



## DEDICATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT EDUCATION COMPLEX

Holy Spirit Catholic Church along with Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School celebrated the dedication of the new Holy Spirit Education Complex on Sunday, August 12th. The first new building in the Education Complex will serve as both Religious Education classrooms and church meeting rooms for the Parish, and as the second Elementary campus for Montgomery Catholic, joining the St. Bede Campus in serving students pre-kindergarten through 6th grades.

The dedication ceremony began with Mass at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, followed by the dedication and blessing of the complex by Archbishop Thomas J. Rodi. The Pastor of Holy Spirit, Rev. Patrick R. Driscoll, welcomed guests as the ceremony began. Special recognition and speakers included: Rev. Msgr. F. Charles Troncale, Pastor Emeritus; Mr.

Nap Barranco, Chairman of the Options Committee; and Mrs. Anne Ceasar, President of Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School; all of whom spoke of the excitement of the project and the success and joy of opening a new school. The celebration concluded with classroom tours and lunch in the Parish Hall. The hosts of the day's events were Holy Spirit's Pastoral Council, Finance Council, Building in the Spirit Committee, and the Knights of Columbus.

The new campus comprised of 19.6 acres has completed Phase I, which includes the 26,000 square-foot two-story classroom building for pre-kindergarten through 6th grades. Phase II will include a multi-purpose building that will house the gym and finally, Phase III

will include a Church and School Administrative building.

Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School, founded in 1873 is the oldest continually operating non-public school in the state of Alabama. As it opened for classes on August 20th, the Holy Spirit Elementary campus, located at 8580 Vaughn Road across from the Wynlakes subdivision, serves the growing Holy Spirit Parish and adds a fourth campus for MCPS, joining the St. Bede Elementary campus, and the Middle and High School campuses, Montgomery Catholic offers K4 through grade 12 and is accredited by SACS.

Visit [www.montgomerycatholic.org](http://www.montgomerycatholic.org) for more information or call the school office at 334-649-4404.



Right: The Pastor of Holy Spirit, Rev. Patrick R. Driscoll, Archbishop Thomas J. Rodi and Rev. Msgr. F. Charles Troncale, Pastor Emeritus bless the new building.  
Below: Montgomery Catholic Preparatory Middle and High School Principal Chad Barwick; MCPS President, Anne Ceasar and St. Bede Principal and Holy Spirit Administrative Team member Laurie Gulley.



Above: Mr. and Mrs. Nap Barranco celebrated the day. Mr. Barranco served as Chairman of the Options Committee and thanked his wife, Sandra (class of 1958), for her support while working on this project.

## What Catholic Means

What does the word Catholic mean in the title Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School? It means all the difference in the world... and beyond.

It means that at MCPS the whole student is educated: intellectually, socially, physically, and spiritually. It means that our students are offered both an excellent education in the arts and sciences and a formation in Gospel values.

Parents have many hopes for their sons and daughters. They have the hope that their children will grow up to be happy and healthy individuals. They have the hope that their children will do well in college. They have the hope that their children will get a good job, make a good salary, and have a good house. They have the hope that their children will have a loving spouse and a strong marriage. They have the hope that their children will themselves have healthy and happy children.

All of these hopes are natural for loving parents to have for their children. At the same time, it is good for parents to keep in mind the most important hope that a parent can ever have for their child. The greatest hope is this: that their child will be with God in heaven for all eternity.

All the other things listed above will pass away. While certainly natural and understandable, these other hopes are about things which lie ahead only for the next few decades. Only the love of God lasts for all eternity. The hope that a child will accept God's gift of salvation is a hope which focuses on what is eternal. A hope for a child to have a great career pertains to a few decades; the hope for an eternal relationship with God makes millions of years look puny.

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This is the fundamental ministry of MCPS, a ministry which underlies the name "Catholic" in its title.

The Catholic Church has a long and rich heritage in fostering education which extends back for centuries. (The first medieval universities of Europe began with the blessing and support of the Catholic Church.)

As I have served as a priest, I have observed evidence of this history. As you may know, I was born in Louisiana. The first schools in Louisiana were Catholic schools. Later I had the privilege to serve as Bishop of Biloxi. The first schools on the Mississippi Gulf Coast were Catholic schools. Now I have the privilege of serving as Archbishop of Mobile. The first schools in Alabama were Catholic schools. In fact, the first educational institution of higher learning in Alabama was a Catholic college, Spring Hill College, established by the first Bishop of Mobile.

The Catholic Church consistently and effectively fosters education because the Church considers education to be a vital ministry of the Church. It is a ministry aimed at helping young people to discover and develop their God-given talents. It is a ministry to help young people learn about this world in all its wonder, and, at the same time, to learn about God who created the world. It is a ministry to help young people prepare to make a living in this world, and, at the same time, to help them build a life which will last for all eternity. It means to

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# Letter from the President

One of my fondest memories as a child was watching my grandmother make bread every Friday. She began with the yeast, added the water, which had to be at just the right temperature to promote the proper rising, followed by ample handfuls of flour. After this she began the kneading process, working the dough until it was the proper consistency. Then came the final touch. She would roll a long piece of dough into a “long tubular” shape, break into two parts, and then place it on the bread in the shape of a cross.

As I reflect on the past year at Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School and the many strides that we have made to become a truly unified school system, I see many parallels as in the making of my grandmother's bread. In 1990, each Catholic school in Montgomery voted to become part of a regional system or to retain their parochial status. Our Lady Queen of Mercy, St. Bede, and Catholic High voted to join hands under the leadership of the “Unified Board.” This became the yeast for the regional model under which we operate. The “Unified Board” presently operates under the official name of Montgomery Catholic Advisory Board, and the past and present members have been instrumental in the promotion of our mission and the growth of the school.

Many key components, the “flour,” were added during the recent years. The Belke Science Building, the athletic complex, and the Dr. Tom Doyle Middle School were built and enhanced the education experience of the students. In August, the Holy Spirit Church Education Complex opened and now houses our newest elementary education complex. This move to the east side of Montgomery would not have been possible without the generosity of the Holy Spirit Church community. Pre-kindergarten programs were begun at this site, as well as at our St. Bede Campus.

The MCPS Advisory Board has been very forward thinking and diligent through the years to promote the operations of the regional model. They continue to work through, “knead,” the many challenges as we strengthen this model. This year they voted to hire a Director of Development. After an extensive interview process, Anna Lee Ingalls was chosen, and she has worked hand-in-hand with Mary Kelley, Public Relations Director, to promote MCPS and share our very rich history.

