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ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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In this, is Love: not that we have loved God,
but that He loved us ...

With age, it seems to me, nostalgia is more easily prompted than in my youth. Little things are enough. Recently I heard a Frank Sinatra song and well ... Growing up in a Polish/Italian-American home where we listened to the Happy Louie and others on the Polka station on Saturday morning and Jerry Vale and other Italian singers on Sunday afternoons, you will not find it bizarre then, that we were no strangers to *Fridays with Frank* and *Sundays with Sinatra*. (And to think, this was all before FM.) Thus, in my early college years, I fell in love with Sinatra's rendition of "You and Me," a song composed by Peter Allen featuring Carole Bayer Sager's lyrics. It was the music that drew me in, at first; I did not pay much attention to the lyrics. But, when I did ... I could not believe how such beautiful music could be the setting for such depressing lyrics. The song goes:

***You and me, we wanted it all we wanted it all;
Passion without pain, sunshine without rainy days. We
wanted it always.***

***You and me, we reached for the sky, the limit was high;
Never giving in, certain we could win that prize; I should have
seen it in your eyes.***

***Look how all our dreams came true; See how I've got me and,
baby, you've got you.***

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Through it all, just one thing died; A little thing called love, something deep inside.

You and me, we're not like the rest, we once were the best; Back when we were dumb. How did we become so smart; And learn to break each other's heart?

Look how all our dreams came true; See how I've got me, baby, you've got you.

Through it all, just one thing died; A little thing called love, something deep inside.

You and me, we're not like the rest, we once were the best; But look what we became! Isn't it a cryin' shame; That we almost made it?

But we wanted it all! Baby, you and me, We wanted it all!



Despite the conflict this created, my analytical mind would ... could not let it go. Listening to it over and over, reading the text repeatedly, and driving my friends crazy; (I remember one of my classmates, Kitty, saying; "Why can't you just listen to a song or watch a movie and enjoy it?") it became like a meditation on the rest of my life. At the time, I was attending St. Mary's College in Orchard Lake, Michigan, a small four-year co-educational Liberal Arts college with a Program of Priestly Formation, in which I was enrolled. I was young, ambitious with gifts and talents that were being appreciated and encouraged. I was studying philosophy and understanding it and involved in student government and drama department; in a word, I wanted it all and success was palpable. More than ambitious, however, at the core of my being, I was a hopeless romantic and the lyrics kept challenging me with the reality that a selfish pursuit of "my" dreams would yield success ... but at a cost: "Through it all, just one thing died, a little thing called love, something deep inside." No little thing at all ... love ... my soul, my very self. That was too high a cost and too lonely a life. So, you may be asking, "What purpose has this musical journey through his nostalgia have to do with a message in the Saint Andrew School Alumni Newsletter?"



In many ways, this song is a metaphor for life. The beautiful music almost carries us away to the point that we do not accept the full reality of the song and then when we finally apprehend the meaning of the lyrics, it may already be too late. As personal as my story may have been, is it really that different from your own. In the spring of our lives, don't we all want it all and don't most of us feel the confidence to pursue it? And yet, do we pursue a reality that is only partial: passion without pain, sunshine without the rainy days? Aren't we too naïve, at times, to think that we can fashion reality according to our perception of reality, rather than yielding to the objective truth that IS?

Those of us blessed with the discipline of a Catholic upbringing and the opportunity of a Catholic education are often confronted with realities that challenge our perspective of reality. And, we are challenged by the mystery of faith ... we scoff, we resist, we reject, we ignore ... but, aren't they always with us in that secret core of our conscience? Aren't they always present reminding us of whence we came and, as we get older, remind us to where we may be heading?

In the midst of all that the contemporary world provides and the standards of success it promotes, we have a grave responsibility to prepare our kids for their future. Let's face it, there is so much out there trying to snare them ... and some of it is pure evil. We must, therefore, provide them with the tools and spiritual references that will allow them to cut through the addictive nonsense and seductive lies that vie for their attention – lies that convince them to selfishly pursue dreams that will leave them one day saying: "Look how all our dreams came true; See how I've got me and, baby, you've got you. Through it all, just one thing died; a little thing called love, something deep inside."

