



**Endowed Scholarships** – Minimum of \$10,000 gift

**–Emil & Martha Bunek Endowed Family Fund**

Emil & Martha (O'Brien) Bunek, were members of the class of 1937, one of the last to graduate from the old wooden school. Throughout their lives they had generous hearts for the St. Mary Community. Their spirit of giving continues through their Family Fund, earmarked for teachers' salaries.

**–Cecelia (Hahnenberg) Bussey Professional Development Fund**

This fund was established in memory of Cecelia's ('26) who was our first lay teacher. Cecelia's eight children also graduated from St. Mary School. Proceeds provide opportunities for our staff to attend professional development classes or seminars to enhance and nurture their teaching skills.

**–Catherine Caraher Endowed Scholarship**

A dedicated proponent of Catholic education, Catherine left a major bequest to St. Mary School. Dr. Caraher taught at the University of Detroit, she was the chairperson of the History Department and Associate Dean of the Liberal Arts College. Her scholarship is for tuition assistance.

**–Joseph E. & Jeanne Deegan Endowed Scholarship**

In memory of Probate Judge Joseph Deegan, the county's longest-standing probate judge at the time of his death and his wife, Jeanne. As St. Mary School parents and parish members, they were faithful friends to St. Mary Church and School. This scholarship is for tuition assistance.

**–Pat & Patricia Gardner Endowed Scholarship**

Pat & Pat are both 1955 alumni and moved back to Lake Leelanau in 1999. Choosing to honor their faith & academic foundation, they are very active in St. Mary Church and School, serving in many areas on the campus. Their scholarship is designated for tuition assistance.

**–Edwin & Helen Hengelbrok Endowed Scholarship**

Ed & Helen are remembered by their son Ed, and his wife, Jean Henglebrok. Ed and Jean wanted to convey honor, respect, and gratitude to Ed's parents. The scholarship was created in September 2005 and is for tuition assistance.

**–Helen L. (Wolfe) & Bernard Jarabek Endowed Scholarship**

Bernie created this scholarship in memory of his beloved wife, Helen, a selfless wife and mother. Together they enjoyed Leelanau County summers. In keeping Helen's legacy alive, Bernie wanted to help the children of St. Mary School. The scholarship is for tuition assistance.

**–Ignatius & Pauline Jarabek Endowed Scholarship**

Bernie, their son, established this scholarship in memory of his parents. Ignatius & Pauline came to America as young children and met in Cleveland, Ohio, where their families settled. They moved north to Michigan following Pauline's parents and raised their family near Bridgeport. They were a very close, loving family. They raised six children with little money, keeping a strong Catholic influence on their children.

**–Sydney & Sheila Keeble Endowed Scholarship**

This scholarship was established with a generous estate gift from long time seasonal residents Sydney and Sheila. They were strong believers in Catholic education and generous donors. Their legacy continues with this scholarship for tuition assistance.

**–Richard & Sherry Koenig Endowed Scholarship**

Two very generous people, Dick & Sherry are parishioners of St. Mary Parish. Dick is a graduate of Purdue University and with three graduates attending Purdue, he knows St. Mary School is a worthy cause. The Koenigs are involved in the Northport Cultural Arts Center and are very supportive of our student actors as well. The scholarship is for tuition assistance.

**–Phil & Joan Korson Endowed Scholarship**

Phil & Joan (Couturier '52) Korson's scholarship was created through the memorial gifts received on behalf of Joan, who died in September 2010. Generously, family members, her classmates, and community members remembered Joan with a gift to the Endowment. The scholarship is for tuition assistance.

**–Urban & Alfreda LaCross Endowed Scholarship**

Urban & Alfreda (Fif) were lifetime members of St. Mary Parish. The two of them participated whole heartedly in many activities, Fif was an avid quilter and she sold raffle tickets until she reached 90 years old. Urban organized the annual cemetery cleanup and for the Chicken Dinner he was the head picnic table collector and Fif organized the Country Store. They are St. Mar School parents, grandparents and great grandparents, their scholarship is for tuition assistance.

**–Bill & Lynda Leugers Family Endowed Scholarship**

For over 75 years, the Leugers family has enjoyed Lake Leelanau as a second home, with St. Mary Parish welcoming them into the community. This fund is in celebration of the traditions and memories created here and is intended for tuition assistance.

**–Louis & Eunice Lingaur Endowed Scholarship**

Louis ('53) & Eunice ('50) have been lifetime members of St. Mary Parish. They are school parents, grandparents and great grandparents. Louie loved sports and coached basketball and Eunice is an avid quilter. As a historian Eunice heads up the archive department and has published a book titled "Faith our Common Thread" about the quilters and history of the school and church. Their scholarship is for tuition assistance.

**–Dr. Tom & Vi Plamondon Endowed Scholarship**

Dr. Tom ('38), remembering Vi (Bunek '37), became our first alumnus to establish an endowed scholarship. Dr. Tom was very supportive to their alma mater, was an avid sports fan, and was a member of the St. Mary 1938 winning basketball team. The scholarship is for tuition assistance.

**–Avery & Jane Rexroat Endowed Scholarship**

Avery & Jane (Schaub '43) Rexroat's scholarship was created by both a will and through donations from their family members. The scholarship was established in October 2008 and is for tuition assistance.

**–Jim & Gwen Rich Endowed Scholarship**

Jim & Gwen Rich established their scholarship in May of 2012. Jim & Gwen, with no children of their own, always felt they had 200 children, all of the students at St. Mary School. The scholarship is for tuition assistance.

**–Hugh & Peggy Schroeder Endowed Athletic Fund**

Hugh and Peggy were sports enthusiasts and grandparents to current students at St. Mary School. Their children created the scholarship in their memory to help fund athletics at St. Mary School.

**–Dr. John & Maureen Suelzer Endowed Scholarship**

Maureen established this scholarship in remembrance of Dr. John in December 2006. The two of them were very active in St. Mary Parish and School. This scholarship is for tuition assistance.

**–George & Jayne Thurner Endowed Scholarship**

This scholarship was established by their children to remember their father George and honor their mother, Jayne. Dynamic summer and fall residents of Leelanau County, George especially enjoyed hunting in the fall. The scholarship is for tuition assistance.

**–Jerome & Winifred Zeits Endowed Scholarship**

Jerome ('33) graduated from the old wooden school and married Winifred in 1940. They raised six children sending them all to St. Mary School. Their scholarship was created by their children and through memorial donations. This scholarship is for tuition assistance.