Dear Alumni, Parents and Friends of St. Anthony,

Once a year, we have a “fun” raiser here at St. Anthony of Padua for St. Anthony Catholic School. This year we will celebrate it on Saturday, June 14 at Catholic University of America. At the celebration we will honor Mrs. Helen Brown and Mr. Paul Miller with our 2014 “Servant Leader” award for their dedication to the school. Mrs. Brown came to St. Anthony Catholic School to serve, and literally laid down her life for us in uncounted years of service. Mr. Miller came to the aid of the school when our outreach for community support was brand new, and has consistently helped us through the “Hoops for Youth” fundraisers. Since, as St. Anthony said, “actions speak louder than words,” it is entirely appropriate that we recognize their part in the continuing miracle that is the St. Anthony school family.

At our “fun” raiser we will also be attempting to raise funds for the short and long term needs of our school, and you are invited to put into practice your own St. Anthony’s experience! Family is best understood as an acronym: Forget About Me, I Love You! While spending money on ourselves satisfies for the moment only, contributing to a cause you believe in makes you a blessing. As Jesus teaches, “it is more blessed to give than to receive.” Acts 20:35. The generosity of Antoinette Margot is the physical foundation of this parish, and its continuing inspiration. Just as there would be no parish campus if she did not first donate her home, “Theodoron,” to the parish, so too the parish would never have grown, much less founded its grade school and high school, unless successive generations, following her example, and that of Jesus, made of mere earthly riches the seeds of a better life for generations yet unborn. There is, in fact, no other way! “Unless the seed falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a seed. But if it dies, it produces much fruit.” Jn 12:23-24.

Francis our Pope called us to be “a poor church for poor people,” and “a field hospital in the middle of a battle zone.” No one is poorer than one without an education in the faith, no one more in need of hospitality and healing. This year many of our schoolchildren entered the church at Easter, in some cases bringing their families with them. To expand on this work of God, this Opus Dei, we need some generous donors to give us their homes after they are done with them, to help us shelter our young faculty here in what is becoming a quite pricey neighborhood. We need others to help us renovate, rebuild, and/or expand our 93 year old campus buildings, so that generations yet unborn may receive a life changing St. Anthony education. Yes, this will literally involve several million dollars, but what is that in comparison with the incomparable wealth of the life of a child, the life of a community reborn?

Mr. Michael Thomasian, in his letter, requests your help in making this 4th Annual Gala a success. Our ability to continue to bridge the gap between the cost of educating our young ones, and the monies we receive from tuition, depends on it, so please be generous! Come and join us if at all possible, for you are our FAMILY! I beg for our future. As St. Pope John Paul II said: “The future for us remains an unknown quantity, which we now accept without anxiety. Love has overcome anxiety. The future depends on love.” God love you!

Peace,

Fr. Fred
2013-2014 Theme: WE ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST.

**How Can I Support the Gala?**

**There are three ways you can support our Gala and Silent Auction.**

First, you can purchase ticket(s) and encourage friends, family, and co-workers to do the same. Tickets are being sold at the school, rectory, and online for $50.00 each. Tables of 8 can be reserved for $400.00.

Second, you can place an ad in our souvenir program to promote a business, congratulate the school, or remember a former teacher or a loved one. Ad prices are as follows: $25.00 (1/4 page), $50.00 (1/2 page) and $100.00 (full page). The program will be printed in black and white on 8.5x11 paper (layout: portrait). You can email your ads or mail them to the school.

Finally, you can make a monetary contribution or donate an auction item. Gift cards, artwork, themed baskets, and mini-getaways are all hot sellers.

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**Canned Food Drive**

St. Anthony Catholic School students exceeded their goal during their Lenten Canned Food Drive, as we seek to reach out to the less fortunate in our community.

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**In Memoriam**

John Beall G.S. ‘57  
Michael Condetti  
Jane Davis Carduff H.S. ‘46  
William Rapp G.S. ‘47/H.S. ‘51  
Phil J. Spadacino H.S. ‘47  
Edie (Pronio) Brophy H.S. ‘67  
Helen Brown

*Please pray for the faithfully departed.*
Dear Alumni, Parishioners, and Friends:

Here, at St. Anthony, we are experiencing a glorious Easter Season! By the grace of God, we had twenty-three students enter the Catholic Church. One student was received into the Church, twelve were baptized, and ten students were fully initiated. Two weeks later thirteen students received their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. And on May 19th, six 8th graders will be confirmed by His Eminence Donald Cardinal Wuerl at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. We are pleased to have so many more students able to participate in the sacramental life of the church.

Each spring gives us the opportunity to celebrate another crop of talented and well-prepared graduates. The “Class of 2014” will be matriculating to the best public and private high schools in the area. Today’s high school application process is extremely competitive and intense. The foundation our students receive here makes the difference. It gives me great pleasure to share that our students were accepted to Archbishop Carroll, Bishop McNamara, DeMatha, Elizabeth Seton, Georgetown Visitation, Gonzaga, Holy Cross, and St. John’s College High School. I have no doubt our students will excel during their high school years.