While at times I feel as if I am a voice crying out in the desert or a reed swaying in the wind, I have committed my life, nonetheless, to announce the Good News: God is with us and God loves us. There are times in life that we are overwhelmed by poverty, temptations, struggles, suffering or evil, in ourselves or others. But then again, if Jesus, who is God, freely and lovingly chose to experience the poverty of Bethlehem, the temptations in the desert, the aloneness and struggle of Gethsemane and the horror of Calvary ... should I not realize that He has been there and that I am not alone? Thus, the mission of Catholic education is ever more crucial today than it was ever before.

So again, I appeal to your generosity and your desire to provide a better future for our young brothers and sisters, to support the on-going work of Saint Andrew School. Your gift sustains our efforts to provide them with a firm footing and a confirming encouragement to build a culture of life and a civilization of love through faith and knowledge. And, despite the howling reproaches against Christianity, we provide them, by our example and prayer the stamina and courage to carry on in the long tradition of giving witness to the Presence of God in the passing world; to the reality of eternity in history; to love in the midst of violence and hatred. This is the transformative power that we cannot lose in pursuit of our dreams ... at any cost! "In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent His only Son into the world so that we might have life through Him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as expiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also must love one another. No one has ever seen God. Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us, and His love is brought to perfection in us." (1 John 4:9-12)



Photo by Sarah Webb

Msgr. Kevin J. Keane



Editor's Note:

As this edition of the SAS Alumni Newsletter goes to print, the Philadelphia Eagles have won their first Super Bowl – AT LAST! – after 52 years. It was a feel good event on so many levels – for the players, coaches and the fans. And when was the last time you heard an NFL head coach say at the Lombardi Trophy presentation – "I can only give the praise to my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for giving me this opportunity..."? In the locker room after the ceremony, Coach Doug Pederson asked his team to take a knee one last time and join him in prayer – the *Our Father*. Good News, indeed. Truly Awesome!



From the Principal

Recent conversations with parents of students I had long ago have caused me to pause and wonder what it is that draws people like us together. For the most part, these conversations have taken place after Mass at St. Andrew the Apostle Church. Over the years there have been many such conversations

where the parents are proud to say how well their adult children are navigating life. In some instances, I've been asked to pray for special concerns. These encounters always make me smile; for although many years have passed, there is still a connection.



Not long ago, Mrs. Lusch let me know how well Jennifer, Tom and Frankie were all doing. She even made sure I knew Robby Muller was a doctor! A few weeks later Maria Puciata and her sister, Hanna Szyrmer asked if I might join them for coffee. Mrs. Szyrmer was visiting from her homeland of Poland. Nearly thirty years ago, she and her family lived in Drexel Hill while her husband taught economics at the University of Pennsylvania. While here, their children Lukasz, Magdalena and Paulina attended Saint Andrew School. Later, Maria's children Anna, Sophie and Julia would also attend.

Rather than coffee, we met for dinner. The evening was relaxed and filled with conversation about our children, their days at Saint Andrew School, the value of Catholic education, and the Universal Church. We covered a lot of ground in just two hours! Whereas the adult children in my extended family are scattered across the US, Hanna's family is represented on almost all the continents of the world! This led to a discussion on the beauty of the Universal Church. In her years as an immigrant in a variety of countries, Hanna found the Catholic Church to be her anchor and solace. There she would meet people who believed as she did in the need for God, and who shared her core values; there is comfort in that. How amazing it is that there are others who believe as we do all throughout the world!

These musings have brought me to understand more fully the meaning of the Catholic Worldview that is one of the defining characteristics of Catholic schools. Our belief in Jesus causes us to see things a little differently. Our students are taught they are meant to be good because they are His! God created them to be the good in the world. I am delighted to know so many of our graduates are just that-- the good in the world! This I know because their parents have told me so. It has been, and it remains, an honor and a privilege to share in the education of God's people. Together we build the Church. Together we build a culture of Life and a civilization of Love through faith and knowledge.

