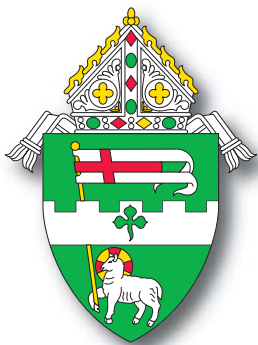


# DIOCESE OF PATERSON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

# Annual Report

2015-2016



- Most Reverend Arthur J. Serratelli, S.T.D., S.S.L., D.D** . . . Bishop of Paterson
- Rev. Stanley C. Barron** . . . . . Vicar for Education
- Mary Baier, MPA** . . . . . Superintendent of Schools
- Deborah Duane, MA** . . . . . Associate Superintendent of Schools
- Michael Zakur** . . . . . Director of Technology and Special Services
- Maria Kistler** . . . . . Director of Catholic Schools Marketing
- Toni Lucas** . . . . . Administrative Assistant
- Constance Mikolajczyk** . . . . . Administrative Assistant
- Pat Deleu** . . . . . Consultant



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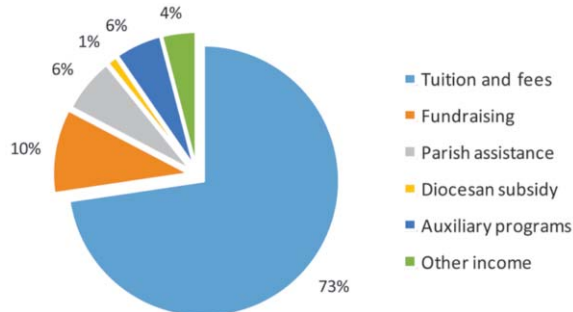
## FINANCES

### Diocese of Paterson school financial analysis for fiscal year 2014-15

For the 2014-2015 school year (the year for which the most complete financial data is available) the schools accumulated \$74,454,078.00 in expenses, while generating \$74,813,973.00 in revenue.

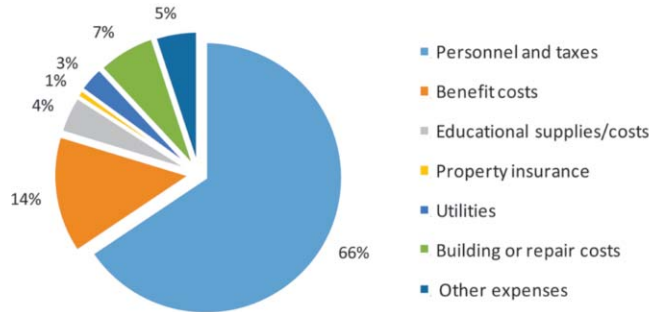
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#### ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS: REVENUE



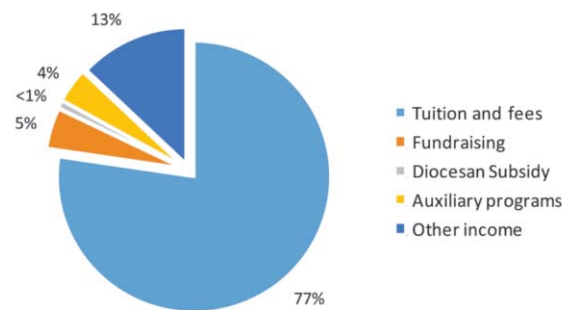
Tuition and fees.....	\$33,661,441
Fundraising .....	4,650,383
Parish assistance .....	3,018,894
Diocesan subsidy.....	546,617
Auxiliary programs .....	2,568,900
Other income .....	1,886,595
<b>Total Revenue .....</b>	<b>\$46,332,830</b>

#### ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS: EXPENSES



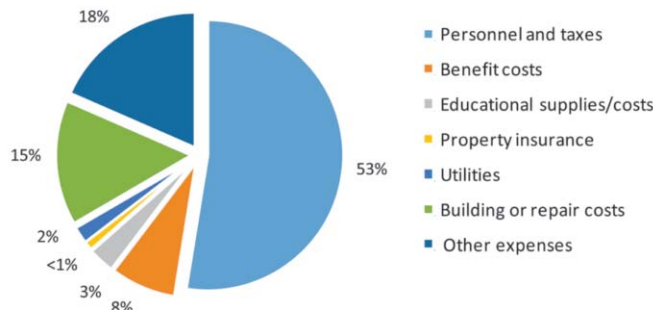
Personnel and taxes .....	\$30,111,654
Benefit costs .....	6,494,223
Educational supplies/costs.....	2,035,256
Property insurance.....	413,256
Utilities.....	1,402,269
Building or repair costs .....	3,150,593
Other expenses.....	2,313,913
<b>Total Expenses .....</b>	<b>\$45,921,164</b>

#### HIGH SCHOOLS: REVENUE



Tuition and fees.....	\$22,175,605
Fundraising .....	1,373,030
Diocesan Subsidy .....	50,290
Auxiliary programs .....	1,165,675
Other income .....	3,716,543
<b>Total Revenue .....</b>	<b>\$28,481,143</b>

#### HIGH SCHOOLS: EXPENSES



Personnel and taxes .....	\$15,097,588
Benefit costs .....	2,243,423
Educational supplies/costs.....	901,811
Property insurance.....	111,284
Utilities.....	585,270
Building or repair costs .....	4,292,147
Other expenses .....	5,301,391
<b>Total Expenses .....</b>	<b>\$ 28,532,914</b>

**Total Revenue All Schools .....** **\$74,813,973**

**Total Expenses All Schools .....** **\$74,454,078**

## SCHOOLS AT A GLANCE

<b>Schools</b>	
Elementary .....	<b>31</b>
Secondary .....	<b>3</b>
Religious Community Elementary....	<b>2</b>
Religious Community Secondary.....	<b>4</b>
<b>Staffing</b>	
Elementary .....	<b>669</b>
Secondary.....	<b>37</b>
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>1,044</b>



<b>Enrollment</b>		Seventh Grade....	<b>649</b>
PreK .....	<b>1,066</b>	Eighth Grade .....	<b>748</b>
Kindergarten .....	<b>653</b>	Ninth Grade .....	<b>683</b>
First Grade.....	<b>625</b>	Tenth Grade .....	<b>717</b>
Second Grade ....	<b>628</b>	Eleventh Grade ...	<b>690</b>
Third Grade.....	<b>669</b>	Twelfth Grade ....	<b>712</b>
Fourth Grade .....	<b>633</b>	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>9,814</b>
Fifth Grade .....	<b>688</b>		
Sixth Grade.....	<b>653</b>		

#### Total scholarships awarded to Diocesan high school graduates:

DePaul Catholic High School: \$75,000,000.00 • Pope John XXXIII High School: \$34,635,341.00  
 Morris Catholic High School: \$20,102,779.00

## APPOINTMENTS

*The following administrators joined the Diocese of Paterson Catholic Schools at the beginning of the 2015-2016 school year:*

- **Mary Baier**, MPA, Superintendent of Schools, Diocese of Paterson
- **Deborah Duane**, MA, Associate Superintendent of Schools, Diocese of Paterson
- **Maria Kistler**, Director of Catholic Schools Marketing
- **Leslie Dreps**, Principal, Academy of St. Francis of Assisi, Totowa
- **Sr. Emy DeFilippi**, FMA, Principal, St. Anthony School, Hawthorne
- **Sr. Marisa DeRose**, FMA, Principal, Mary Help of Christians Academy, North Haledon
- **Lynn Burek**, Principal, Academy of St. Elizabeth, Morristown
- **Michael Zakur**, Director of Technology and Special Services

*We would like to welcome the following administrators who have been hired to join us for the beginning of the upcoming 2016-2017 school year:*

