

## **What is expected of St. Brendan Parents in the 2016-2017 school year?**

### **School Fundraising**

Tuition only partially covers the actual cost of educating each student and therefore, parents agree to financially support their parish and participate in the school's Annual School Appeal and PTO Fundraising Contract.



### **The Annual School Appeal**

The Annual School Appeal (ASA) is run through the Development Office. The ASA contributes to the Fr. Mike Schmitt Tuition Assistance Fund, the Endowment Fund, and the school's operating budget, directly supporting students. The Annual School Appeal spans the entire school year, with periodic phases. In January/February, usually around Catholic Schools Week, alumni, alumni parents, and the St. Brendan Parish community are asked to donate to the Annual School Appeal. In February, as part of the upcoming year's enrollment & registration, parents are asked to make a pledge for the upcoming year. During the summer, friends of St. Brendan are asked to donate via the yearly newsletter, the Voyager. And starting September 1<sup>st</sup>, current school parents are asked to follow through on the pledge they made during the registration process by writing a check or using FACTS.

**2016-2017 Annual School Appeal Pledge forms will be sent home. Please return this pledge form by Thursday, February 11, 2016.**

**Your registration for 2016-2017 will be considered "complete" when all forms (including the ASA pledge form and the PTO contract) are returned to the school office.**

### **PTO Fundraising contract:**

School families are expected to give a minimum of 45 volunteer hours each year, AND (unless electing to "opt" out of fundraising by paying \$875) participate in the school fundraisers, specifically:

- Raise \$340 net to the school by participating in this year's auction, magazine drive, and/or the Gift Card Store.
- Procure or donate items valued at \$175 for the annual auction per the auction guidelines.
- Donate \$20 worth of home baked goods to the Holiday Craft Fair.

A fundraising brochure was developed a couple of years ago to help explain the differences between the Development fundraisers/community events and the PTO fundraisers. If you would like a brochure, please contact Brenda Fogliani at [brendaf@school.saintbrendan.org](mailto:brendaf@school.saintbrendan.org).

***Thank you for your support of St. Brendan Catholic School!***