Helen McLean

Class Notes

"It is the bonds that develop over the elementary school years that link alumni for life."

Kathleen Hutchinson Lamay '50

It's hard to believe how many years have passed. How well I remember 1st grade in the little house across from the church on School Lane and then the rest of the years in the BIG school. I am a widow now but am blessed with 6 living children, 12 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. Thanks be to God!

Camp Hill, PA

Paul Crawford, '53

Just retired after 50 years of practicing law (Patent Law). Vividly recall Sister (??) saying that when I became a good writer, I should remember that she gave me my start! Probably was Sister Cecilia or Sister Grace Margaret.

Wilmington, DE

James Burke '56

Two recent grandkids – "Silas" to Jeremy and Laura (Burke) Stutzman (Class of 1993) in Baltimore MD and "Bobby" to Matt '95 and Stephanie Burke in Valhalla, NY

Drexel Hill, PA

Robert C. Ninni '59

Recently retired as a school teacher.

Landenberg, PA

Carolyn C. Hoover, '60

Just had fun with Mary Regan (1960) and Jane Halderman (1960). Jane celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary!

Hayes, VA

Kathleen Thomas Giuliano '68

Wonderful teachers like Sister Chrysostom (grades 6, 7 & 8) and Sister Alma Christie (4th grade)

Broomall, PA

Marie Horn MacCrory '68

Retired – new grandparent.

Springfield, PA

Karen Matthews '71

Great School!

Lansdowne, PA

Monica Hilferty Hogan '01

Married Bob Hogan from St. Dot's Class of 2000 on December 1, 2017 at St. Dorothy Church. I promise SAS has a special place in my heart despite the parish / school rivalry! ☺

Drexel Hill, PA

In Memoriam



Mary Regina Breithaupt Ferri, '49

I want to let you know that my mother passed away on March 22, 2017. She was 81 years old and lived a very fulfilling life. This included her time at Saint Andrew School and many years afterwards as an alumna. She had told my siblings and me many stories about her experiences at Saint Andrew School and stories about her classmates. I am including a donation to Saint Andrew School that I know my mother would like to be made in her memory.

John F. Ferri, Jr.

Beloved wife of the late John F. and loving mother of John F., Jr. (Lisarose), Matthew J. (Colleen), Theresa Marie Shubin and Cecelia A. Catando (Bruce, O.D.). Also survived by her 6 cherished grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. She was a member of the St. Pius X Parish for over 56 years. She helped in many ways at the church including making baptismal robes and working as a sacristy aide. She also tutored math and reading at the school, and even did some substitute teaching in an emergency.



Lead. Learn. Proclaim. Awards

Recognizes Outstanding Catholic School Educators

The NCEA has a longstanding tradition of honoring and recognizing excellence and distinguished service in Catholic school education across the nation. The NCEA recently announced the 2018 honorees of the third annual Lead – Learn – Proclaim - Awards that recognize the outstanding efforts, contributions, and achievements on behalf of Catholic school education.

At the 11:00 am Sunday Mass on January 28, 2018 (the start of Catholic Schools Week), it was announced to our parish community that both Msgr. Albin J. Grous, Pastor and Helen McLean, Principal have been recognized by the NCEA as recipients of the 2018 Lead – Learn – Proclaim - Award. The awards will be presented at a special dinner during the NCEA's 2018 Annual Convention & Expo on April 3rd in Cincinnati, Ohio.

In her remarks announcing these awards, Sister Edward William Quinn, IHM Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's Office of Catholic Education, recognized Saint Andrew School as one of the top parochial schools in the Archdiocese while noting the uniqueness of having both the pastor and the principal achieving this distinguished award in the same year. Joining Sister Edward Quinn in congratulating both recipients was Dr. Andrew M. McLaughlin, Secretary for Elementary Education for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.