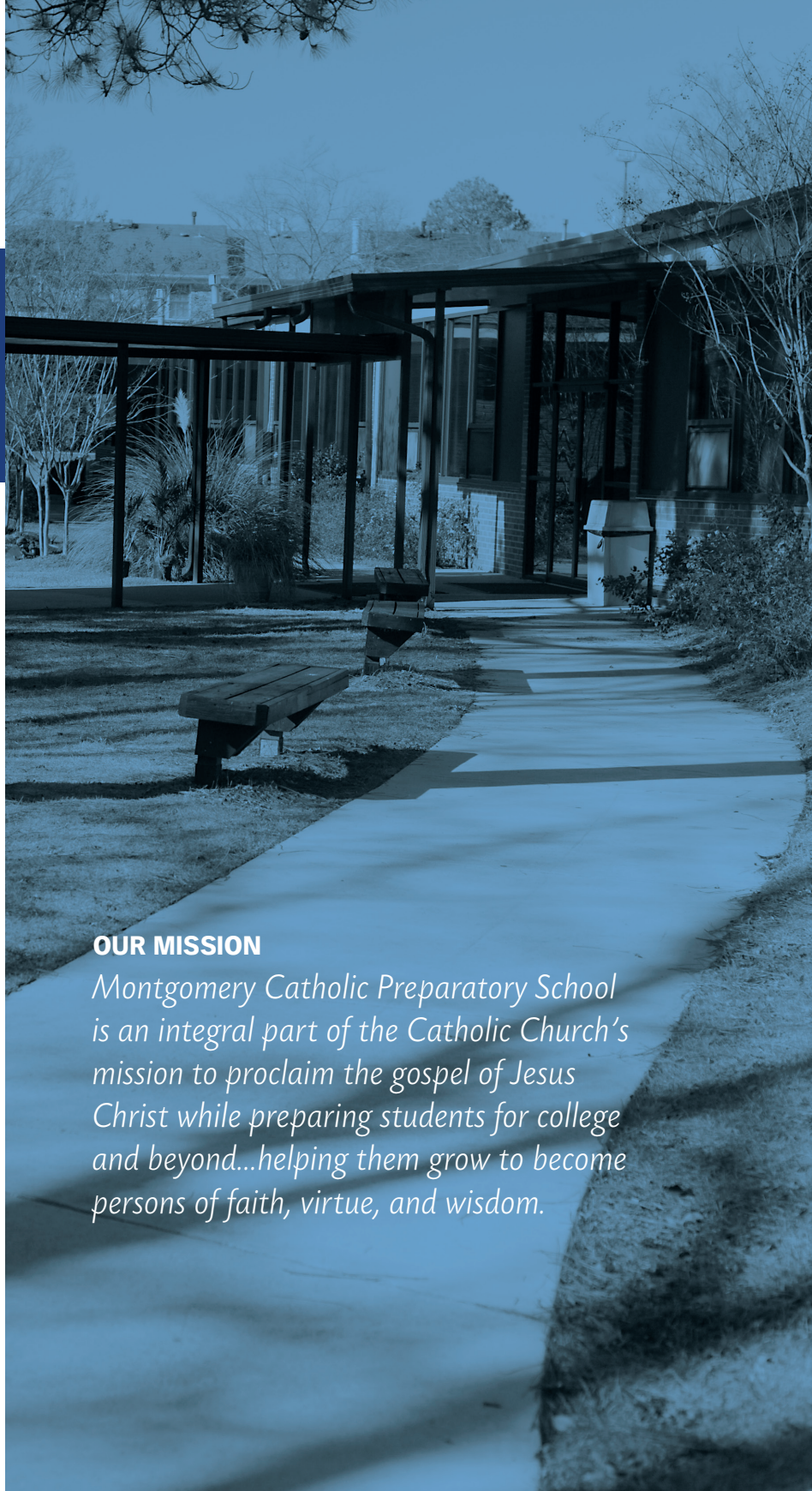
Christ must be the center of all that we do in the educating of our students. Just as my grandmother carefully crafted the cross and laid it on the rising dough, we as a community must make Jesus the center of our work. As so eloquently articulated in *Educating Together*:

*The project of a Catholic school is convincing only if carried out by people who are deeply motivated, because they witness to a living encounter with Christ in whom alone the mystery of man truly becomes clear.*

*We as a unified, regional community can proudly applaud the many accomplishments of our students, which can be found in articles throughout this edition of Nowadays. They range from National Merit finalists to honored band members. They are the finished product of an education system staffed by dedicated, Christ centered teachers and staff working diligently “to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ ... while preparing students for college and beyond...helping them grow to become persons of faith, virtue, and wisdom (taken from MCPS Mission Statement). Through excellence, service, and faith this mission is accomplished. **This is Catholic.***

Please continue to pray for Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School, its students, families, faculty, and staff as we begin our new school year, and know that you remain in mine.

**Anne Ceasar**, *President*



## OUR MISSION

*Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School is an integral part of the Catholic Church’s mission to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ while preparing students for college and beyond...helping them grow to become persons of faith, virtue, and wisdom.*

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proclaim without hesitation, ambiguity, or confusion the Good News of Jesus Christ as handed down from the Apostles.

I am inspired by parents who strive to provide a Catholic education for their children, often at great sacrifice. These parents are mindful of their own moral obligation to make certain that their children have a foundation in Gospel values. May God bless all the parents of our students in MCPS.

MCPS is not only a place of education (“school”) preparing our young people (“preparatory”) located in Montgomery. It is a ministry sharing faith and offering to lead our young people to the salvation of their souls, the greatest hope which parents can have for their child. ·

**Archbishop Thomas J. Rodi**  
ARCHBISHOP OF MOBILE

## Dear MCPS Families and Friends:

I was appointed by Father David Carucci to serve as the St. Bede Parish representative on the MCPS Advisory Board. Father Carucci appointed me in the Spring of 2009 to serve a four year term, and I have just completed my third year, at which time I served as president of the Advisory Board for the 2011-2012 school year.

This past school year found the Board facing a lot of challenges and issues which were sometimes difficult, and there will be difficult challenges ahead. One of those challenges was the opening of the new elementary school located at the Church of the Holy Spirit campus. While the original concept for the building was born by the Church of the Holy Spirit



in its quest for a religious education facility, that facility is now serving in a dual role by also providing for an elementary school which is part of the MCPS system. We continually strive to fill the building with students who will obtain a good, quality Catholic education, similar to other students already enrolled in the MCPS system. Therefore, I ask that all MCPS families and friends spread the word and help us to increase the enrollment at the new elementary school, as well as the enrollment at all of our campuses, as we are always challenged to increase enrollment.

I attended the dedication of the new school which was held on Sunday, August 12, 2012, at which time Archbishop Rodi dedicated and blessed the building. The classrooms looked magnificent, as each

one of them was ready for the opening of the school, which occurred on Monday, August 20, 2012. It is a great facility, and I am hopeful that many MCPS families and employees will enjoy this building for many years to come.

Both my wife Laura and I, are strong believers in Catholic education, which is evidenced by the fact that both of us attended twelve years of Catholic school, graduated from Catholic high schools, and all four of our children have been educated or are in the process of being educated at MCPS. It is my wish that every Catholic family in this city send their children to MCPS, and I continue to pray for that result. Similarly, we at MCPS strive to educate all students, regardless of their religious affiliation.

One aspect of our entire school system is the fact that many parents and others volunteer to help whenever needed. I could not possibly list all of the people who have volunteered and helped out during this past year. I can only ask that

all of you please continue to volunteer and assist in the future wherever possible, as this very spirit of help and cooperation helps make us a strong organization. Also, it goes without saying that we are very thankful for all of the many volunteers who have assisted this past year.

My wishes for the coming year are that the new elementary school grows and prospers, as does all of MCPS. I truly hope we can all pull together and move forward to develop the best school system that we can possibly be. I ask that all of you keep MCPS in your prayers. I wish each of you a prosperous 2012-2013 school year.