- **Douglas Minson**, Principal, Our Lady of Mount Carmel School, Boonton
- **Dr. Christine Ross**, Principal, St. Patrick School, Chatham
- **Cynthia Schirm**, Principal, St. Andrew School, Clifton
- **Father Jhon Madrid**, Principal, St. Brendan School, Clifton
- **Dawn Paskalides**, Principal, Holy Family School, Florham Park
- **Dr. Robert Stickles**, Interim President, Morris Catholic High School, Morristown
- **Timothy Dunnigan**, Principal, St. Therese School, Succasunna

*We would like to congratulate the following administrators on their new roles for the upcoming 2016-2017 school year:*

- **Patrick Peace**, Director of Government Programs and Networking, Catholic Schools Office
- **Susan Santore**, Principal, Pope John XXIII Middle School, Sparta
- **Patricia Klebez**, Principal, Rev. George A. Brown School, Sparta
- **Ann Mitchell**, Principal, Divine Mercy Academy, Rockaway
- **Father Peter Clarke**, Principal, DePaul Catholic High School, Wayne

*We would also like to welcome any other administrators who have been hired after this report went to print.*

## RETIREMENTS

**Sr. June Morrissey, SC**, principal of St. Pius X School, Montville, has retired after 41 years of service to the schools of the Diocese of Paterson. We thank Sr. June for her dedication and talent ministering to the children of the Diocese.

## CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to the following sisters who are celebrating jubilees this year:

- **Sr. Noreen Holly SC** – 25 years
- **Sr. Theresa Marie Firenze OSF** – 40 years
- **Sr. Merris Larkin SC** – 50 years

## First Catholic elementary schools in U.S. earn AdvancED STEM Certification

**AdvancED congratulates** three elementary schools in the Diocese of Paterson on receiving AdvancED STEM certification for grades PK-8: All Saints Academy, Parsippany; Saint Catherine of Bologna School, Ringwood; and Saint Anthony School, Hawthorne. The certification process provides a rigorous evaluation and continuous improvement process, supported by research-based tools and resources. Achieving high scores across the indicators certifies that students have been equipped and trained to be innovative, creative and systematic problem-solvers across disciplines. This achievement is a mark of STEM distinction and excellence only offered to highly effective institutions that prioritize STEM education as a path to success. These three schools are the first Catholic elementary schools in the United States to receive this certification.



## New Pope John XXIII Middle School

**Bishop Serratelli broke ground** for the new Pope John XXIII Middle School on June 6, 2016. The 22,000 square foot middle school will be part of the Catholic Academy of Sussex County. This university style campus is home to the new K-12 model, the first of its kind in the Diocese of Paterson. The campus consists of Rev. George A. Brown Elementary School for grades PK-4, the new Pope John XXIII Middle School for grades 5-7, and the Pope John XXIII High School housing grades 8-12. The building of the new middle school is part of the Diocese's comprehensive strategic repositioning plan for the long term viability and vitality of Catholic education in Passaic, Morris and Sussex counties.

## Curricula updates

**The Diocese of Paterson has** continued to work this year using Notre Dame's Alliance for Catholic Education partnership to strengthen and enhance curricula in the elementary and secondary schools. Having already completed new Mathematics, Reading and English Language Arts curricula, the Diocese of Paterson Schools Office has introduced a new Science curriculum and plans on implementing a new Religion curriculum September 2016. Principals and teachers from the Diocesan high schools will begin revising the English Language Arts and Mathematics High School curricula during the 2016-2017 school year.

## Mary Help of Christians Academy celebrates 75th anniversary

**Bishop Serratelli visited** the campus of Mary Help of Christians Academy on May 14, 2016 to celebrate 75 years of learning, leadership and faith. For the past 75 years, Mary Help of Christians Academy has been preparing young women for roles in the Church, the workplace and society. In the Salesian tradition this Catholic college preparatory school embraces the charism of reason, religion and loving kindness as inspired by Saint John Bosco and Saint Mary Mazzarello. Embodying the ideals of "Beauty, Truth, and Joy," young women grades 9th-12th are educated in a family environment developing their spiritual growth, social responsibility and commitment to service.