Photo by Sarah Webb

Both Helen and Monsignor were interviewed by *CatholicPhilly.com* writer Lou Baldwin. His article was posted on their website and is included below along with photos from the January 28th Mass by Sarah Webb (her photo slide show is available at: <http://catholicphilly.com/2018/01/photo-features/across-the-aisles-st-andrew-parish-drexel-hill/>).

Pastor, principal awarded for unique plan to revive school

By: Lou Baldwin
Photos by Sarah Webb

Each year at the National Catholic Educational Association's convention, a highlight is the presentation of the "Lead. Learn. Proclaim." awards which, despite the unusual punctuation, really are a big deal. The awards are given for "Outstanding efforts, contributions and achievements on behalf of Catholic school education."

This year's awards, which will be presented on April 3 at the NCEA convention in Cincinnati, will honor 26 individuals or groups involved in Catholic elementary and secondary school education.



Photo by Sarah Webb

An unusual distinction this year is five of those national awards will go to educators in one diocese – Philadelphia. Only two other dioceses saw multiple recipients, Chicago and Cincinnati, which received two each. Of the five Philadelphia awardees two are from a single parish: St. Andrew, Drexel Hill. Msgr. Albin J. Grous, the pastor, and Helen McLean, the principal, received separate awards.

McLean, who has been at St. Andrew her entire teaching career and principal since 2006, credits Msgr. Grous for turning the school around. "He came here in 2008 when we had dwindling numbers and the school was in disrepair," she said. "He spoke to his pastoral council and finance committee and asked if they wanted the school and they said, 'Yes.' He said 'OK, we will work on it.'"



SAS student Emily McFadden speaks about Catholic Schools Week to the congregation at Mass.

If there was an initiative the school wanted, whether it was a science lab or the *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd*, the pastor found the financial means to support it, McLean said.

It took a couple of years for results to show and enrollment bottomed at 235 in 2009. But as smaller graduating classes were replaced by larger new admissions, the school took off. Every year since 2009 has seen an increase and presently it stands at 425, with expectations of continued growth for next year. At this



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point the school is running out of space and is conducting a capital campaign to build a new addition.

Now every grade has gone from one classroom to two except for the eighth grade, whose students were the last first graders to enter during the lean years. Next year, the eighth grade will also have two classrooms. “Our pastor will tell you he just shed the light on the good things that were here already, but he made all the difference in the world,” McLean said. She also cites good, solid programs and support from parents and teachers.

“We are financially responsible and I think a lot of credit is due to what the school has done by being strong in Catholic identity and academic excellence,” Msgr. Grous said. As a pastor he has to have a team he can trust and he has that, he added. Saint Andrew School charges a uniform tuition of \$3,675 for the first child, and descending rates for the second or third and none thereafter, with financial aid available for families who cannot afford it.

A unique feature of the tuition plan is that it is the same whether the parents contribute to the church collection, go to church or are even non-Catholic. This may seem counterintuitive, but Msgr. Grous maintains it is not. The proof is as enrollment has increased the parish subsidy has decreased from about 25 percent to 8 percent this year. “Empty seats do not earn revenue,” Msgr. Grous said. “It is good business practice. If I have empty seats, I am not going to fill them at a premium charge to non-Catholics just to fill them. The student body does not determine the Catholicity of the school. The school does, the pastor does and the family does.



Photo by Sarah Webb



Photo by Sarah Webb

“For me,” Msgr. Grous said, “the primacy of the Lord is paramount. If we try to imitate the public schools, we are not going to make it. We are unapologetically Catholic. We have to take some responsibility for the lack of catechesis of the parents, and they are coming back. Even if we talk about 30 or 40 or 50 percent who are not donating, they are looking for a good school for their children and we are providing that. It can be a good point for catechesis and re-evangelization. You have to see that as what it is and use it as a way to reach people.”