In addition to maintaining the tradition of academic excellence, our students also benefit from a variety of fun activities and events. Over the last few months students have participated in the annual Science Fair, the inaugural Night of the Arts, Career Day, a reptile show, a Chinese acrobat performance, Field Day, and a visit from the Lysol Healthy Habits Bus. We do our best to keep our calendar full and exciting for the students. Please visit our website to see a complete list of events. Know you are always welcome to join us for any event!

Hopefully you will be able to join us for our Fourth Annual Gala & Silent Auction on Saturday, June 14, 2014. This is the one event that we host explicitly for alumni and friends of the school. The dinner, dance, and silent auction will once again be held at Catholic University’s Pryzbyla Center. This year we will honor alumni celebrating significant anniversaries. Your presence is greatly appreciated. Please contact me if you have any questions related to the gala or would like to support it in any way. All proceeds go toward our “Blue & Gold” scholarship fund.

Your role in our mission is invaluable. Thank you for all of your prayers and financial support to St. Anthony Catholic School!

God bless you.

In Christ,

Michael Thomasian
Principal
### Congratulations to the Class of 2014

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*May Crowning: we honored the Virgin Mother on May 5, 2014.*
Easter 2014

Fr. Fred Close, pastor of St. Anthony, baptizes one of the newest members of our Catholic family at Easter Sunday Mass 2014

Fr. Fred Close baptizes a child

Ms. Kathleen Downey, PreK teacher at St. Anthony, with students on Easter Sunday

The joy of the Resurrection at Easter Sunday!

Processing to receive First Holy Communion

Upcoming Events

Eighth Grade Graduation
Friday, June 6, 2014, 7:00 p.m.
St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church
Washington, D.C.

Fourth Annual Gala & Silent Auction
Saturday, June 14, 2014, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Catholic University’s Pryzbyla Center
Tickets: $50.00 per person. Call 202-526-4657 or visit our website at www.stanthonyschooldc.org for more information, including purchasing tickets.

St. Anthony Grade School Class of 1954
60 year reunion, September 27, 2014
Contact Mary Ann Barnes G.S. ‘54/H.S. ‘58 at 585-591-0165

Mr. Michael Thomasian, principal of St. Anthony Catholic School, shares in the joy of Easter Sunday.

Parishioner and former St. Anthony School employee Ms. Liz Wilson, distributes Communion at Easter Sunday Mass.

The family of Tyrone & Atehoi Bond, St. Anthony School secretary, celebrate their children’s reception into the Catholic Church.
St. Anthony Gala

Saturday, June 14, 2014
Catholic University
Pryzbyla Center

Celebrating Anniversary Classes
Dinner, Dance, Auction, Cash Bar

♀ 6pm – 10pm
♀ Tickets $50.00
St. Anthony High School Class of 1956 Holds 75th Anniversary Party

Joe Romeo H.S. ‘56

The St. Anthony High School Class of 1956 held a 75th birthday party celebrating their 75th birth year. The celebration took place at Joe & June Widmayer’s house in Annapolis, Md., on September 21, 2013. Seventeen classmates attended, which included several from the St. Anthony Grade School Class of 1952. The total number attended was 26, including spouses and former teacher Gloria Mariani (Sister Theodore). The class decided that any money collected for the party that was not spent is to be forwarded to St. Anthony School, so enclosed find a donation.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

As I was reading St. Anthony’s Blue and Gold Fall 2013 issue, I came across the fantastic article, “On Leadership: What Sister Aedan Did to Me,” by Mary Seton Corboy (G.S. ’75). I could not put it down and had to read it twice.

I was Mary’s basketball coach during her 7th and 8th grade years at St. Anthony’s. Those were fun filled days, and the girls were all terrific. Friday nights and Sunday mornings were times for learning, sharing, and enjoying being a part of the team. I just loved the opportunity to coach all those wonderful girls at St. Anthony’s Grade School during the late 1960s.

Mary’s words and lessons learned from Sister Aedan took me back to the days when Sister Aedan was my teacher. She was a wonderful teacher with more to teach than just math. Mary’s words express this to its full meaning.

I always felt that Mary was a teacher – not only on the court, but she carried this on in her adult life. Mary, I am so very proud of all the wonderful things you have accomplished to help others, but especially your beautiful essay regarding Sister Aedan to all those who knew her and loved her.

Sincerely,

Mary Anne Fitzpatrick Barnes G.S. ‘54/H.S. ‘58
Attica, N.Y.

Planned Giving Corner

After you’ve provided for your family, please consider naming St. Anthony Catholic School of Washington, D.C., in your bequest. Thank you for considering making a planned gift to support our school.
Address changes for the Blue & Gold? News about class reunions, alumni of the school and other information of interest to our readership? Please contact Bill Murray at 240-418-5427 or billm@developassociates.com

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A school you can believe in.