

**“The best thing we can do  
for society is a Roncalli  
educated child.”**

*~ Parent of Two  
Roncalli Graduates*

**THE IMPACT OF YOUR GIVING**

**2024 - 2025**



## A MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

Dear Roncalli Family,

As we reflect on the past year, we are deeply grateful for your partnership and generosity. Thanks to your support, Roncalli High School has made meaningful strides toward our vision of “forming disciples of Jesus Christ through the intercession of Saint John XXIII.”

Because of you:

- We were able to replace the HVAC system in the auditorium, which was 20 years old.
- We replaced the floor and bleachers in the original Bishop Chartrand gymnasium.
- We were able to grow the school’s endowment from \$3.5 million to \$4.4 million.
- We were able to provide tuition assistance to our families in need.
- We were able to provide our faculty and staff with enrichment opportunities.

Your contributions have created real change. Every number in this year’s Impact Report represents a story of hope, opportunity and transformation—and you made that possible.

As we look ahead to the coming year, we are excited to continue building on this momentum together. Thank you for believing in our mission and for being an essential part of this journey.

With heartfelt gratitude,

*Terese R. Carson*

Terese R. Carson, Hon '18

Vice President for Institutional Advancement

“Forming disciples of Jesus Christ through  
the intercession of Saint John XXIII.”



2024-2025

### CIRCLE OF FAITH ANNUAL FUND

- BISHOP CHARTRAND GYMNASIUM RENOVATIONS
- FINE ARTS CENTER HVAC
- TUITION ASSISTANCE
- FACULTY & STAFF ENRICHMENT
- ENDOWMENT



# Did you know that because of YOU...?





THE CLASS OF 2025 COMPLETED

53,892

HOURS OF  
COMMUNITY  
SERVICE

DURING THEIR FOUR YEARS AT RONCALLI

## GRADUATE PLACEMENT

CLASS OF 2025

4-YEAR COLLEGE	84%
2-YEAR COLLEGE	5%
MILITARY	1%
APPRENTICESHIP OR WORKFORCE	10%

## DIPLOMA TYPES

CLASS OF 2025

ACADEMIC HONORS DIPLOMA WITH DISTINCTION	62
CORE 40 WITH ACADEMIC HONORS DIPLOMA	117
CORE 40 WITH TECHNICAL HONORS	7
CORE 40 DIPLOMA	76
GENERAL DIPLOMA	1
ALTERNATIVE DIPLOMA	2



# Lauren Turk R'22

From the moment I first walked through the doors of Roncalli High School, I knew I had entered a community unlike any other — one that forms both the heart and the mind. My years as a Royal were filled with opportunities to grow in faith, perseverance and service. As a member and captain of the cross country and track teams, I learned the value of teamwork, discipline and perspective. Praying with my teammates before every practice and meet reminded me that our efforts were never simply about competition, but about honoring God in all that we do.

What truly distinguishes Roncalli, however, is its exceptional faculty and staff. They are more than educators — they are mentors, role models and people of faith who genuinely care for their students. Whether it was a teacher staying after class to offer guidance, a coach modeling integrity through action or a staff member offering encouragement in passing, each person played a role in shaping who I am today. Their unwavering support created an environment where students could not only achieve academically but also grow spiritually and personally.

After graduating from Roncalli in 2022, I continued my education at Butler University, earning my Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences degree in 2025. In May of 2026, I am beginning Butler's Physician Assistant program, where the foundation of faith, compassion and integrity that Roncalli instilled in me will continue to guide every step in my journey. I am forever grateful to be part of a community that truly lives out its mission to form disciples of Christ who are eager to serve.

2024-2025

RONCALLI ALUMNI

\$332,605.16

TOTAL FUNDS DONATED



# Sarah & Ryan Timberlake

As a past career military family, we've moved often, but our years in Indiana have been especially meaningful thanks to Roncalli High School. When we first settled in Bloomington, we met a devout Catholic family who drove their son over 50 miles daily to attend Roncalli. Their dedication left a lasting impression on us and shaped our view of what makes Roncalli such a special place — a school deeply rooted in faith, family and commitment.

About five years ago, we decided to move closer to Indianapolis so our children could attend a Catholic high school that shared our values. We wanted an environment that emphasized faith, service and academic excellence, and Roncalli has delivered that and more. The staff and faculty live out their faith daily, providing a challenging education built on Christian values that prepare students for life beyond high school.