Other “Lead. Learn. Proclaim.” awardees in the Philadelphia Archdiocese are Sister Margaret Rose Adams, I.H.M., principal of Queen of Angels Regional School in Willow Grove; Colin Hueston, chairman of the board of SS. Peter and Paul School in West Chester and Margaret Egan, principal; and Patricia Vernot, a teacher at St. Veronica School, Philadelphia.



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Left to right:

- Dr. Andrew M. McLaughlin
- Msgr. Albin J. Grous
- Helen McLean
- Sister Edward William Quinn, IHM





fuTuRe CiTy COMPETITION

The mission of the DiscoverE Future City Competition is to provide a fun and exciting educational engineering program for middle school students that combines a stimulating engineering challenge with a "hands-on" application to present their vision of a city of the future.

The Philadelphia Regional Future City Competition is a 501.c.3 educational outreach program of DiscoverE. It is one of 39 regional programs conducted throughout the country with the goal of introducing middle school students to the engineering profession. The Future City Program continues to be on the National Association of Secondary School Principals' National Advisory List of Student Contests and Activities.



The Philadelphia Regional Competition draws schools from Philadelphia and surrounding counties including the Lehigh Valley, Southern New Jersey and Delaware. Students from middle schools and after school programs in the region form teams consisting of 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students who work with a teacher and an engineer mentor from September to January.

On Saturday, January 20th, Saint Andrew School competed in the 2018 Future City Competition at Archbishop Carroll High School. Thirty-nine public and non-public middle school teams participated in the all-day event. Saint Andrew placed in the **TOP SIX** schools and was awarded Honorable Mention in addition to an award for the Most Creative Model Material sponsored by Hunter Roberts Construction Group, LLC. The team was coached by teacher Amanda Hughes, and parent volunteers, Kristine Kearns Dolceamore and Jeffrey Roken.







Turning your PA Income Taxes into SAS Tuition Assistance

For years, businesses and corporations could avail themselves of a special PA tax credit program that was unavailable to the average employee / tax-payer with simply W2 income. **Until NOW!**

A recent change in the law now allows individual PA taxpayers to participate in Pennsylvania's EITC / OSTC tax credit program. PA has expanded the definition of a business to now include a **Special Purpose Entity (SPE)**. A SPE's sole and only purpose is to allow individuals' PA personal tax liabilities to flow through it so that these individuals can now participate in the EITC / OSTC program and support the school(s) of their choice. The individual simply becomes a member of the SPE which makes the actual application to the state.



Over the years, Saint Andrew School has been the beneficiary of scholarship funds from the Business Leaders Organized for Catholic Schools (BLOCS) scholarship organization and The Foundation for Catholic Education. The funds from these scholarship organizations are made through the donations of businesses in return for a **90% tax credit** on their PA tax return (two year commitment). To illustrate, if a business owed PA \$10,000 in

income taxes, it would make a donation to a scholarship organization in the amount of \$10,000 with instructions to direct the gift to Saint Andrew School. They would receive a **\$9,000 tax credit** – reducing their PA tax bill to just \$1,000. What's more, the company could then deduct the donation as a charitable gift on their Federal Tax return.

How does it work for an individual?

- An individual who wishes to support Saint Andrew School becomes a member of the SPE of the Foundation for Catholic Education by making a two-year commitment to fund / participate in their SPE.
 - Simply refer to Line 12 of your PA-40 - PA Income Tax Return to determine your likely level of tax liability. Your donation can equal your likely tax liability or be a portion of the total – it's your decision.
 - Once the SPE's application has been accepted by PA, members write a check for their 1st year commitment to the SPE – usually due in early December.
- The SPE will then receive tax credits equal to 90% of the donation amount. These tax credits will be distributed to each member on a K-1 form (in late February /early March) according to each member's % interest in the SPE.
- These credits can then be applied to your PA tax liability under PA Schedule SP. It's that simple!

