



on the move

More Than A Game



Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Sullivan

Dear Friends,

Tom and Sandy Sullivan, who have always been generous with Metro Catholic School, recently gave a special gift to our sixth, seventh and eighth graders. On October 14 our oldest students saw the LeBron James movie, More Than a Game, at the newly renovated Capitol Theater in the Gordon Square Arts District. In their thank you notes, the students expressed appreciation

for the insights they received: the value of friendship, of never giving up, of believing in yourself and of never losing hope!

One very telling and touching comment came from a seventh grade boy who summed up his gratitude by telling Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan they had "gentle and caring hearts." What a wonderful compliment from a seventh grade boy!

It is clear to us that each of you reading this letter has a "gentle and caring heart." Through the years we have never been disappointed by your care, your belief and your generosity to our families. In this newsletter you will read about some of our successes, especially our upgraded computer labs. Further technology improvements will soon be made possible by an E-rate II federal grant of \$226,000 initiated through our Capital Campaign. Can you help us meet the Metro Catholic \$20,000 match for the E-rate II grant? Metro Catholic school could not be successful without your gentle and caring hearts.

Thank you, and may your gentle and caring hearts be peaceful and blessed during the coming holiday season.

Sr. Anne Maline

SR. ANNE MALINE
Executive Director

Here are some comments from our sixth grade students about their experience:

"I liked the movie because it is about friendship and teamwork. So the next time I play basketball I'm going to remember that it is about friendship, teamwork, and the game!"

-Ignacio

"This movie has really inspired me. I feel like this movie is teaching me that if I practice and do my best then I'm really going to be proud of myself."

- Carlos

"Something I liked about the movie was that they had hardly anything, and they all achieved and didn't give up through the hard times."

- Aida

"People probably thought before they saw the movie that LeBron James had a great and perfect life, but he didn't."

-Heather



Thank You, Mr. & Mrs. Sullivan

Technology: Their Future

Empowering Dreams! Both of the computer labs at Metro Catholic *are* dreams that *empower* dreams.

Over the summer months Metro Catholic School created a Computer Lab for our youngest children by transplanting 25 eMac desktop computers from the Stephen Building Computer Lab to our Early Childhood Center. Now our youngest children, taught by Sr. Anne Philomena, have a Computer Lab of their own! In the new lab, kindergarten and first grade students are using *Kids Keys* software for phonics and alphabet activities. They *love* it! Sometimes it seems that these little ones were “born with a mouse in their hands.” They are such naturals at the computer.



Yes, we are “naturals”



We love our new lab

The Computer Lab in the Stephen Building was upgraded by the purchase of thirty 2009 iMac computers. The new iMac computers feature a slimline monitor, additional memory and a new app called Photo Booth. Using the Photo Booth app, students can take a photo or video of themselves. **Ms. Adelle Bartoul**, computer instructor, plans to use Photo Booth to help students become comfortable with their own self images, and to improve their communications skills.



Using the new iMacs

All students K-8 enjoy a weekly class in the computer lab with a special computer teacher. Students learn elements of keyboarding in every grade, and complete many special projects. The labs are also available to individual students, teachers, and classes for special classwork. After school hours, the Stephen Building Lab is used for Spanish Classes, where the Rosetta Stone software provides a structure for learning the Spanish language; for robotics classes; for remedial reading; and by individual students working on assignments. In a changing world, one thing we are sure of is the importance of technology in our children’s futures. Today’s children will use technology in any profession they choose. We want to make sure they are ready!



Engaged and happy in the computer lab

Further upgrades will include higher capacity servers, wireless connections throughout each building and between campuses, and other infrastructure improvements. These upgrades will be funded through the E-rate II federal grant, initiated through our Capital Campaign efforts. Metro Catholic’s cost for the E-Rate II grant is 10% or \$20,000. We are still looking for a generous donor to make this contribution and continue empowering dreams.

Khoi Vo, Class of 2004: Technology Whiz

We recently received this e-mail from Khoi:

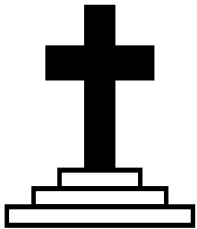
“I am currently attending The University of Pennsylvania. Metro’s computer program helped me a lot during my time of development. I learned a lot in terms of typing and being comfortable using computers. The skills I gained at Metro helped me through high school and are still helping me today as I am typing you this e-mail. My computer skills and association with technology have grown tremendously since my days at Metro. I am currently pursuing a neuroscience major at my university with a strong focus on the computational aspect of neuroscience. I interned for my university under the Computational Neuroscience program where I learned how to use Matlab, a very versatile software for technical computing developed by Mathworks. I now use Matlab every day to create programs that allow me to quantitatively analyze human decision making behaviors. I am hoping to be able to work with fMRI machines by next year where I will be able to study the neural correlates of different human behaviors, specifically decision making.”



