

Our family has been blessed to be a part of the St. Monica School community for 12 years...and what an abundant blessing it has been!

Our children have received an outstanding education from a faculty and staff that is committed to every student. They have received an academic preparation second to none! Two of our children have graduated to area Catholic high schools. They were very well-prepared for the rigors of secondary education and they, themselves, comment on how St. Monica School (SMS) gave them an academic advantage.

Beyond that, and in our opinion, more importantly, they were nurtured and encouraged in so many other ways. The SMS community helped them grow in our faith. Religion is a vital part of the school's curriculum and is woven into all aspects of the school. Daily prayer, weekly Mass, service projects & mission experiences are all integral to learning at SMS. Children at SMS learn the morals and values that are key to being a good person. These values and behaviors are not just "taught," they are lived by the teachers and the other role models SMS children are with each day. Children truly learn by example.

In addition, our children have had many opportunities not always available at parochial schools. They have been on the school's basketball, volleyball & track teams. All three of our children have been members of the Student Council and our oldest son participated in Forensics. They have been members of Scouts, Altar Servers and have had numerous opportunities to participate in music and performing arts. Wow! And they haven't even been able to participate in all of the other extra-curricular activities offered at SMS!

The SMS community has been a rich blessing to us, as well. We have forged deep friendships with many other school parents and families. We have been able to share our family's life with loving and fun friends who share our values and support us in raising our children. We have celebrated together (often!) and have supported one another in times of sadness. Our faith has been deepened and our lives enriched by the people that make up this "school family".

There are not many school communities like that of St. Monica. It is truly very special. How blessed we were to become a part of it. We hope it will be a blessing in your life, as well.

Most sincerely,

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