Note: Since July 1 is the SPE application deadline, please consider participating in this SPE Program in the spring of 2018. (Please contact Steve Litz, SAS Business Manager, to obtain the simple one-page form to participate – 610-259-1169 or businessmanager@standrewdh.com)

To illustrate, the current PA personal income tax rate is 3.07% of taxable income. If an individual or couple had a combined taxable income of \$100,000, they would owe the PA Department of Revenue \$3,070. If the individual (or couple) made a \$2,500 donation to the Foundation for Catholic Education/SPE, it would reduce their taxes to PA by \$2,250 (90% tax credit based on a donation of \$2,500 and a two year commitment). That \$2,500 would then be redirected to Saint Andrew School in the form of tuition assistance for qualified (based on income) families. Your PA Income tax form would look like the illustration below:

State Tax form with an EITC/OSTC Contribution

PA-40 2018 1500210057

START Social Security Number (shown first)
123-45-6789 Name(s) Friends of Saint Andrew School

12. PA Tax Liability. Multiply Line 11 by 3.07 percent (0.0307).	12. 3,070.00
13. Total PA Tax Withheld. See the instructions.	13. 0.00
14. Credit from your 2014 PA Income Tax return.	14.
15. 2015 Estimated Installment Payments. Fill in oval if including Form REV-459B.	15.
16. 2015 Extension Payment.	16.
17. Nonresident Tax Withheld from your PA Schedule(s) NRK-1. (Nonresidents only)	17.
18. Total Estimated Payments and Credits. Add Lines 14, 15, 16 and 17.	18. 0.00
ESTIMATED TAX PAID	
Tax Forgiveness Credit, submit PA Schedule SP 19a. Filing Status: <input type="radio"/> Unmarried or Separated <input type="radio"/> Married <input type="radio"/> Deceased 19b. Dependents, Part B, Line 2, PA Schedule SP.	
20. Total Eligibility Income from Part C, Line 11, PA Schedule SP.	20. 2,250.00
21. Tax Forgiveness Credit from Part D, Line 16, PA Schedule SP.	21.
22. Resident Credit. Submit your PA Schedule(s) G-L and/or RK-1.	22.
23. Total Other Credits. Submit your PA Schedule OC.	23. 2,250.00
24. TOTAL PAYMENTS and CREDITS. Add Lines 13, 18, 21, 22 and 23.	24. 2,250.00
25. USE TAX. Due on internet, mail order or out-of-state purchases. See the instructions.	25.
26. TAX DUE. If the total of Line 12 and Line 25 is more than Line 24, enter the difference here.	26. 820.00
27. Penalties and Interest. See the instructions for additional information. Fill in oval if including Form REV-1630/REV-1630A.	27.
28. TOTAL PAYMENT DUE. See the instructions.	28. 820.00
29. OVERPAYMENT. If Line 24 is more than the total of Line 12, Line 25 and Line 27 enter the difference here. The total of Lines 30 through 36 must equal Line 29.	29.
30. Refund - Amount of Line 29 you want as a check mailed to you. REFUND	30.
31. Credit - Amount of Line 29 you want as a credit to your 2016 estimated account.	31.
DONATIONS	
32. Refund donation line. Enter the organization code and donation amount. See the instructions.	32.
33. Refund donation line. Enter the organization code and donation amount. See the instructions.	33.
34. Refund donation line. Enter the organization code and donation amount. See the instructions.	34.
35. Refund donation line. Enter the organization code and donation amount. See the instructions.	35.
36. Refund donation line. Enter the organization code and donation amount. See the instructions.	36.

**\$2,500
EITC/OSTC
Contribution to
the Foundation**

**Taxes Paid
to the State**

Remember, you don't need to own a business or have \$100,000 in taxable income to participate in the Foundation's Special Purpose Entity (SPE). [Suggested minimum donation \$1,000] Please contact Judi Neeld, Director of Development for the Foundation, for additional information or to answer any questions to may have about their SPE. Judi can be reached at 610-793-8503 or by email at jneeld@foundationforcatholiceducation.org. Remember to direct your gift to Saint Andrew School.



