

Dear Alumni, Friends, and Parents,

Each and every day we educate the whole child, preparing hearts, minds, and spirits for inspirational lives in our community. Our reward is the success of our students, and these rewards have been bountiful as our graduates succeed at prestigious local high schools and in universities such as UC Berkeley, Cal Poly, St. John's University and the University of San Francisco.

To ensure this success for generations to come, we ask for your support. **At the beginning of this school year, we projected a shortfall of \$200,000.00 for operating costs through June.** We embarked on an aggressive family fundraising program and asked our entire school community to work toward achieving this goal – together.

As we work toward our fundraising goal, we know we cannot rely on cookie dough and wrapping paper sales alone to generate the funds we need – we need your support through a direct, tax-deductible donation. **With your help, we will achieve our goal.** By giving to our Annual Appeal in whatever amount you can afford, you can share directly in the mission of our wonderful school and keep quality Catholic education accessible to families in our community.

How can you help?

- Donate using the enclosed donation form.
- Double your impact by checking to see whether your employer will match your gift. Your company's personnel office will know about matching gifts.
- Spread the word about our Annual Appeal to others such as your parents, grandparents and friends who, like you, believe in excellent and affordable Catholic education for children of all religious, economic, and ethnic backgrounds.
- Contact me if you have any questions or if you'd like to help in other ways.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Sincerely,

Sharon Lydon
Principal
St. Martin School