Very Cordially Yours,

**Richard Dean**, *President*  
2011-2012 MCPS Advisory Board  
Class of 1978

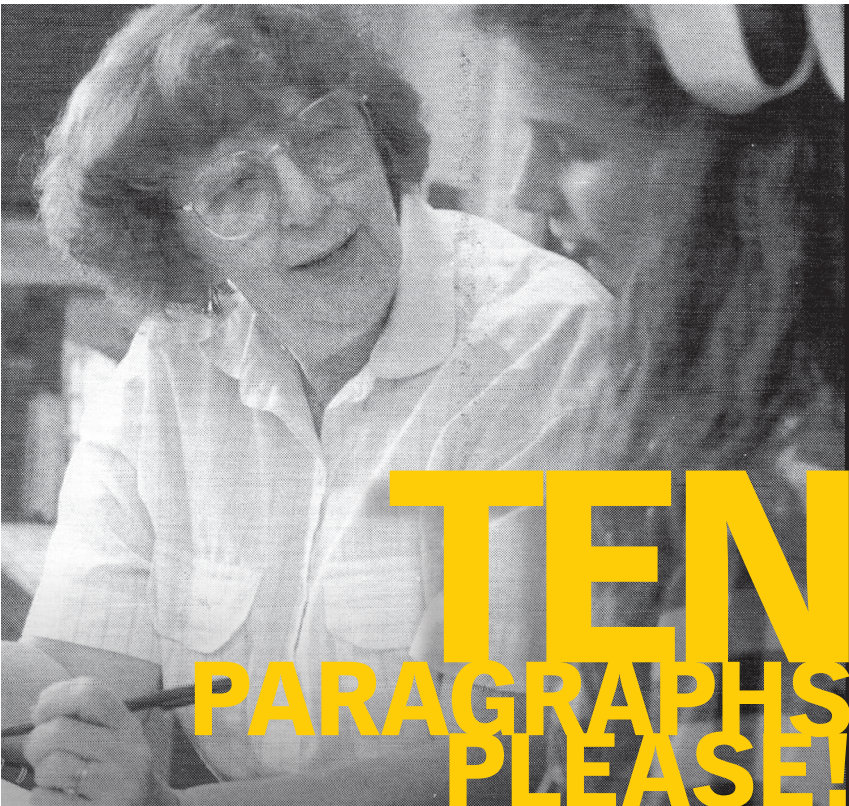
Does that phrase ring a bell? If you graduated from Catholic anytime in the past 42 years you probably recall that requirement of passing 9th grade English. Those paragraphs were conditional on the premise that if anything was written or advised outside of the class period in which you penned your prose, there would be no grade but a definite and non-negotiable FAIL for the assignment. The instilled fear of God had a great track record. Students complied with the rules and soon found that they were exceptional in their college English courses, noted frequently by professors in a broad spectrum of colleges and universities.

Certainly, it only took a moment for you to realize that the Montgomery Catholic legend is Miz O, a teacher and friend beloved by thousands of people since August 1, 1970.

This spring Miz O ended her tenure of service as teacher, tutor, and leader at Montgomery Catholic High School. She holds the record for the second longest employed teacher (Coach Joe Arban being first) in our school, therefore leaving a treasure chest of memories for everyone.

Miz O was born Alice Strong in Dallas, Texas. She married Carlos Ortega and together they had six children, twelve grandchildren, and three great grandchildren. She received a Bachelors of Science from Auburn University and a Masters at Troy State with a major in English and a minor in Social Studies. She taught English for middle and high school students in Shorter and Smith Station three years prior to employment at Montgomery Catholic.

It seems she came on board with a passion for education and a zeal to challenge students to explore every available opportunity. She was a sincere advocate for students. Even though the paragraph projects raised the bar



extremely high, she knew the benefit it would give. She expected excellence because she believed in student's ability and realized the confidence it built would last a lifetime.

Throughout her education career she taught English, drama, poetry, honors British Literature, and Shakespeare, and became well noted for directing comedy and dramatic plays in the high school. It was an extracurricular that students always looked forward to while the general community equally anticipated attending the productions.

Friends of Miz O recall fun times away from the students, reflecting the good sense of humor and happy spirit she possessed. For many years, there was a weekly Friday faculty meeting at Fifth Quarter and was a must do for Miz O and other faculty and staff. It was always a great way to shake off the dust from the week and refresh. The weekly comrades

bonded as dear friends in a way that continues today.

The afterhours life for Miz O was her work at Alabama Shakespeare Festival (ASF) where she was in charge of the Front of House Staff who assisted and managed theatre goers. It was a great avenue for students to work part time, and she made sure they were aware of any job openings. She became known as the Voice of Alabama at all ASF plays by announcing each performance just before the curtain went up. Miz O frequently left school and went straight to ASF where she would fulfill her jobs and grade papers in-between curtains.

It is difficult to capture all the good Miz O created for Montgomery Catholic within the classroom and beyond. Nevertheless, it is our wish to thank you Miz O for the many memories, successes, support, and the endearing love you gave each of your students. We



cannot say goodbye but prefer to say that we will miss your daily interactions and hope that you will always stay in touch and visit us often.

Dr. Doyle and Fr. Tokarz affectionately called you Lady Alice and that you are a great lady whose legacy will live through generations to come while students continue to exude the possibilities come true that you so meticulously fostered during their high school years.

May our Lord Jesus Christ bring you daily graces for your 42 years of daily devotion to us. ·

# Making Our Mark

St. Mary's of Loretto was founded by the Sisters of Loretto in 1873. Over time the school transitioned into the present day, Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School. MCPS is currently the oldest, continuously running, non public school in the state of Alabama.

That realization alone has propelled us into a very bare bones exploration of our

memorabilia. One of the early finds in beginning to catalog our artifacts was an array of school logos as depicted here. Understanding that there are probably more to be uncovered, it remains an interesting visual tour of our history.

Archives bring richness to any organization and can be an asset to the advancement of the school in multiple

ways. It is a new effort in its infancy at Montgomery Catholic where you have the opportunity to play a vital role. What are your memories? What artifacts do you have? What are you willing to share?

**This is Catholic!**



1927



1950



1964



1966



1980s



2001



2008



2012

Depending on your graduation class you may remember many sisters of Loretto, just a few, or only Sr. Martha Belke who was the last sister to teach at Montgomery Catholic and now resides at the motherhouse in Nerinx, Kentucky. For those graduating after 1996, there are no memories of the sisters in our classrooms. Regardless of your recollections our heritage is worth review of the brave women who established our origin, St. Mary of Loretto School for girls in 1873.

The following article, written in May of this year by Marnie McAllister, Assistant Editor for the Archdiocese of Central Kentucky's *The Record* relays a rich overview of the sister's history, their community service today, and the 200 year celebration.

*The Sisters of Loretto honored their founders, planned for the future, renewed their vows and took action to aid immigrants during a five-day bicentennial celebration held April 22-26 in the Archdiocese of Louisville.*

*Among the jubilee highlights was a special liturgy and group photo on the community's Foundation Day, April 25, at the motherhouse in Nerinx, Kentucky About 300 sisters and lay associates, known as*

*co-members, gathered at the motherhouse – from their homes and ministries around the United States and abroad – to honor three women who laid the foundation of their ministry in 1812.*

*“Here we are ready to begin another century,” said Sister Cathy Mueller during the homily. “We look to the last 200 years, and we are grateful for those who have gone before us. We stand on the shoulders of great, faithful women and men who saw need and responded.”*

*Mary Rhodes, Christina Stuart and Ann Havern – members of Catholic pioneer families that migrated from Maryland to Kentucky – started the community by teaching children who weren't being educated on the Kentucky frontier, including the children of Mary Rhodes' brother.*

*Sister Mueller, president of the Sisters of Loretto, said the foundresses saw an opportunity to “do something different with their lives.”*

*“And here we are today,” she told the sisters and co-members gathered for the liturgy. “They moved together into a small cabin for support, friendship and mission. Then, they worked with Father (Charles) Nerinx to become a religious congregation. They began with three. Two months later we were six.*

*“Their courage, concern and energy, nourished by the Gospel and communal love, are with us as a lasting endowment of hope,” she said. “They did not plan for 200 years ... and who could have imagined what has happened since 1812?”*

*Today, the Sisters of Loretto have an international reach. Three sisters recently established a school in Pakistan. There are 215 vowed sisters and 214 co-members who touch the lives of people in 31 states and 11 countries.*

*The sisters' ministry has changed over the years, adapting to the needs of the day, Sister Mueller*



The Sisters of Loretto

said. The focus on education has always remained at the core of Loretto life – though it takes a variety of forms now.

Sisters serve in pastoral ministry, health and social services, peace and justice projects, retreat and spirituality centers, Catholic Worker houses, United Nations non-governmental organizations, interfaith initiatives and environmental advocacy.