St. Andrew the Apostle Parish *Gift of Faith – Legacy of Love Capital Campaign*



Gift Summary Report (as of January 31, 2018)

**Amount
Pledged**

**Amount
Collected**

\$1,452,134.22 \$892,595.19



Percentage Raised Relative to Minimum Goal	48%
Percentage Participation Among All Households	21%
Percentage Participation Among Contributing Households	46%
Total Number of Donors (to date - through January 31, 2018)	351

Campaign activity continues as the Committee focuses on SAS Alumni, Foundations, the business community, school families and the remaining members of our faith community who have not yet been contacted. We have added a full-time Director of Advancement, Nichole Williams, who will lead this campaign to a successful conclusion and eventually transition to assisting both the parish and school with their development initiatives.

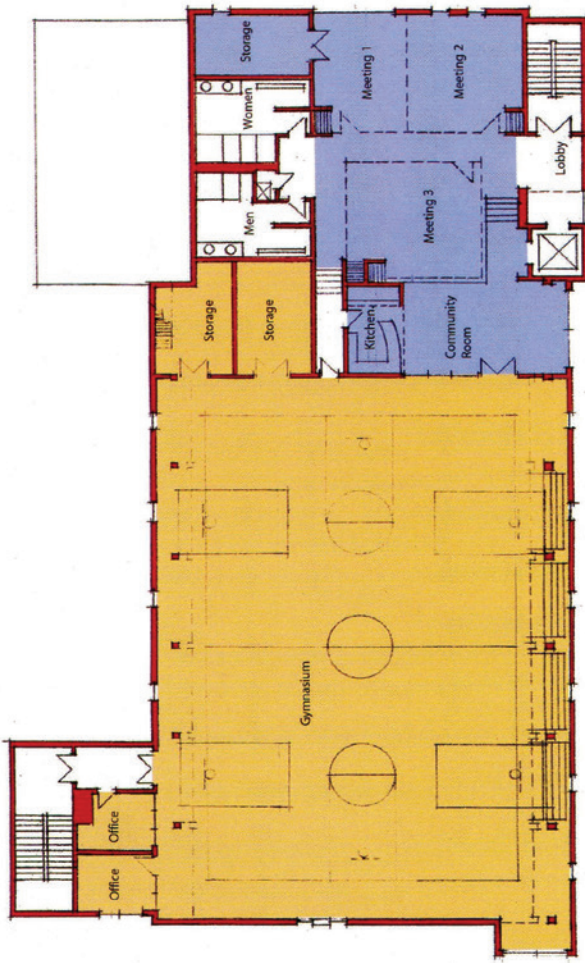
There are much stronger economic indicators today than when we started this Campaign in October 2015 when the Dow Jones Industrial Average opened the month at 16,278. Nine quarters later, the DJIA closed at 26,149 on January 31, 2018 – **up 9,871 points or 61%**. Fueling this market is the prospect for a growing economy, lower business and individual tax rates and the prospect of lower operating costs through a reduced regulatory burden. Hopefully, this will translate into a greater willingness to share this prosperity with a noble and important initiative like our Parish Center and Gymnasium Project. Every gift matters!



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GIFT OF FAITH - LEGACY OF LOVE
Proposed Parish Center and Gymnasium Addition
Saint Andrew the Apostle Parish
Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania





Building Gift Opportunities

Parish Center \$ 2,000,000
Parish Gymnasium \$ 1,000,000

Parish Activity Center Opportunities

Elevator \$ 100,000
Gym Flooring \$ 100,000
Community Room \$ 50,000
Community Rm. Concession Kitchen \$ 50,000
Meeting Rooms (3) \$ 50,000 (each)
Bleachers \$ 50,000
Gymnasium Offices (2) \$ 25,000 (each)
Storage Rooms (2) \$ 25,000 (each)
Gymnasium Windows (10) \$ 10,000 (each)
Main Basketball Hoops/Nets (2) \$ 5,000 (each)
Gym Equipment (balls, nets, etc.) \$ 5,000
Side Basketball Hoops/Nets (4) \$ 3,000 (each)

GIFT OF MATCH
LEGACY OF LOVE



I/We wish to support the Capital Campaign with a three-year pledge as follows:

Total Gift \$ _____ **Today's Payment \$** _____ **Balance Due \$** _____

Special Purpose/Instructions

Payable: ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Semi-Annually ☐ Annually

Method of Payment: ☐ Cash/Check ☐ Electronic Funds Transfer / Credit Card ☐ Other

Does your company match gifts? ☐ No ☐ Yes

All gifts are payable over three years unless otherwise indicated. Pledges are voluntary and not legally binding.

