

Merry Christmas from Lumen Christi Catholic School & High School!

We pray you experience the miracle of Jesus' birth this Christmas!



We Made It Through the First Semester!



Through much prayer and the dedication of our teachers and families, we actually had a wonderful fall semester at Lumen Christi. We started classes in-person in socially distanced classrooms, but in November the Indianapolis Mayor closed all schools and grades except for Kindergarten and Pre-K. Our Kindergarten and Pre-K classes continued to meet in person as usual, while our 1st grade – high school teachers demonstrated exceptional flexibility by creating assignments for remote learning as well as offering to meet with students in small, socially distanced study groups. We thank God we were able to effectively deliver our classical, Catholic curriculum to all of our students, concluding with a gathering in church for an Advent service, along with our traditional Advent Angels card exchange, on the last scheduled school day before Christmas break.

Why Do Parents Send Their Children to Lumen Christi?



Lumen Christi continues to bless our family in a myriad of ways. The classical curriculum, the independent structure, and dedicated faculty are all incredible assets that set Lumen Christi ahead of other schools. During a difficult year Lumen Christi has continued to deliver a Catholic centered education to its students. Joining Lumen Christi was easily one of the best decisions made by our family. The Catholic-centered classical education is in a league of its own. The faculty and staff are caring and kind. Our family has grown closer to Christ because of Lumen Christi.

Ashley & Andrew Wells, parents of 3 current and 2 future Lumen Christi students. Andrew is also a board member.

Where Are They Now? Maureen Collins, High School Class of 2010, is in Phoenix, AZ!



You may recognize my last name and, yes, I happen to be related to Bob and Mary Rose Collins. But my connection with Lumen Christi goes back long before my father became Headmaster. I began attending Lumen Christi as a seventh grader in 2004 and I returned as a sophomore in 2007 for the first year of the high school.

I owe so much to this school and to the wonderful and selfless teachers here (of course, this includes my mother). In a world where faith is a secondary consideration—if it's considered at all—and where students aren't taught how to think for themselves, I am so blessed to have had the education with which Lumen Christi provided me. The steady faith formation and critical thinking instilled in me at Lumen Christi have given me a firm foundation in Christ on which to build the rest of my life.

Since graduating from the high school in 2010, I've earned a B.A. in philosophy from The Catholic University of America and an M.A. in politics from Hillsdale College. I've been fortunate to work in many different places including on Capitol Hill and in the think tank world in Washington, D.C. Currently, I am based in Phoenix, Arizona, where I write communications copy for a non-profit law firm specializing in First Amendment cases.

I am grateful every day for the education that the parents, teachers, and parent teachers of Lumen Christi gave me.

Our overdue Introduction to 3rd Grade Teacher, Mrs. Dawn Sahn



By Allison Loiselle, originally published in the student newspaper, *The Bleat*

Mrs. Dawn Sahn is our new third-grade teacher, though she worked before here at Lumen Christi as the third-grade teacher when her sons attended Lumen Christi. Why did she decide to come back? She says, "Mrs. Dowell asked me to do it. I prayed about it — and then I wanted the job!" Welcome back, Mrs. Sahn!

There's still time to support our Year End Appeal! (Photos from 2019 Lessons and Carols)



Lumen Christi relies entirely on tuition and fundraising to meet the financial needs of our school. We depend on generous donors for 55% of our \$580,000 budget. If God is calling you to support Lumen Christi, please send in your check or donate online on our website LumenChristiSchool.org. And remember, thanks to the CARES act, even people who take the standard tax deduction will be able to additionally deduct up to \$300 in charitable contributions this year.

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God Bless, Ellen