Ten years ago, Sister Maureen Fiedler took the teaching charism to uncharted territory. She is the host of the public radio show *Interfaith Voices*, dedicated to promoting religious understanding. It began after the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. More than 60 public radio stations around the United States air the show, though it's not carried here in the Archdiocese of Louisville.

“We live in the United States today in the most religiously diverse nation on earth,” Sister Fiedler noted during an interview after the morning liturgy April 25. “If we're going to promote understanding, we have to know about one another's faith traditions.

“It's both education in the finest Loretto tradition and it's (a ministry of) justice and peace,” she said.

Sister Fiedler, who lives near Washington, D.C., became a sister of Loretto 28 years ago after transferring from a community in New York State. She has been a religious for 50 years.

museum and a collection of small cabins known as Cedars of Peace that are open to visitors seeking a quiet retreat.

The foundresses started their ministry about 11 miles from the present site – across a field from St. Charles Church in St. Mary, Kentucky, which celebrated its 225th anniversary last fall.

The settlement – a small collection of log cabins – became known as Little Loretto. Father Nerinx, a priest from Belgium and one of the few serving in the Kentucky frontier in those days, built a cabin in Little Loretto, too. Part of it now stands on the motherhouse grounds in Nerinx, Kentucky.

The community moved from Little Loretto to its current site in Nerinx in 1824. They flourished there, building an academy and educating generations of young women.

But they didn't stay put, either. Their expansion began less than a dozen years after their founding, just before the move to Nerinx.

In 1823, a dozen sisters expanded their teaching ministry to Missouri. And as the frontier expanded, so did Loretto. In 1847, sisters moved into Kansas, and in 1852 they moved into New Mexico, traveling along the Santa Fe trail in a wagon train. Denver and El Paso came next. They went to China in 1923.

As they moved west, the sisters also staffed schools and operated Loretto High School in the Archdiocese of Louisville.

Sister Mary Luke Tobin, who led the Sisters of Loretto in the early 1960s, was one of 15 women selected to be an auditor of the Second Vatican Council, which ushered in significant changes for women religious. Vatican II also brought new ministries for the sisters who responded to a call to serve in South and Central America.

They continue today to work for justice for immigrants through pastoral care, social work and education. The sisters erected a billboard in Louisville recently to call for immigration reform. Located at 330 E. Breckinridge St., the sign reads, “I was

## OUR HERITAGE BEGAN WITH The Sisters of Loretto

She noted that the roots of Loretto seem very small, tucked away in a remote part of Kentucky. But they are strong enough to support far-reaching branches of ministry.

“I think the roots of the tree are planted very deeply in the soil of Kentucky,” she said.

Most staff offices are located in Denver and St. Louis now. But Sister Fiedler and others say the motherhouse feels like home. The community's 215 vowed sisters and 214 lay co-members still gather periodically for community-wide celebrations in Nerinx.

It's a place where many sisters want to go when they retire, said Sister Mueller. It has an infirmary, a working farm, a retreat center, a newly expanded Heritage Center

a stranger and you welcomed me.” But stranger is crossed out and replaced with the word “immigrant.”

We are thankful for the rich history the Sisters of Loretto have, and for all they have done to make MCPS what it is today. **This is Catholic.**



Above: MCPS 9th grade World History Class. From left to right: Brooke Pines and Mary Katherine Head

## Learning History in the 21st Century

Montgomery Catholic Integrates Technology into History, MCPS is excited to pilot a new class that integrates technology into history instruction with students using multiple dynamic approaches to learn about World History.

The freshmen class will use Macbook Air laptop computers and SmartBoard Technology to work collaboratively and in innovative ways to learn about global cultures and history. This technology will create a much more individualized

approach toward history instruction that the tech-savvy Knights will appreciate.

Much of the instruction will be project-based which will challenge students to create presentations and learn in ways outside of a textbook.

The computers, housed in a mobile lab, will be used outside of history classes to supplement other teachers' instruction and provide more opportunities for MCPS students 7-12 to learn about technology in a controlled educational environment.

## K-4 Students Bring a New Ray of Sunshine

The 2012-2013 school year welcomed in a new community of students as we opened K-4 classes at both elementary campuses, St. Bede and Holy Spirit. The move to expand elementary opportunities for the community was spurred on by a continual and urgent request to provide a K-4 program. In unison with advisory board members and administration, plans were put into motion during the 2011-2012 school year to make the vision a reality.

In its inaugural year the K-4 classrooms quickly filled with 24 students. To date it has been a successful year, with happy children and delighted parents.



The program is a full school day with structured curriculum in the morning, rest time after lunch and supervised play to complete the day.

It is apparent that K-4 is a real need in modern day society and Montgomery Catholic is honored to provide the resource.



- Other activities of interest during 2011-2012 included a unit on quillery (the art of paper rolling), a study of John Butler Yeats and Jack Butler Yeats to go along with our Irish Cultural Day, and a unit on flip books - a forerunner to modern cartooning.

Finally, and of greatest importance is the role our parent/grandparent volunteers played in our art program. Some parents came to help with their child's art class every week while other parents spent volumes of hours putting up art displays for art shows. Other volunteers prepared materials at home. Many working parents participated in this opportunity by cutting, pasting, tearing, sorting, and beyond.

## MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL ART STUDENTS

Our middle-high school art students continue to be creative to their true selves. As outlined below you see an impressive group of artists with award winning pieces and a dedication to community service within and outside the school.

- Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School student artwork won numerous awards at the 2011 Alabama National Fair. **Migyn Kim** won first place in Watercolor and the overall winner for her artwork. **David Babb** won second place in Watercolor. **Audrey Kim** won Division I for 7th - 9th grades in Opaque and Watercolor. **Jinah Kim** won third place in Pastels. **Meredith Kocan** won first place in Pastels. **Olivia Nobles** won first place in Acrylics. **Madison Roberts** won second place in Acrylics. **Abby Rohde** won second place in Pastels and third place in Acrylics. **Beth Wyatt** won third place for her Printing work
- Students display their finished art projects in the Dolly Barranco Center (DBC) school year round.
- The DBC houses **Emily Starr's** (Class of 2011) donated art work titled "Lion and Lamb"; this art was framed by a parent, **Mr. Jaimes** as an in-kind gift to the school.
- Each year the students collectively create a stained glass window for the chapel. There are currently

four displayed in the windows. We will soon see a fifth masterpiece of the Holy Mother, Mary. Through the generosity of the **LoBello family**, each stained glass is beautifully framed for the final touch before hanging.

- Again this year all of our students participated in the Empty Bowls project by creating pottery bowls for the project and serving food on the event day.
- Advanced art students donated art pieces for the Monte Carlo silent auction held annually at Montgomery Catholic.
- Various pieces of artwork were juried at the Montgomery Museum of Fine Art.
- Art juried in National Publication.
- All art classes decorated gift bags for distribution in BBVA Compass Bank, Christmas for the Elderly.
- A large United States Flag was decorated by the students for the arrival of a military unit returning from deployment in Iraq.
- Scenery for the drama department plays is always created by Middle-High School art students. ·

**Joane Grant**  
*Art Instruction (7-12)*

## ELEMENTARY ART

The St. Bede Fine Arts Building for elementary students is always a busy, colorful, and fun place to be. We offer students many opportunities which allow them the freedom to fully express their creativity.

The following activities occurred during the 2011-2012 school year.

- The fall show, entitled "It's all About The Window" was a culmination of our study about Grant Wood and his famous painting "American Gothic."
- The spring art show, "Crazy Cactus" was a colorful display of whimsical paintings of cacti.
- Fall Family Art Night, "Chili, Cheese, and Christmas Cups," was catered by Chappy's Deli. Afterwards everyone was invited to paint ceramic Christmas mugs. Over 200 attended, including grandparents! Unfortunately, the spring art night was cancelled due to storm damage in the Fine Arts Building. We look forward to hosting both art nights during the 2012 - 2013 school year.