## All Saints Academy receives award from National Junior Honor Society

**The All Saints Academy** National Junior Honor Society organized a shoe drive benefitting the Soles 4 Souls organization which recycles shoes for people in need. The students organized and managed this project from start to finish, sorting, bagging, and storing thousands of shoes. With the generous support of the school family and community 4,000 pairs of shoes were collected, surpassing the initial goal of 500 pairs of shoes.



## Ground breaking for addition to St. Vincent Martyr School

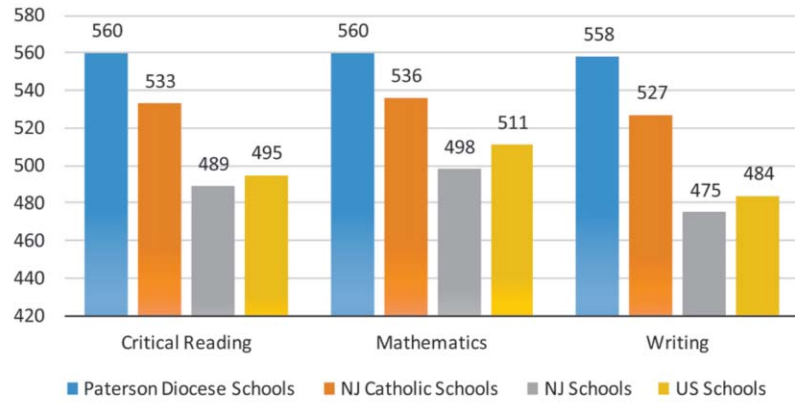
**Bishop Serratelli turned over** a ceremonial shovelful of soil on January 4, 2016 to break ground on a \$2 million, two-story addition to St. Vincent Martyr School. The new facility will provide six additional classrooms and a state of the art science lab – ready for STEM instruction. The addition will allow for a better learning environment, enhance the overall school, and benefit the growing upper grade student population.

## AdvancED update

**The schools of the Diocese of Paterson** have completed five years with AdvancED accreditation. The process of system re-accreditation for the Catholic schools of the Diocese of Paterson will begin during the 2016-2017 academic school year. An external review every five years ensures that the Catholic Schools Office and the schools of the Diocese adhere to the AdvancED Standards of Excellence – that they engage in a process of continuous improvement. This demonstration of quality assurance affirms that schools in the Diocese of Paterson remain committed to their mission of providing high quality Catholic education to their students.

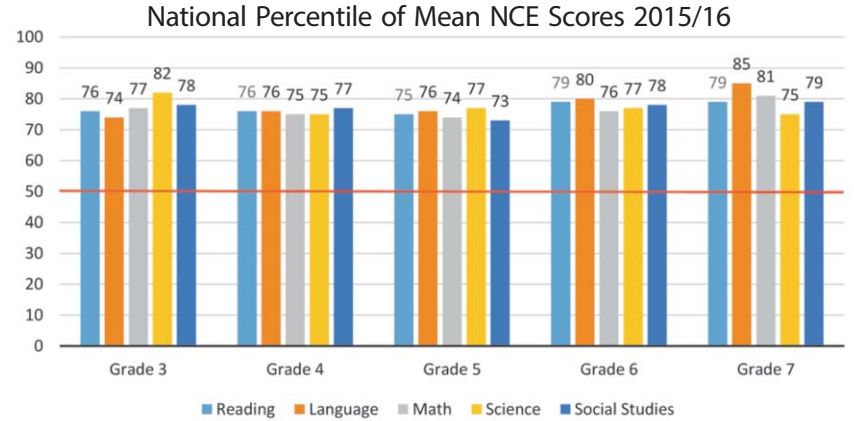
# ACADEMICS

## 2015 SAT Mean Scores



Students who graduate from Catholic high schools in the Diocese of Paterson have scores that substantially outdistance those of students in public schools.