Our children, Sophia, Elijah, Camden, Emma and Isaac, have all benefited greatly from their time at Roncalli. They've found not only academic growth but also a strong sense of belonging and purpose. As a military family, our kids have often been "the new kids," but Roncalli quickly became a true home for them. The school's welcoming community, rigorous academics and Christ-centered mission have given them a foundation of faith and reason that will guide them throughout life.

Supporting Roncalli means more to us than just sending our children to a school. It means partnering with a community that helps shape them into thoughtful, faithful and compassionate young adults. We are grateful for the role Roncalli plays in strengthening both our family's faith and their future.



The Timberlakes:  
Isaac R'27, Sophia R'26, Emma R'27, Ryan, Sarah, Camden R'26 and Elijah R'26

2024-2025 DONATIONS  
**RONCALLI**  
**PAST & CURRENT**  
**PARENTS**  
**\$749,401.68**



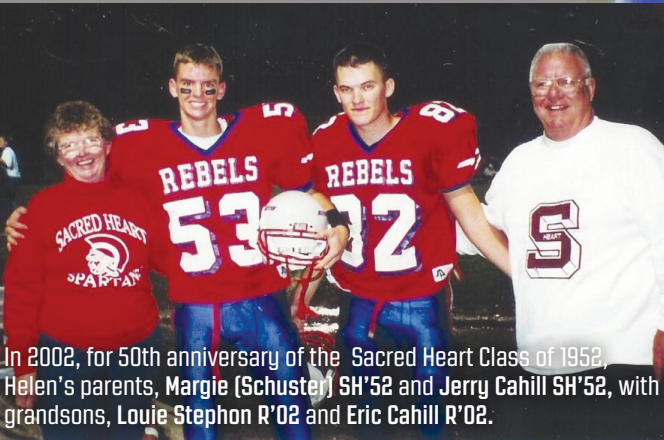
# Helen (Cahill) Stephon R'76

Our roots run deep in the Roncalli community. This is a historic time with the 150th anniversary of Sacred Heart and my 50th anniversary as a member of the Roncalli Class of 1976.

My great-grandmother Mary (Suding) Schott's parents came from Germany. They settled in Indianapolis when Mary was a young girl and became members of Sacred Heart Parish. Her daughter Helen (Schott) Schuster Sander graduated from Sacred Heart in 1921. Helen's daughter Margie (Schuster) Cahill graduated from Sacred Heart in 1952 and married classmate Jerry Cahill.

Together, they had me, Helen (Cahill) Stephon, and I graduated from Roncalli in 1976. My four children also graduated from Roncalli: Katie R'99, Louie R'02, Mary R'06 and Maggie R'08. Louie's son, Lucas, will graduate in 2029, marking six generations of our family's connection to Sacred Heart and Roncalli.

Faith, love of family and community have always been at the heart of our story. I feel blessed to be part of such a strong, faith-filled community and to see our family's legacy continue to thrive at Roncalli.



In 2002, for 50th anniversary of the Sacred Heart Class of 1952, Helen's parents, Margie (Schuster) SH'52 and Jerry Cahill SH'52, with grandsons, Louie Stephon R'02 and Eric Cahill R'02.



2024-2025  
**RONCALLI**  
**GRANDPARENTS**  
**\$225,206.24**  
TOTAL FUNDS DONATED

During 2025 Homecoming halftime, recognizing the 50th anniversary of the Roncalli Class of 1976, Helen with grandson, Lucas Stephon R'29 and son, Louie Stephon R'02.



# Gerard, Hon'09 & Kim Striby

Many have described Roncalli as a “family.” When Gerard was hired in 1992, he knew it was the right move, and that was confirmed literally on his first day when he walked the halls of the school, surrounded by students and staff. That description of Roncalli still rings true today. The administration has always been supportive, challenging each member of the staff and all the students to reach their full potential. Every member of the staff is committed to living out the charisms of our namesake. Most importantly, the students make this an incredible place to work. They are the heart of the Roncalli family.

More than 10 years before Kim came to Roncalli, Chuck Weisenbach asked her to interview for an English position. At the time, Kim was living on the west side and was working at St. Christopher Catholic Church as a secretary. Kim asked the principal of the school whether she should consider it, and the principal said that if she were to teach anywhere, Roncalli was the place to be. Kim

did not interview at that point, but after she met Gerard, she knew it was time to go back to teaching. Her being at Roncalli is definitely a “God thing.” God called, Kim answered, and she feels incredibly blessed to be a member of the Roncalli family.