- We again sponsored the Ronald McDonald House Charities service project. The money earned from the pop tops collected went to help families of children who were in UAB Hospital.
- We were again fortunate to participate in the "Cartridges for Kids" recycling program. We collected old lap tops, ink cartridges, cell phones, and other electronic items for recycling. The cash we received for these items provided additional art supplies for our students.
- Having a separate, stand-alone ceramics studio on campus gives our students the opportunity to participate in numerous clay hand building and molding activities each year.
- To offer our support for the Catholic school community we decorated the lunch bags used for the parish spring festival.



Families exemplify the call in our mission to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ. They do it magnificently in giving of themselves to benefit others... our students!

I am grateful!

**Deborah Nix**  
*Art Instructor (K4-6)*

# Montgomery Catholic’s Anne Ceasar Named 2012 AAFLT Outstanding Administrator

Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School’s president Anne Ceasar was recently named as the Alabama Association of Foreign Language Teachers (AAFT) Outstanding Administrator for 2012 by the AAFT Board of Directors.

The Alabama Association of Foreign Language Teachers is a state-wide umbrella organization for the Alabama chapters of the American Association of Teachers of French, the American Association of Teachers of German, the American Association of Teachers of Italian, the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese, and the National Association of Self-Instructional Programs, as well as for the following local language groups: the Alabama Classical Association,

the Alabama Association of Foreign Languages in Elementary Schools, and the Alabama Association of Bilingual/English as a Second Language. Their purpose is to provide united action in promoting in the state of Alabama the effective teaching, study, and appreciation of foreign languages and cultures through the annual conference and other activities. AAFLT advocates the advancement of the study of languages, their literatures, and cultures at all levels of instruction.

Each year the AAFLT Board of Directors selects one administrator for their Annual Outstanding Administrator Award winner. Mrs. Ceasar was honored as the 2012 recipient at the AAFLT Conference luncheon held on the campus of Auburn Montgomery.



Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School president Anne Ceasar, the Alabama Association of Foreign Language Teacher’s 2012 Outstanding Administrator Award leads the students of Holy Spirit Elementary in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Redden and Quillin Receive Grant Awards

On September 26, 2011, Debbie Redden and Tammy Quillin were awarded the Jenice Riley Memorial Scholarship for \$1,000 from the Alabama Humanities Foundation (AHF). Debbie teaches Kindergarten, and Tammy teaches 3rd grade at the St. Bede Elementary campus.

The award helps Alabama teachers looking to further their professional development through attendance at seminars or institutes, the purchase of classroom materials, or in creating programs that enhance students’ understanding of history and civics.

The Jenice Riley Memorial Scholarship was created in memory of the late Jenice Riley, daughter of former Alabama Governor, Bob Riley and First Lady, Patsy Riley, for Jenice’s extraordinary commitment to enhancing the quality of education in Alabama.

Jenice Riley’s passion for teaching kindergarten infused her students with creativity and a desire to learn. She inspired her students, encouraged parents to get involved in their children’s education, and actively promoted better educational programs and disciplines within their community. AHF is honored to present the scholarship annually in her memory.

Tammy Quillin and Debbie Redden wrote the proposal to enable their kindergarten and third grade classes to attend American Village as a culmination of their study on Pilgrims and Native Americans at no cost to the students. Additionally they purchased audio visual materials to use in their classrooms for this unit.



Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School 6th grade teacher Mrs. Shelley Herbek with her Innovative Teacher Initiative Grant from the Junior League of Montgomery. (photo by Laurie Gulley)

## Shelley Herbek Recieves Innovative Teacher Initiative Grant from Junior League

Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School 6th grade teacher Mrs. Shelley Herbek was honored at a recent reception hosted by the Junior League of Montgomery as one of the Innovative Teacher Initiative grant recipients. Mrs. Herbek was one of six teachers in the River Region to receive a \$500 grant from the Junior League of Montgomery for their first annual award program. The winning grants must be used

for innovative projects, have real world application, enhance school curriculum, and have a direct impact on students. Mrs. Herbek plans to use this grant to purchase manipulatives, interactive software, and books for the award-winning St. Bede Science Olympiad team.

# Jesus Christ is the Center of Our Lives!

On one occasion our President, Anne Ceasar was asked, “What makes Montgomery Catholic unique?” to which she responded, “Our faith. We are unique because Jesus Christ is the center of everything we do at our school.”

One finds a true “uniqueness” at Catholic by merely passing through our four campuses. This “uniqueness” spills over into the student’s family life. The Holy Spirit dwells here and guides planning, teaching, learning, and moreover living out the gospel as best we can. It is an amazing and comforting environment to live in, and an encouragement in the ways Catholicity guides our school and enriches your future.

Students begin every school day with a morning prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. They pray throughout the day, before each class begins, and finish with an afternoon prayer before dismissal.

At week’s end, everyone attends Mass in a fashion that is inspiring. You can only melt as the little K4 through 6th graders process in with Mass day uniforms, innocence, and awe to worship. The preciousness of their lives explodes throughout the church.

A similar experience occurs in the Middle-High School Mass with boys dressed in shirt and tie and the girls in skirt/jumper uniforms; all carrying a dutiful and complete silence throughout the Dolly Barranco Center. Your daily or

Sunday Mass has never been this reverent.

Every meeting in our school opens with prayer whether it be an advisory board, PTC, or student government meeting, spring concert, or athletic event...we always begin with Him.

A larger time out for God is the annual spiritual retreats for each High School grade as well as one for faculty and staff. As we get caught up in our busy lives, we lament that there is no time for retreat. Yet amazingly we come back to school realizing we can get it all done and in much better fashion for having rested in His embrace.

The Lenten season revealed hungry, open hearts when a High School group of students asked if daily Mass during Lent was a possibility. WHAT!? We immediately consulted all deanery priests who agreed to make it happen. We will never forget the 30 to 40 students, parents, and teachers who came without fail everyday at 6:30 a.m.

Another spontaneous outreach in prayer was early in the year as everyone crouched in the halls with tornado warnings. It was mesmerizing as unsuspected rosaries began all through the schools...first by a few which gradually rose to unison. It was awesome and we believe that the protection over



the elementary students when part of the roof gave way was our Holy Mother’s intercession for their safety.

You might ask, “What becomes of all this scheduled prayer?” and we would answer that we increasingly witness His majesty over creation. We cannot deny

that God’s hand created every miraculous child we encounter. Our teachers could not provide the depth of wisdom, respect, and love without this realization. The privilege of watching them learn, embrace friendships with mutual respect, and excel is a true witness of what happens when we schedule time to pray. It grows into a habit which becomes a desire that blossoms into a second nature to walk with Jesus.

Perhaps you would pray with us as you can throughout the week. We are grateful in advance and certain of the forthcoming blessings via your prayerful presence in our lives.

**A MORNING PRAYER**  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday

**AN AFTERNOON PRAYER**  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday

**WEDNESDAYS**  
Rosary for Montgomery Catholic

**THURSDAYS**  
Join us for Mass at Holy Spirit at 8:15 a.m.

**FRIDAYS**  
Join us for Mass at St. Bede at 8:30 a.m. or Dolly Barranco Center at 10:10 a.m.



## All I really needed to know, I learned at Montgomery Catholic

In January, I joined the law firm Bradley, Arant, Boult, Cummings, LLP in Birmingham as an associate in the Governmental Affairs and Litigation Practice Groups. As a litigator and a lobbyist, my practice consists of representing clients before the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of state and federal governments. I also advise political action committees and corporations on campaign finance and ethics laws.

