



SENTINEL OF THE SAINTS



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A Success Story

Dear Friends and Benefactors,
Amidst the gray and cold, the very circumstances in which our Savior came to us, this letter is penned to you. As we experience similar qualities these days and strive to persevere through the trying times, it is our pleasure to communicate success!

Each day there are opportunities for excellence. Not everyone takes advantage of these graces, but this year, as Mater Dei seeks to capitalize on the theme of SUCCESS, students, staff, and parents alike are making efforts to succeed in their duties.

Each year, especially with the development of the PR Department and assistance of the chaplains, the Academy has made progress in encouraging a vibrant attitude within the school! Adding the spirit-wear to our collections, designating days on which this attire is worn, posting the happenings and tracking achievements during fundraising have brought an energetic comportment. These promotional aspects are welcomed and have paid off tremendously.

Judging from the expressions on parents', visitors', staff, and students' faces the school spirit has increased. Despite having

fewer students in these dire times, thanks to your help and the efforts of our dedicated personnel we exceeded our all-time record for fundraising by \$30K! The cheering of our fans during athletic games not only brings compliments from the opponents and referees, but also dominates a larger group with enthusiasm and volume by 50% or more! Local neighbors and authorities offer comments of praise for the furthering of Catholic virtue in a world so much in need. The professors of our alumni, students who seek to be on the front lines in the college classroom, provide accolades, rendering the proof that the spirit given in school is maintained even after graduation — "You cannot give what you do not have!"

Please enjoy some examples of the healthy spirit we have. If you cannot visit to see the reality, at least glean what is expressed in the following visual.

In Union with St. René Goupil,

Fr. Richard Boyle

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Principal

“The men signed of the cross of Christ go gaily in the dark.”

- G. K. Chesterton

SUCCESS looks like...



smiles at recess



a wonderful rendition of Papa Panov's Magical Christmas



Self-confidence
Upbeat
Commitment
Courage
Enthusiasm
Serenity
Steadfastness



earning National Honor Society letters



Fr. Boyle surrounded by alumni in the religious life



high school girls attending the D.C. March for Life



cheering fans at a basketball game



senior boys meeting Fr. Pagliarani at the Angelus Press Conference 2021



raising nearly \$150K for the Jog-A-Thon



ALUMNI NEWS



August 13, 2021: Jeffrey Koulik, Class of 2017, and Jennifer Young are united in Holy Matrimony



October 2, 2021: Thomas Petersen, Class of 2014, and Alison Giunti are united in Holy Matrimony



January 6, 2022: James Hewko, Class of 2012, is ordained to the Priesthood



January 14, 2022: Mariana Zallo, Class of 2013, and Andrew Whiteside are united in Holy Matrimony



January 20, 2022: Sr. Mary Grace (Kimball) Class of 2010, visits her Alma Mater



February 5, 2022: Gemma Petersen, Class of 2017, and Jason See are united in Holy Matrimony

Cover Photo: Fr. James Hewko poses with Mater Dei alumni and students after his ordination.

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We like to hear from our SAINTS in the world!*