MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

As I write this as introduction to the Annual Report of Assumption College for Sisters, I am struck with the fact that this little college, first known as Assumption Junior College, is celebrating its 66th birthday this year. So much has changed... and so much has stayed the same.

What has changed?
The wording of the mission statement, the location from Mendham to Denville, the succession of five college presidents, the composition of the student body from all Sisters of Christian Charity to that of fourteen religious congregations from twelve different countries, to name a few.

What has stayed the same?
The nature and mission of the College and its commitment to Catholicity and academic excellence!
In the landmark document, *Ex Corde Ecclesiae* (“From the Heart of the Church”) Pope St. John Paul II, in August of 1990, has cited essential characteristics of the Catholic university/college (#17):
- A Christian inspiration, not only of individuals but of the college community;
- A continuing reflection in the light of Catholic faith upon the growing treasury of human knowledge;
- A fidelity to the Christian message as it comes to us through the Church;
- An institutional commitment to the service of the people of God.

In August, 2018, faculty and trustees of ACS met to revise the wording (not the nature!) of the mission statement: “Impelled by Christ’s love, Assumption College for Sisters, through education and community, forms servant leaders who transforms lives. Teach a Sister...Touch the World!

As you enjoy the photos and captions in our Annual Report, I feel strongly that we are true to the nature of a Catholic institution and faithful to our mission.

I ask each of you to hold us in prayer as we continue to “Teach a Sister...Touch the World.”

Thank you for your support and be assured of a daily remembrance in our prayers.

Sincerely,

Sister Joseph Spring, SCC

PRESIDENT

MISSION STATEMENT

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## Financials

**Fiscal Year: July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019**

### Income:

- **76%** Fundraising
- **11%** Tuition
- **5%** Grants
- **2%** Scholarship Donations
- **6%** Other

### Expenses:

- **55%** Salaries & Benefits
- **12%** Advancement
- **4%** Technology
- **2%** Instructional Materials
- **18%** Facilities & Occupancy
- **9%** Other

## Governance

### Members

- Sister Mary Edward Spohrer, SCC Chair
- Sister Marlene Weitzel, SCC
- Sister Marie Pauline Demek, SCC
- Sister Joann Marie Aumand, SCC
- Sister Joseph Spring, SCC, President
- Anthony Sturla

### Board of Trustees

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- Angelo Sansano
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- Timothy Shea
- Stephanie Bennett-Smith, Ph.D.
- William Meisner, Ph.D.
ACS by the NUMBERS

Graduation Rate: 100%
Enrollment: 52

AA Degrees Awarded: 428
Since 1953

Certificates in Theological Studies Awarded: 49
Since 1995

2019 Graduates: AA or ARA Degree
2019 Graduates: Certificate in Theological Studies

Integrated Religious Formation
Leadership
Community
Service
Social Justice

Countries: 16
Communities: 15

Since 1953

Commuter Students, SDV - Sisters of Divine Vocation, and FSSE - Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth attend Orientation.

International Peace Day September 21st, is celebrated in the convent chapel for the purpose of fostering peace throughout the world.

Cornerstone women from St. Joseph Parish in Mendham are paired with the international residential students in our Sister to Sister program.

Sr. Joann Marie, SCC holds "Effective Leadership" seminar highlighting our mission to form servant leaders.

Students from ACS, St. Mary’s, St. Clement’s and other neighboring parishes join together to pray the rosary asking God, through the holy rosary, to save America and to return her to Judeo-Christian values.
November

Thanksgiving Vespers with Sisters and friends is followed with a reception.

December

Mr & Mrs Robert Sameth treat ACS to a fun filled day in NYC which included attending the Christmas Spectacular at Radio City Music Hall, Rockefeller Center and St. Patrick’s Cathedral.

January

Students represent Assumption College for Sisters at the 45th Annual March for Life, Pro Life Rally in Washington, DC.

Giving Thanks for GIVING TUESDAY. We are able to purchase a new commercial grade refrigerator as well as stock it!

Outpouring of generosity from St. Joseph’s Parish, Mendham. Julia and Christian Shammas give Christmas presents to the students.

Long Valley Columbiettes bring gifts of household supplies and personal items.
At ACS, New Year (Tet) wishes are exchanged (chúc mừng năm mới) “lucky money”, wrapped in red envelopes, hang on handmade trees.

Sr. Barbara Connell, Sr. Mary Canavan, and Sr. Regina Neary share the life and spirituality of Blessed Miriam Teresa. The Sisters visit the Legacy Room and pray by the relics of Blessed Miriam Teresa.

Volunteers from Morris Catholic High School assist ACS Trustees in beautifying the campus.

En101 class tour Sacred Heart Basilica, Newark, with veteran docent, Mr. Patrick Pontoriero, who said the basilica is "an expression in architecture and art of the faith which is its foundation".

ACS students join Sisters of Christian Charity in their annual Run for a Nun fundraising event.

Father Demetrius Thomas, OSB of St. Mary’s Abbey gives Church History Class a tour of the Abbey and a presentation on Benedictine Spirituality.
The Year Ahead....

- Thanksgiving Vespers  Nov. 17, 2019
- Giving Tuesday       Dec. 3, 2019
- Annual Appeal        December, 2019
- Caring Basket Gala   March 26, 2020
- Graduation           May 9, 2020

Caring Basket Gala
March 26, 2020

The Hanover Marriott
Whippany, NJ