I frequently use skills that I first learned at St. Bede and developed more thoroughly at Catholic High and the Catholic University of America. Critical thinking was greatly emphasized

throughout my Catholic education. At Catholic High in particular, we were taught to read contextually and challenge assumptions. Whether we were analyzing a George Will editorial for Coach Arban, debating the principle of subsidiarity with Mr. Weber, or being deposed by Dr. Doyle on Newton's laws, we were forced to think and think hard.

We were also taught to think holistically. Though each class was isolated by subject matter, nothing was completely severed from the greater scheme. The education didn't stop at the mind and body; it also included the spirit. By merging intellect and virtue in its curriculum, Catholic taught us how to think and live and prepared us for matters well beyond academia.

As students at Catholic High, we also learned invaluable lessons from one another. Despite its small size, the student body was quite diverse. Though mostly Catholic, many different walks of life were present in each class. Co-existence occurred organically. Different

“...the unique lessons that are fundamental to a Catholic education have helped me every day in my practice, and I greatly value what I learned in Catholic schools.”

## Be True To Yourself

“To thine own self be true, and it must follow, as the day, the night, thou canst not then be false to any man.” That was the last piece of advice Polonius gave to his son Laertes in Shakespeare's famous play Hamlet. In any pursuit in life, being aligned with what is true is critical to the experience being one which allows for the individual to truly flourish. Catholicism points to what is the most important truth, the truth about our humanity: who we are, and how we are made to live. Just as human beings cannot be reduced to a simple formula on a piece of paper, nor can the grasp of the full truth of our humanity be reduced to the merely technical or practical aspects of education. If our understanding is going to be true, it must be comprehensive. The ultimate truth about God and man and the subordinate truths about the world must both be taught well in the classroom, but they must also be lived well in a culture that sustains and supports the teaching.

The Catholic school has a role to play in the evangelizing mission of the Church. Christ was concerned with the entire person, and so it follows that the Church and by extension the Catholic school shares that concern. In fact, the Vatican Congregation for Catholic Education states that ‘the promotion of the human person is the goal of Catholic



education.’ So it is not only the students’ minds which are formed, but the entire person. This goal stresses the students’ relationship with Christ, because ‘it is in His person that the fullness of the truth concerning man is to be found.’ Toward the goal of fostering a relationship with Christ, the Catholic school helps build a culture of vocation. A culture of vocation is one where people are thinking about their own vocation, and judging where they perceive God is calling them to be. Discerning a vocation is integral to Christianity and not some ancillary item which is attached for those who decide to pursue something extra. Love is particular, and if one is going to follow Christ, then that love will be expressed by service to Him in some particular way.

From the very beginning of any experience at MCPS, there should be an expectation of the sense of entering a new atmosphere, one illuminated

by faith and having distinct qualities. Along with the time spent in classroom instruction, a typical student is involved with other things individually or as a group: study, research, exercises, class meetings, school assemblies, relationships with teachers and many others. While the Catholic school is like any other school in the variety of activities that comprise a typical educational experience, there is one essential difference: it is informed and strengthened from the Gospel in which it is rooted. The principle that each human act is formative in the life of the human person and is caught up in one's relationship with God has clear applications to school life: school work done well and with good will; courage and perseverance in difficult situations; respect for teachers; loyalty toward and love for fellow students; sincerity in all relationships.

Education always presupposes and involves a definite concept of man and life. Catholic education seeks to avoid the popular modern fallacy of attempting to take a neutral approach to education, attending instead to a more decisive sphere of ultimate objectives, attending to not only the ‘how’, but also to the ‘why.’

Polonius would indeed be happy with our attempt at MCPS to be true to the reality about humanity and to impart that truth in its fullness to our students.

**Fr. Patrick Driscoll,**  
Pastor, Holy Spirit Catholic Church  
*Class of 1984*

## Sutton and Lopez Named Harbin Distinguished Service Award Winners



Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School's 2012 Charlie Harbin Distinguished Service Award winners Jerry Lopez and Liz Sutton. Photo by Kimberly Bethea, The Studio at EastChase.

Liz Sutton and Jerry Lopez were recently honored by Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School as the 2012 Charlie Harbin Distinguished Service Award winners for their volunteerism to the school. The Charlie Harbin Distinguished Service Award was established by the Harbin family and awarded by the school to recognize those selfless individuals who have significantly served Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School and exemplified its values in their lives. Liz Sutton and Jerry Lopez are certainly the model of selfless giving for their tireless work and volunteerism for Montgomery Catholic.

Liz Sutton, a 1977 graduate of Montgomery Catholic and parent of alumni, founded Partners In Catholic Education (PICE) in 1995 as a way to bring together business leaders with a mission to support Catholic education at her Alma Mater. A successful business leader in our community, Liz is the owner of Alabama World Travel and Sutton & Associates in Montgomery.

A retired United States Air Force Colonel, businessman, and parent of Montgomery Catholic alumni, Jerry Lopez has been an active leader with Partners In Catholic Education since it began. Jerry's leadership has been the driving force of PICE's success in all of their projects which ultimately benefit the school and students.

Sutton and Lopez have co-chaired the Partners In Catholic Education (PICE) annual golf tournament since it began in 2000. Together they are a formidable team, with the golf tournament raising over \$600,000 to date and still going strong.



## Montgomery Catholic Honors Students at High School Academic Awards Ceremony

Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School recently honored their top High School students at the annual Academic Awards Ceremony held in the Dolly Barranco Activity Center. Many honors were bestowed including the most outstanding student in each subject area. These students are **Barbara Bradley** in Foreign Language and English, **Josh Stark** in Science, Joseph Sutton in Social Studies, **Lexie Segrest** in Theology, **Joseph Sutton** in the area of Performing Arts, **Zach Hulcher** in Mathematics, and **David Norris** in Technology.

The senior members of the Loretto chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS) were recognized, as well as the newest members of NHS, during the ceremony. **Michael Moussalli** and **Maddie O'Mara** were recognized for their membership in the National French Honor Society.

During the course of the school year, many students participated in academic competitions and were recognized for their successes. Six students participated in the National French Contest and ranked 34th or above for students across the United States and 28th or above in the state of Alabama: **Derek Kelly** and **Monica Poole** for French I, **Maddie O'Mara** and **Willie Ravelo** in French II. Two French III students who ranked both on a state and national level are **Michael Moussalli** and **Megan Karst**. Michael ranked 15th in the state and 19th in the US, and Megan ranked 16th in the state and 20th in the U.S.

Montgomery Catholic's award winning Science Olympiad team was recognized. Certificates were given to **Zach Hulcher** and **Maddie O'Mara** for their success at the state Science Olympiad competition.



Both Zach and Maddie received \$11,000 renewable scholarships to Huntingdon College for their top placement in the Dynamic Planet competition.

Montgomery Catholic had 90 students who participated in the American Mathematics Competition (AMC) 10 and 12 this year. **Mandy Jones, Willie Ravelo, Jinah Kim, Linda Zhang,** and **Forest Phillips** were recognized for their top scores on the AMC.

Montgomery Catholic's Key Club members accumulated over 1,200

service hours to the Montgomery community this year. There were nine students who gave over 50 hours of their time during this school year. They were **Briana Rudolph, Erin Williams, Chance Williams, Jasmine Ellington, Anna Vail Chancey, Katherine Terino, Jasmine Rush, Jarrett Mason, Sarabeth Parker, Michaela Armstrong, Dylan Craig, Andrea Hayes,** and **Derek Kelly**.

Students who have the largest increase in their grade point averages from the first semester of the previous year to the end of the first semester of the current year are recognized as the Most Improved Students in the sophomore, junior, and senior grade levels. The most improved sophomore is **Mary Grace Brown**. The most improved junior is **Jinah Kim**. The most improved senior is **Steve Brown**.

