generations to come. Planned gifts are simply gifts that St. Sebastian Parish will receive sometime in the future. They often provide benefits (income and tax) to the donor as well as to St. Sebastian Parish, and provide important support for St. Sebastian Parish.

Long-term giving and planned commitments to the St. Sebastian Parish Foundation may be made in many ways, including deferred gifts and estate trusts; you can designate the St. Sebastian Parish Foundation as a beneficiary of a will or trust, retirement plan, life insurance policy, bank account or stock holding. Please allow our staff to assist you in achieving these goals, as we are dedicated to helping donors achieve their long-term charitable goals.



If you have included the St. Sebastian Parish Foundation in your estate plans, or are considering including the St. Sebastian Parish Foundation in your plans, please let us know so we can thank you now for your generosity. Individuals who have included St. Sebastian Parish Foundation in their estate plans are invited to become members of our Arrow Society.

All estate donor names appear in our remembrance plaque in the church narthex.



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