## Terra Nova



Each year students in the diocese take the Terra Nova standardized assessment. The Diocese of Paterson national percentile scores range from 23-35 percentage points above the national normed average.

# HONORS AND AWARDS

## NATIONAL AWARDS

### National Merit Scholarship Program – Finalist

Pope John XXIII Regional High School, Sparta:

**Caroline Potts**

### National Merit Scholarship Corporation

Morris Catholic High School, Denville:

**Amanda Lyons**

### National Merit Scholarship Program – Commended Scholars

Pope John XXIII Regional High School, Sparta:

**Natalie Bossart, Hannah Haile, Monica Higgins, Joseph Ilardi, Audrey Kent, Winter Lauch, Brian Warsh**

DePaul Catholic High School, Wayne:

**Jamie Han**

Morris Catholic High School, Denville:

**Jennifer Cinque**

**Peter Palumbo**

### National Hispanic Recognition Program

Pope John XXIII Regional High School, Sparta:

**Joseph Valenza**

DePaul Catholic High School, Wayne:

**Alexandra Collado**

Morris Catholic High School, Denville:

**Ashley Apro**

Morris Catholic High School, Denville:

**Julia Rangel**

### 2016 NJ Governor's School Finalists

School of Engineering and Technology, Pope John XXIII Regional High School, Sparta:

**Rebecca Wiltshire**

School in the Sciences, Pope John XXIII Regional High School, Sparta:

**Jacob Cooper**

### Appointment to U.S. Military Academy, West Point

Pope John XIII Regional High School, Sparta:

**Nnekd Pilgrim**

### US Navy's Reserve Officers' Training Corps

### (ROTC) – Full 4 Year Scholarship

DePaul Catholic High School, Wayne:

**Catherine Kluge**

### President's Volunteer Service Award

Pope John XXIII Regional High School, Sparta – received award for the second year in a row:

**Winter Ann Lauch**

### Wendy's High School Heisman Program School Winner

Pope John XXIII Regional High School, Sparta:

**Amanda Libero**

### The Thomas C. Morrison Memorial Science Award

Morris Catholic High School, Denville:

**Peter Palumbo**

2016 NJ Herald Reader's Choice Award – #1 Pre-School/Day Care/Summer Camp

**The Auxilium School and Camp Auxilium, Newton**

## GENERAL AWARDS

### Bishop Rodimer Christian Service Award

Morris Catholic High School, Denville:

**Julia Rossetto**

### Catholic Relief Services Award

Morris Catholic High School, Denville:

**Julia Rossetto and Brady Hishmeh**

### 8th Grade Essay Competition Awards

St. Therese School, Succasunna:

1st Place: **Michael Maglio**

St. Rose of Lima Academy, East Hanover:

2nd Place: **Sadie McVicar**

Sacred Heart School, Rockaway:

3rd Place: **Sofia Nunez**

### 7th Grade Essay Competition Awards

St. Therese School, Succasunna:

First Place: **Abby Hopkins,**

St. Rose of Lima Academy, East Hanover:

2nd Place: **Julia Prestigiacomo**

Holy Spirit School, Pequannock:

3rd Place: **Patrick Walsh**

### Missionary Childhood Association Award

1st Place: **St. Gerard Majella School, Paterson**

2nd Place: **St. Andrew School, Clifton**  
3rd Place: **Sacred Heart School, Rockaway**

### The Diocese of Paterson Federation of Home and School Associations Scholarship Essay Contest Winners

St. Therese School, Succasunna:

**Madison Lauch**

St. Mary of the Assumption School, Pompton Lakes:

**Dominique Scerbak**

Sacred Heart School, Rockaway:

**Stephanie Smith**

### Seton Hall University Jubilee of Mercy Essay Contest Winners

Mary Help of Christians Academy, N. Haledon:

**Allyson Swartzberg**

Morris Catholic High School, Denville:

**Haley Driscoll**

### Mount St. Mary's Forensic Awards

St. Patrick School, Chatham:

1st Place Grade 6: **Molly Farrell**

St. Patrick School, Chatham:

1st Place Grade 7: **Mary Kate Vowells**

St. Patrick School, Chatham:

2nd Place Grade 7: **Maddie Morton,**

St. Patrick School, Chatham:

3rd Place Grade 7: **Charlotte Hamilton**

### American Legion Essay Contest

Academy of St. Francis, Totowa:

1st Place: **Natalie Coletti**

### NJ State House Catholic Schools Week Poster Winners

Academy of St. Francis, Totowa:

**Yazmine Cooper**

Academy of St. Francis, Totowa:

**Ally Jimenez**

St. Cecilia School, Rockaway:

**Sophia Pimentel**

St. Gerard Majella School, Paterson:

**Keiry Sylvestre**

St. Patrick School, Chatham:

**Cate Archer**

St. Virgil Academy, Morris Plains:

**Tonianne Poccia**

### Zaner-Bloser Handwriting Contest State Winner Grade 7

St. Therese School, Succasunna:

**Caitlin Beck**

### Freedom Scholarship Award

St. Therese School, Succasunna:

**Madison Lauch**

### Dwight Eisenhower Leadership Award

*From West Point Society of NJ*

Pope John XXIII Regional High School, Sparta:

**Brendan Schuldner**

### Partnership for a Drug-Free New Jersey

*4th grade finalist*

St. Gerard Majella, Paterson:

**Omayra Fernandez**

### Clifton Boys and Girls Club Essay Contest Winner

St. Andrew the Apostle School, Clifton:

**Kyara Matias**

### Morris Catholic Science Expo

*Most Original Project*

**Robotics Team, St. Therese School, Succasunna**

### National Geographic Geography Bee

Holy Spirit School, Pequannock:

**Patrick Walsh, winner**

Holy Spirit School, Pequannock:

**Sarthak Katyal, runner up**

## ATHLETIC AWARDS

### State North A Non-Public Champions

Girls Spring Track – Pope John XXIII Regional High School, Sparta

### Avenger's Volleyball League

Second Place: Academy of St. Francis, Totowa

### GIL Volleyball Championship

Varsity and Junior Varsity Teams, St. Joseph School, Mendham

### Morris County Catholic Basketball League Championships

Grade 8 Girls: **St. Patrick School, Chatham**

Grade 8 Boys: **St. Patrick School, Chatham**

Grade 7 Girls: **St. Patrick School, Chatham**

Grade 7 Boys: **St. Joseph School, Mendham**

Grade 6 Girls: **St. Joseph School, Mendham**

Grade 6 Boys: **St. Patrick School, Chatham**

### Northwest Jersey Athletic Conference Divisional Champions

Pope John XXIII Regional High School, Sparta:

1. Wrestling
2. Girls Cross Country
3. Girls Swimming
4. Boys Basketball
5. Girls Tennis
6. Football

### Hunterdon/Warren/Sussex Tournament Champions

Boys Basketball – **Pope John XXIII Regional High School, Sparta**

### Football and Wrestling State Champions

DePaul Catholic High School, Wayne

### Softball League and Passaic County Softball Champions

DePaul Catholic High School, Wayne

### Wrestling County and District Champions

DePaul Catholic High School

### NJSIAA Scholar Athlete Award

Morris Catholic High School, Denville:

**Amanda Lyons**

### Award NJAC Scholar Athlete

Morris Catholic High School, Denville:

**Amanda Lyons**

**Daniel Gates**

### Morris County Scholar Athlete Award

Morris Catholic High School, Denville:

**Rachel Mills**