Khoi Vo

Photo courtesy of Benjamin Shyong

Best,
Khoi

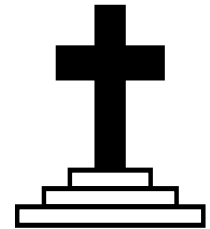


Prayerful Remembrance

Your loved ones will be prayerfully remembered at

Masses during the 2009/10 school year by the

Sisters of Notre Dame



Msgn. Bacher
Eileen Baerwalde
Adrienne Behan
Frances Berichon
Lisa Hagan Berry
Marie & Joseph Biebelhausen
Margaret E. Bitto
Eleanor Jevac Boatwright
Madelyn Boylin
Dr. & Mrs. A.S. Broglio
John & Katherine Bush
J. Vincent Carey
Harold Carson
James Campanella
Parents of Phillip &
Linda Cantanzaro
Alta L. Corrigan
Jack & Joseph Crislip
Ed & Violet Dachtler
John Desmond
Health of Karen Heruminek
Devroy
John & Coletta Dokler
Caroline Dominick
Victoria Dlubac &
Victoria Kruzer
Vera Ercegovic

Deceased members of the
Franklin Family
Louis & Gertrude Gaspar
Gerber & Rajnicek Families
Frank & Anne Giblock
Leonard & Emma Gorris
Peter Paul Gust
Helwig & Bevacqua Families
Edward Hudak
James R. Kazubski
John & Helen Kelly
Patrick Kelly
John & Grace Kilbane
Marilyn Kilbane
Deceased members of the
Kiraly & Stanich Families
Laddie Koncal
Koopman & Ryan-Madden
Families
John Kovach
John & Mary Kuzawa
Health of Jim Laing
Paula & Donald Lamb
Peg Langhenry
Deborah Lawler
Walter & Ruth Lyons
In honor of Anna Mae & Jake Marras

Nick Matuch
Paul Matuch
Elizabeth Mau
Jack & Josephine Miller
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Moran
John & Helen Moysey
Bernard & Marie Muhle
Lillian Navratil
Living & Deceased Obergefell
& Montgomery Families
Dan, Anne, & Leo O'Malley
Tim & Ken O'Neill
Tommy Osborne
Deceased members of the
Paganelli Family
Josephine Paterniti
Charlotte M. Paull
Ted & Rena Piteo
James R. Platten
Carl A. Reese & James Freeman
Eleanor Gaede Riehl
Bob Rochford
Martin Romanchik
Royak & Turkoc Families
Deceased of the Royal &
Schade Families
Barry & Susan Rubin's Aunt Eva

John Sanders
Schmieler & Kiraly
Families
Mary Ann Siewko &
Jean Jelinek
Rudy Simcic
Dorothy Smich
John J. Stefancik & Mary F. Collins
Prayers for Karen Stevens
Charles E. Studniarz
Charles J. Studniarz
William Suich
Peter & Mary Supinski
Peter & Helene Sydro
Deborah Taller
Michael & Catherine Tecca
Fred & Jo Terbraak
Bill Toddy
Neil B. Toth
John Vrooman
Julia A. Weiss & Nancy Nelson
Health of Kathleen Wilson
Irene Weist
Anthony Zamarelli Family
Ann & Frank Zytkowski



*A Treasure from
Our Lady of Mercy*

The feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, October 7th, was a special day for the students and staff in the Michael Building. **Father Joseph Hilinski**, pastor of Our Lady of Mercy Parish, joined us for the dedication of this beautiful statue of Mary.

The statue is a gift from Our Lady of Mercy Parish. It belonged to their school who won it as a prize for selling the most Universe Bulletin subscriptions in 1937. At Father Hilinski's request, artists from Eikonia Studio designed the background and the setting for the statue. Our Lady of Mercy has a permanent legacy at Metro Catholic School.

We invite you to stop in and see this statue in the office of the Michael Building.

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