Students with the highest grade point average for each High School grade level were also recognized. The most outstanding freshman is **Leo Petters**. The most outstanding sophomore is **Maddie O'Mara**. The most outstanding junior is **Zach Hulcher**. The most outstanding senior and the Valedictorian for the class of 2012 is **Kevin Norris**. Kevin was appointed to the United States Naval Academy.

Honor roll certificates for both the A and A/B honor rolls were given to those students who attained A or A/B honor roll throughout the school year for each grade level. The Joe Arban Perfect Attendance Award was given to **Maddie O'Mara** for her perfect attendance this year.

The evening culminated with two of the highest awards given at Montgomery Catholic: Leader of the Year and the Ideal Graduate. **Mrs. Fran Taylor**, High School principal, awarded the Montgomery Catholic Leader of the Year award to **Barbara Bradley**. Barbara



has served the school in numerous leadership positions throughout her school career.

**Mrs. Anne Ceasar**, president, awarded the Montgomery Catholic Ideal Graduate Award to the student who embodies the overall qualities and talents of an ideal graduate. **Lexie Segrest** was named as the Ideal Graduate at Montgomery Catholic. Lexie has served in many leadership positions throughout her High School career.

## Three Montgomery Catholic Students Qualify for National Merit Scholarship Program

Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School students Megan Karst, Zachary Hulcher, and Giselle Simms have qualified for the National Merit Scholarship Program, which seeks to identify and honor academically talented young people across the nation.

Of the 1.5 million entrants, some 50,000 with the highest PSAT/NMSQT Selection Index scores qualify for recognition in the National Merit Scholarship Program.

High-scoring participants from every state are invited to name two colleges and universities to which they would like to be referred by the National Merit Scholarship Committee. In September, these high scorers are notified through their schools that they have qualified as either a Commended Student or Semifinalist.



Megan Karst



Zachary Hulcher



Giselle Simms



## Senator Shelby Nominates National Merit Finalist, Kevin Norris to the US Naval Academy

On March 13, 2012 Kevin Norris, a 2012 graduate of Montgomery Catholic was nominated by US Senator Richard Shelby (R-AL) to the U.S. Naval Academy. Kevin is the son of Lawrence and Stacey Norris.

"Furthering one's education at one of our nation's service academies is remarkable," said Shelby. "Kevin has shown exemplary performance in the classroom and in his extracurricular activities. The selection process for the academies is extremely competitive, and I am pleased to be able to nominate Kevin to the U.S. Naval Academy."

Kevin met all requirements by being a resident of Alabama, completing the required ACT and SAT exams, provided letters of recommendation and school transcript, completed medical examination, and completed the required application form.

Earlier in the year Kevin was named a National Merit Scholarship Finalist. The officials of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) announced the names of approximately 16,000 semifinalists in the 57th annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

To be considered for a Merit Scholarship award, semifinalists must fulfill

several requirements to advance to the Finalist level of the competition. The preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test serves as an initial screening of program entrants. In addition to the test scores, the student's academic record, community involvement, leadership ability, and personal essay are considered when determining semifinalists.

Montgomery Catholic is proud to have Kevin honor our school with his accomplishments mentioned here as well as his performance throughout the years in athletics, leadership and general interactions with the student body and faculty.

Moreover, his faith practices were a model to his peers and inspiring to all.

We recently talked with his parents Stacey and Larry Norris. "Kevin reported to USNA on June 28th to start Plebe Summer which is a time of military indoctrination similar to boot camp. We visited him the weekend of August 12th. and it was wonderful to see him!!...Kevin is proud to have survived the summer and is looking forward to school starting on August 20th. We will be able to see him again at Thanksgiving." ·

# Catholic’s DuBois Elected 2013 Youth Governor at 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Legislature Conference

The 64th annual Youth Legislature Conference convened at the Alabama Statehouse in Montgomery during the weekend of Friday, February 24 through Sunday, February 26, 2012.

Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School middle school delegates in attendance on Friday were: **Brian Anderson, Agnes Armstrong, Emily Barranco, Madison Bednarz, Kathleen Beesley, Courtney Brodgen, Abaigeal Gilbert, Cheyenne Hayes, Steven Higgins, Kyle Hines, Haleigh Huggins, Emily Lafreniere, Aubrey Lenn, Zenia Mims, Ledariane Moore, Nadine Moussalli, James Sadie, Madison Searcy, Olivia Stephenson, and Omari Vaughans.** **James Sadie** was elected and served as the Assistant Floor Leader. **Cheyenne Hayes** received an Outstanding Statesman award. **Brian Anderson** was selected Most Outstanding Statesman.

High school delegates from all over the state met in the chambers of the House of Representatives and Senate to debate and vote on bills they had written. Governor Robert Bentley and Judge Tommy Bryan were both in attendance to welcome the delegates and inspire them to stay involved with our representative government and to lead by example.

Representing Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School were officers **Chad DuBois** as House Pro Tem and **Hannah Masingill** as the House Floor Leader. Members of the House of Representatives from Catholic included **Megan Karst, Katie Lafreniere, Seamus McGuire, Taylor Pitters, Jack Starr, and Natalie Sullivan.** Members of the Senate were **David Norris, Kevin Norris, Paul Overton, Stefan Perritano, and Cameron Powell.** **Charcille Randall** was a delegate in the First Year Chamber.



Montgomery Catholic’s Chad DuBois as he is sworn into office as the 2013 Alabama Youth Governor. (Photo by Sue Terino)

Students from Montgomery Catholic had a very successful weekend. House Bill #40, entitled the Mandatory Storm Shelters for Trailer Parks Act, written by **Chad DuBois** and **Megan Karst,** passed in both the House and Senate and received an Outstanding Bill award.

**Chad DuBois** and **Hannah Masingill** were selected to attend the Council on National Affairs (CONA), which took place in July at the YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly in Blue Ridge, North Carolina. **Jack Starr** was selected as an alternate for this program.

Elections were held for officers who will serve at the 2013 Youth Legislature Conference, and again the Montgomery Catholic students were rather successful. In his first election, **Paul Overton** won his race and will serve as the Senate Floor Leader. In a highly contested election, **Chad DuBois** was elected to serve as the 2013 Alabama Youth Governor!

DuBois has been involved with every Youth in Government program the YMCA offers and has held numerous offices and duties within each of these programs. “I absolutely love Youth in Government. It has been a major part of my life for the past five years, and I can honestly say from the people I have met to the experiences it has offered, I’m a different person because of it,” said DuBois. Chad is the son of Mike and Cindy DuBois of Montgomery. ·

## Art Students Display Talent and Serve the Community

Art students from the high school participated in the 5th Annual Empty Bowls Project, a fundraiser for the Montgomery Area Food Bank. Empty Bowls originated as an art assignment at a Michigan high school to raise money for their local food bank through the crafting of ceramic pottery bowls. From there, the project caught on in communities across the country.

Montgomery artist and Holy Spirit parishoner, Margaret Barber was asked to contribute her works to an Empty Bowls

project in another community for several years until she founded the same project for the Montgomery Area Food Bank five years ago. It continues to grow each year.