Thank you for your support.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Company Name _____

Gift	Initial Gift	Monthly	Per Day
\$1,000,000	\$100,000	\$25,000	\$821.92
\$500,000	\$50,000	\$12,500	\$410.96
\$250,000	\$25,000	\$6,250	\$205.48
\$100,000	\$10,000	\$2,500	\$82.19
\$50,000	\$5,000	\$1,250	\$41.10
\$25,000	\$2,500	\$625	\$20.55
\$15,000	\$1,500	\$375	\$12.33
\$10,000	\$1,000	\$250	\$8.22
\$5,000	\$500	\$125	\$4.11
\$3,000	\$300	\$75	\$2.47



Special Announcement

The Verna Family Scholarship

in honor of Bob and Marie Verna

Saint Andrew School, Drexel Hill, PA

With profound esteem for and heartfelt gratitude to their parents, Bob and Marie Verna, Marie, Gloria, Dorothy, Paul and Thomas, all graduates of Saint Andrew School, together with their families wish to establish this scholarship to honor their parents and as a way of giving back and “paying forward” for the solid Catholic formation and academic foundation they received at Saint Andrew School.

Each year, beginning in the fall of the 2018-2019 school year, the Verna family will choose two (2) students from the fifth grade, who meet the criteria listed below, and provide each recipient a \$2,000.00 scholarship toward their 6th grade tuition at Saint Andrew School, which will continue each consecutive year, if the student maintains the standards set (to be reviewed annually).

Bob and Marie taught their children to strive for excellence in their chosen vocations without forgetting the essential values of God, Family, Church, Academics, Loyalty, and genuinely being present to and for each other. These ideals inspire the criteria for receiving this scholarship and the benchmarks set to maintain it.



Mrs. Marie Verna, Dorothy Verna Burleson, and Paul & Maria Verna



Eligibility for application and maintenance of the Scholarship:

- ❖ Fifth Grade Student* at Saint Andrew School with a minimum of a B average
- ❖ Parishioner of St. Andrew the Apostle Parish
- ❖ Attends Sunday Mass
- ❖ Actively involved in the Parish and School Community
- ❖ Presentation (essay, power-point, artistic expression) of what Saint Andrew School means to them.

(*Students initially apply for the scholarship in the fifth grade. Scholarship is applied to the tuition during the sixth, seventh and eighth grade years.)

The recipients of the **Verna Family Scholarship** award for the 2017-2018 school year are:

Ava Ezzie, Marco Karasavas, Kenny Lester, Justin Morris & Kelly O'Doherty

Each student received a \$2,000 award for the 2017-2018 school year and, assuming they maintain their eligibility, will receive \$2,000 for the 2018-2019 school year as well as another \$2,000 for their 8th grade year.

Our thanks and sincere appreciation to Marie and Bob Verna for the wonderful job of providing their children with a Catholic education and inspiring within them a deep passion and commitment to pass on their faith and values to the next generation. May God bless you and reward you for your generosity!





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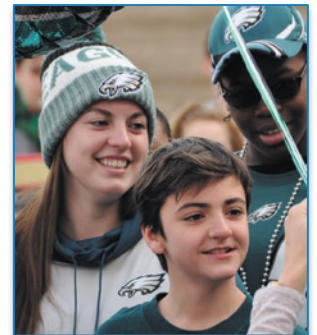


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http://www.espn.com/blog/philadelphia-eagles/post/_/id/22568/carson-wentz-the-dutch-destroyer-and-a-dream-come-true

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