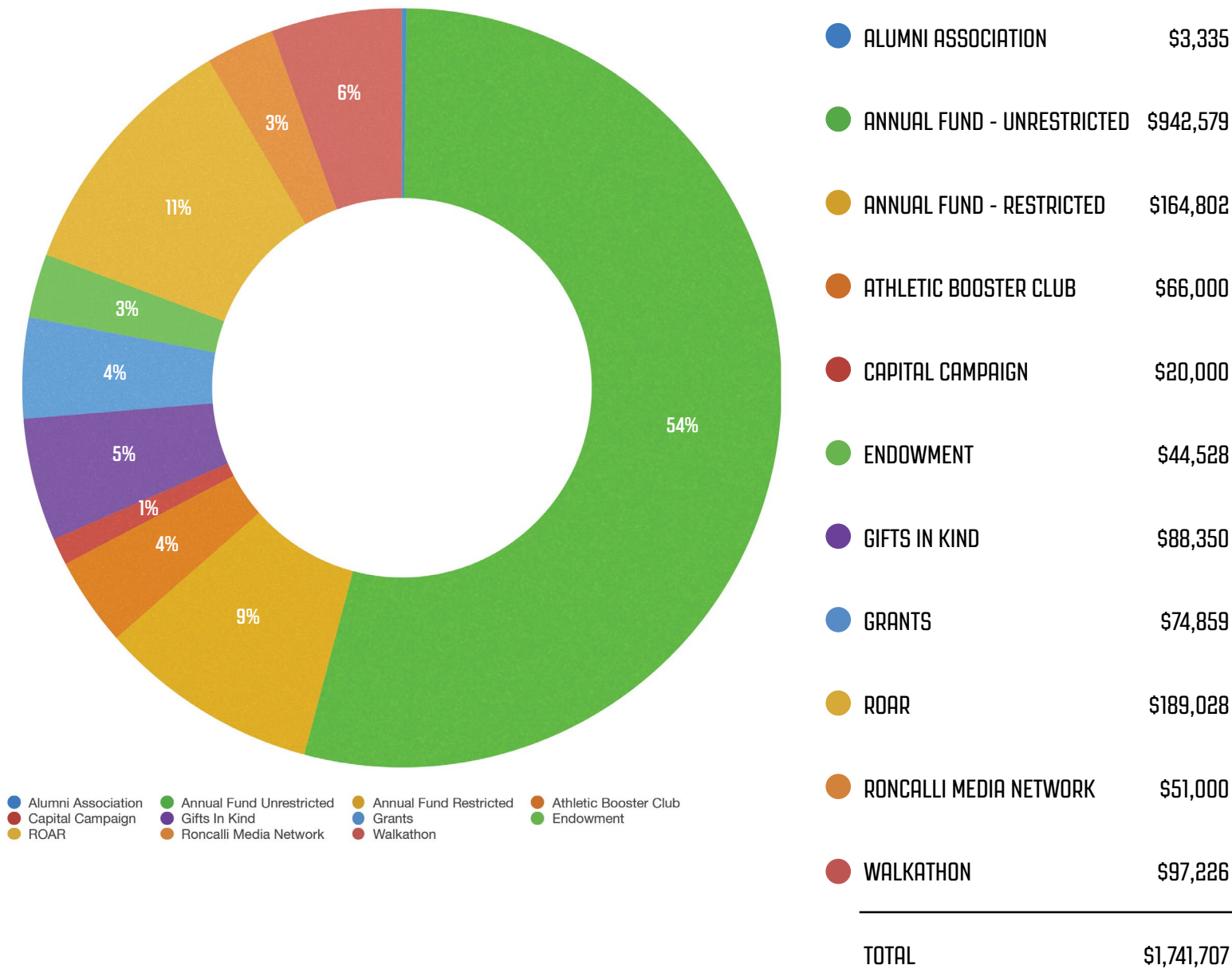
The greatest part of Roncalli, however, is its Catholic identity. That is the foundation of “R” family. From daily prayer, bi-weekly liturgies, Adoration, retreats and so much more, it is Christ who is the center of all that we do.

2024-2025  
**RONCALLI**  
**FACULTY & STAFF**  
**\$24,374.62**  
TOTAL FUNDS DONATED





# ADVANCEMENT EFFORTS 2024-2025





# ENDOWMENT FUNDS

We recognize with gratitude the donors who have established and supported the endowed scholarships at Roncalli. These lasting investments continue to shape the lives of our students and support our mission.

