

## Give Back and Impact Roman

Every gift made, regardless of the size, truly makes an impact and allows our students to flourish.

## Ways to make an Impact for Roman...

**Impact Online:** Gifts can be made online through a secure server. Visit [www.romancatholichs.com/donate](http://www.romancatholichs.com/donate) and make an impact at any time.

**Impact by Mail:** Cash, Checks, and Credit Card gifts can always be made by direct mail. Checks can be made out to "Roman Catholic High School" and mailed to 301 N. Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA, 19107.

**Impact by Telephone:** Gifts can be made over the phone via credit card by calling (215)-627-5487.

**Double your Impact:** Match your gift! Many companies offer matching gift policies that can double (or more) a contribution made to Roman by one of its employees. Check with your human resources department or the Office of Advancement to find out if your employer will match your gift.

**Plan your Impact:** There are a variety of estate and planned giving opportunities, including gifts of securities, bequests, retirement assets, charitable trusts, insurance, IRA rollovers, stocks and annuities, retained life estate and other assets.

**Sustain your Impact:** Decide how much you want to contribute and your bank will automatically deduct your gift from your account on a monthly basis. A modest gift given every month can equal a significant gift by year's end.

**EITC / OSTC Program:** Pennsylvania's Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) and Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit (OSTC) programs allow businesses and individuals to direct the monies they pay in taxes to go towards providing financial aid and scholarships for Roman students. It is easy to apply!

Contact the Office of Advancement, (215)-627-5487; to learn more about all of the ways you can make an impact!



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# THE ROMAN FUND

## Why I give...



### Matthew Cinque '96

I was introduced to Roman as a 7th grader at St. Matthew School in Mayfair by a family friend and Roman alumnus named Gene Murray '46. Mr. Murray never missed an opportunity to tout the great tradition of Roman. He had helped to save Roman from closing in the mid-eighties and never stopped fighting to

secure its future. I give to the Roman Fund to continue the legacy of alumni like Mr. Murray and ensure that as many young men as possible have the same opportunity to gain the education and experience that only a melting pot like Roman can provide.

## Who you impact...



### Giovanni Tecce '19

Roman has and will always have a special place in my heart. This school has turned a suburban grade school kid into a young man who is ready for the next chapter of his life. I have had so many incredible experiences at Roman: reigning victorious at the Palestra, Living the Fourth, being taught by the dedicated faculty, muddy

days at River Field, and even the chicken patties! All of these unique memories have made a lasting impact on my life.

An added bonus has been having my younger brother Julian by my side for three of my four years at Catholic High. We come from your average middle-class family, so paying for two Catholic school tuitions can be a struggle. With the help of the benefactors to Roman, both my brother and I have been fortunate enough to receive scholarships and financial aid. This assistance has taken an immense burden off my family's shoulders. People may feel that their donation simply knocks some money off a student's tuition, but it really is much more than that. When you give, you provide a young man the opportunity to truly make the most of all Roman Catholic has to offer. Great young men walk through the halls of Broad and Vine every day, and by giving to the Roman Fund, you help a legacy continue. Thank you!

## Why we need your help...

One of the biggest surprises for our alumni is the cost of tuition today. As the chart shows, previous to 1967, attending Roman was absolutely FREE! Over the years, there has been a steady, substantial increase in tuition. This is due to many factors, such as the decline in the number of priests, and religious brothers and sisters who used to staff our schools. Additionally, in the past, parishes were assessed a fee for every one of their students enrolled in a Catholic High School. That assessment was phased out several years ago. Our families are now responsible to bear the entire cost of educating their son.

The Administration at Roman does their best to keep expenses in check and our Office of Advancement has worked tirelessly to raise additional sources of income. Yet, as a diocesan school, Roman has always been required to charge the tuition amount set by the Office of Catholic Education.

That is why your support of the Roman Fund is so critical. Think about the tuition your parents paid for you, and what we ask of our parents today. Would you possibly consider helping them out? All monies donated to the Roman Fund help us help our students remain at Roman.

Year	Average Tuition Cost
1967	\$20.00 (actual)
1970-1979	\$373.00
1980-1989	\$1,054.00
1990-1999	\$2,567.00
2000-2009	\$4,087.00
2018	\$7,550.00 (actual)