



# ST. LUKE SCHOOL

## #ALL -IN

### ANNUAL FUND CAMPAIGN 2020-21

Dear St. Luke Families,

As we enter our third month since reopening our doors to our cherished students and faculty there are few words that capture our collective sense of pride, achievement, and shared mission of faith here at St. Luke School. There really is only one way to say it: since the day we were forced to close our doors last March, this community has been **ALL-IN** to get our students back in the classroom with the highest degree of safety and painstaking attention to public health guidance. I came to St. Luke to serve as your principal, but these last several months have revealed in fact a much deeper relationship – I am amazed every day how remarkable people of faith are pulling together and selflessly serving our children and one another in ways unimaginable just six months ago. The sacrifices made by the St. Luke community reminds us all that with Christ as our guide anything is possible!

The decision to reopen full time was not arrived at easily and required critical input from our families, PTO, Fairfax County public health officials, and of course the Diocese. It also required a committed, dedicated faculty to selflessly put our children and their well-being above all else while taking on new and expanded responsibilities. I cannot tell you how proud I am of each and every member of our team who worked tirelessly over the summer months to develop the safest reopening plan possible.

While it is wonderful to see this hard work now paying off, as one of the few schools in our region to reopen full time, St. Luke was compelled to commit significant additional resources to ensuring the safest learning environment possible for our students. From re-arranging classrooms for social distancing, to purchasing new sanitation stations throughout the school, to the desk shields purchased for each student, and most importantly-the hiring of additional faculty and staff to accommodate our growing needs, our reopening- while incredibly successful has generated unforeseen expenses we must account for as we continue to implement our long-term strategic plan.

The SLS Annual Fund is one of our most important calls to action each year. ***This year, our goal is to raise \$130,000.*** Funds raised from St. Luke families, grandparents, alumni, and parishioners provide critical operational support that bridges the gap between the actual cost of educating each student and what we charge in tuition. It also helps enable new investments in facilities, technology, safety, and importantly bringing our faculty salaries more in line with Fairfax County teachers.

While we typically have several fundraising events each school year, given the unpredictability posed by the pandemic, we are asking our St. Luke community to prioritize this campaign and give the maximum amount you are able to support this incredible reopening effort. The attached overview summarizes recommended giving levels and key details to facilitate your generous gift. While we understand not everyone can give the maximum amount, what is critically important is **100% St Luke family participation**. Let's show our students, faculty, administration, and all who give so much of themselves how much we care as a community of faith! Please join me, our Annual Fund Committee, and our PTO in the 2020-2021 **#ALL-IN** Annual Fund Campaign!

Yours in Christ,  
Tanya



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## HOW TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE ANNUAL FUND

**Are you ALL-IN?** Every Donation Counts. Our students, faculty and staff feel the direct benefits of these donations on a daily basis. Show your support by making a tax-deductible donation now!

Annual Fund Giving Levels	\$ Amount of Donation/Pledge
Wildcat Friend	Up to \$999
Wildcat Ambassador	\$1,000-\$2,499
Wildcat Benefactor	\$2,500-\$4,999
Wildcat Angel	\$5,000+

Donation Options	Donation Instructions
<b>One-time donation</b>	Click here to make a <b>one-time</b> donation online through Faith Direct by <a href="https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA516/25412">https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA516/25412</a>
<b>Recurring monthly donation</b>	Click here to make a <b>recurring monthly</b> donation online through Faith Direct: <a href="https://membership.faithdirect.net/enroll/choosegifts/VA516">https://membership.faithdirect.net/enroll/choosegifts/VA516</a>

**Note:** Donations to the Annual Fund can be made online through the Faith Direct websites noted above. You may also choose to make a payment by check. We kindly request that all checks be addressed to "St. Luke School" with "2020 Annual Fund" written in the memo line. All checks should be mailed into the school (7005 Georgetown Pike, McLean VA 22101) or dropped off at the Front Office.

### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES & QUESTIONS

- If you would like more information about the Annual Fund or to make an online donation please visit our website at <https://stlukeschool.com/annual-fund>
- For questions related to the 2020 Annual Fund Campaign, please contact Tanya Salewski at [tsalewski@stlukeschool.com](mailto:tsalewski@stlukeschool.com), or call 703-356-1508.