Karl Andrews Heart and Soul Memorial Scholarship

Anne Armbruster Endowment

Mike Brewer “Spirit of a Lady Royal” Award

Bernard F. Dever Memorial Scholarship

Martin R. Eckstein Scholarship

Daniel J. and Elizabeth A. Elsener Endowment

“Be Like Bob” Bob Hillan Family Scholarship

The Joe and Diane Hollowell  
Scholarship

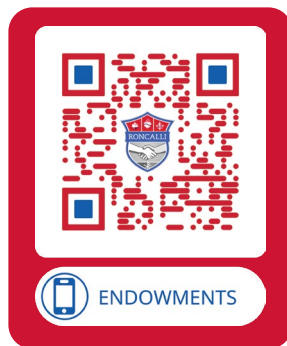
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Roncalli High School Endowment

Roncalli High School Facility Endowment

Roncalli High School Faculty and Staff Enrichment  
Endowment

Robert E. Ronzi Memorial Scholarship

Dick and Donna Smith Memorial Scholarship

Dave and Angie Toner Sportsmanship Award

Robert F. Tully Endowment

James L. Wells Memorial Scholarship

Philip J. Wilhelm Endowment

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The Thad Christopher Yanis Memorial Scholarship



OVER  
**\$64.7**  
THOUSAND

TOTAL GIFTS  
**506**

Join us January 29, 2026 for our next Loyal Royal Day of Giving to support our students, faculty and campus and to celebrate the Roncalli community.





# Kathy & Keith Syberg

Originally from the St. Louis area, we were not familiar with the southside Roncalli “family” when we relocated to Indianapolis in 1983, but we knew we were committed to providing our seven children with a Catholic education.

Since our oldest daughter entered Roncalli 30 years ago, and now with 11 grandchildren as either alumni, currently attending, or yet to enroll, Roncalli has become an integral part of our lives. With two generations now behind us, we understand what being part of the Roncalli “family” means. For the four high school years - maybe the most important in a young person’s life - it means your children are going to be pushed academically while surrounded by good peers. They will be guided by administrators and faculty who care about who they become, both inside and outside of the classroom, and

the Catholic faith will inform everything that happens, all day, every day. One of our daughters says the check she writes to Roncalli is the most important bill she pays every month. Children are an essential part of our legacy, so Roncalli’s molding of our kids and grandkids is part of that legacy.

Including Roncalli in our estate plans through the Saint John XXIII Legacy Society was a natural decision for us. This school has played such an important role in shaping our children and grandchildren that we wanted to ensure future families have the same opportunity. It’s our way of saying thank you and helping the Roncalli “family” continue for generations to come.

St. John the 23rd – pray for us.



Given the chance, most of us want to leave a lasting reminder of the gratitude we feel for the organizations we love and support. It is a privilege to contribute to the important work that benefits society, perhaps for generations to come.



A planned gift will significantly impact the mission of Roncalli High School and transform the lives of our students. Planned gifts may be designated to a particular project, endowed fund, scholarship or program or directed to provide unrestricted support for the greatest needs of the school. In addition to the personal satisfaction of knowing you have made a tremendous impact on the lives of current and future Roncalli students and helped to lay the foundation for a sustainable future for the school, properly planned charitable gifts can potentially provide you with tax and

financial benefits. Furthermore, you will be recognized as a distinguished member of the Saint John XXIII Legacy Society at Roncalli High School.

Membership in the Saint John XXIII Legacy Society is reserved for benefactors who name Roncalli High School in their estate plans or as

a beneficiary designee. Notifying Roncalli High School of your plans allows us to discuss your wishes for your gift and thank you during your lifetime. Members may remain anonymous.

There are many planned gift opportunities available. As you consider ways to support Roncalli's mission and vision, let us help you find rewarding planning strategies with unique combinations of tax savings and personal satisfaction.

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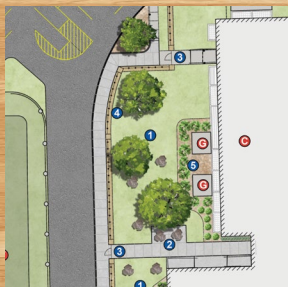
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# We need your help for 2025-2026.



Green Space



Tuition Assistance



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Endowment



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