High school art students from Montgomery Catholic and other area schools have created and donated hand-crafted bowls to the event for several years. This year, in addition to their artistic donations, ten students volunteered to serve lunch at the event with their instructor, Ms. Joane Grant. ·



# STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2011-2012

## MIDDLE / HIGH SCHOOL

**ARTS**  
Montgomery Youth Orchestra  
**Will Brunson** and **Brian Lee**  
Alabama National Fair Watercolor and Overall Artwork  
**Migyn Kim**, First Place; **David Babb**, Second place in Watercolor; **Audrey Kim** won Division I for 7th - 9th grades in Opaque and Watercolor; **Jinah Kim** won third place in Pastels; **Meredith Kocan** won first place in Pastels; **Olivia Nobles** won first place in Acrylics; **Madison Roberts** won second place in Acrylics; **Abby Rohde** won second place in Pastels and third place in Acrylics; **Beth Wyatt** won third place for her Printing work

**ATHLETICS**  
U.S. Under-15 Girls' National Soccer Team: **Jennifer Westendorf**  
State Champion 1600 Meter Indoor Track and Field: **Skip Martin**  
State 4 X 800 Relay Team: **Connor Champion, Skip Martin, Jarrett Mason** and **Matt Pouncey**  
State Wrestling Champion: **Zachary VanAlst**

**HONORS**  
Alabama Youth Governor 2013: **Chad DuBois**  
National Merit Scholarship Finalist: **Kevin Norris**  
National Merit Qualifiers: **Zach Hulch, Giselle Simms,** and **Megan Karst**  
United States Naval Academy Appointment: **Kevin Norris**  
Eagle Scouts: **Tyler Parrish** and **Matt Mills**

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**ART**  
Archdiocesan Serra Club poster contest winners: **Ricky Treloar** (5th grade) and **Annabel Starrett** (6th grade)

**ATHLETICS**  
Top runners exceeded the goal of running 25 miles for the school year: **Austin Cleghorn** (3rd grade), **Josef Seale** (2nd grade), and **Cameron Koepele** (3rd grade)  
Lowndes Academy Bowl Winner: **Montgomery Catholic Pee Wee football team**

**ENGLISH**  
School Wide Elementary Spelling Bee Winner: **Annabel Starrett** (6th grade) who also competed in the city-wide bee.  
Most Accelerated Reader: **Annabel Starret** (6th. Grade)  
Ben and Alice Tokarz Memorial Scholarship awarded each year by the Knights of Columbus  
**Luke Craig** (6th grade) with almost a perfect score

WSFA 12 News and Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Alabama's "Future Black Leaders of Alabama": **Kenneth Dickerson**, Winner

**MATH & SCIENCE**  
Best Robotics 6th overall in region: **Dylan Craig, Giselle Simms,**and **Marissa Craig** - 1st in web site design; **Danielle Hincapie** - 3rd in T-Shirt design; **Catherine Edwards**, Leader - 3rd in Marketing Booth; **Aisha Lee** - 4th in Engineering Notebook

University of Alabama Math Tournament: **MCPS High School placed 3rd.**  
Alabama State University High School Math and Computing Olympiad: **David Norris, Spencer Starr,** and **Seamos McGuire** - 1st in Alice Programming  
**Willie Ravelo, Zach Hulcher,** and **Leo Petters** - 3rd in Mathematics

Alabama State High School Mathematics Contest: **9th in the state and best in central Alabama.**  
Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics, and Science (TEAMS) competition: **1st in state for the 9th-10th level, 3rd in state for the 11th-12th grade level**

State Science Olympiad **First Place Medalists:**  
**Zach Hulcher** and **Maddie O’Mara**  
First Annual Summer Science Institute at Auburn University:  
**Maddie O’Mara** - One of 25 selected, and one of only two from Montgomery  
Can-Structure Competition: **MCPS 3rd place**

**MATH & SCIENCE**  
Elementary Science Olympiad in Jacksonville, Alabama: **MCPS St. Bede Elementary 3rd. place.**  
University of West Alabama Elementary Science Olympiad Competition: **MCPS St. Bede Elementary took 1st. place**  
Montgomery Area Math Contest: **Henry Petters** (6th grade) was the top-scorer

**MATH LEAGUE COMPETITION**  
**4TH Grade Results**  
1ST Place **Claire Wilson**;  
2ND Place **Scott Nation, Eric Shin**;  
3RD Place **Katie Rose Perkins**;  
4TH Place **Charlie O’Donnell, Patrick Whetstone**; 5TH Place **Anna DuBois**  
**5TH Grade Results:**  
1ST Place **Anna Catherine Barranco**;  
2ND Place **Chloe Smith, Matthew Klinger**; 3RD Place **Jacob Flowers**;  
4TH Place **Hunter Vaccaro, Maddie Henderson, Emily Clare Talbot, Annie Bach**; 5TH Place **Zoe Rutland, Ricky Treolor, Sydney Downes, Cameron White**  
**6TH Grade Results:**  
1ST Place **Henry Petters**; 2ND Place **Wesley Domsalla**; 3RD Place **Luke Craig**; 4TH Place **Christian Caudill, Mary Brunson, Annabel Starett, Jenni Morgan**



Travis Jerome, Athletic Director

"It's God who arms me with strength and makes my way perfect. He makes my feet just like the feet of a deer; he enables me to face at the heights. He trains my hands for battle; my arms can bend a bow of bronze. You give me your shield of victory, and your right hand sustains me; you stoop all the way down to make me great. You broaden the trail beneath me, in order that my ankles don't turn." - Psalm 18:32-36. The sun has set on an unprecedented season of Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School athletics, while the sun is rising on the 2012-13 athletic seasons with the bar raised.

Last season, the Knights' athletic department grabbed five different individual state championships and a team state runner-up finish in the fall. The individual titles began in February.

- **Skip Martin**, a rising senior claimed the 1600-meter state championship for Class 3A at the indoor state track and field state championships
- **Skip Martin, Jarrett Mason, Matt Pouncey**, and **Connor Wright** captured the 4x800-meter indoor state track and field championship.
- Rising eighth-grader **Zachary Van Alst** became the first wrestler from Montgomery Catholic to capture a state championship as an individual, winning the 106-pound weight class in his first year of varsity wrestling.
- The **indoor track and field** season captured state titles in the same events during the outdoor season. The relay team, with the win, has captured the last three state titles in the 4x800-meter relay dating back to the outdoor season of 2011.



# The Call to Be our Best

- The **boys cross country** team finished second to eventual state champion Randolph.
- Rising senior **Jarrett Mason** paced the Knights as he finished in the top five in the state during the meet earning All-State honors.

Although the sun has set on last season, the honors still keep coming in for the upcoming season for the Knights ...

A pair of student-athletes has left their mark on recruiting services across the country and has earned the highest ranking possible for their class – the top spot on the recruiting board.

- **James Sherman**, a Class of 2014 graduate, has been named a five-star recruit by Chris Sailer Kicking and has earned the top spot for kickers in that class. He is the only five-star recruit listed on the board by the organization with ties to Rivals, Scout.com and ESPN.

- **Jennifer Westendorf** has been named the top student-athlete for the Class of 2016 in girls soccer by TopDrawerSoccer.com. She has earned the spot by playing on the U15 National Team and last year finished in the top 50 in the nation with 38 goals for Montgomery Catholic – her first season of varsity competition for the Knights.

Although individual honors are nice, both of those student-athletes understand the importance of the “team” game, and those begin in earnest during the month of August in three sports – cross country, football, and volleyball.

With the new school year comes new classification for Montgomery Catholic athletics.

The Knights' football team will also be facing new opponents this season, including adding Alabama Christian Academy back on the schedule for the 2012 season in week five. Montgomery

Catholic will no longer have to travel the miles that have been logged over the previous two years as they move from the coast to the Wiregrass. The Knights will face region opponents Abbeville, Barbour County, Dale County, Daleville, Geneva, Pike County, and Slocomb over the next two years. Meanwhile in all other sports – with the exception of soccer – the Knights will face Abbeville, Barbour County and Pike County in area play.

And all of our outdoor sports will get a chance to play on playing surfaces that were just revamped by Warner Athletics Construction over the summer. The company came in and top-graded all four playing surfaces in our athletic facility, which was followed by TurfPro taking care of the grass on the surfaces – which they will do all year. However, the fields were not the only surfaces that were worked on this summer. The gym is getting a facelift this summer with work on the floor to get it ready for volleyball and basketball seasons.

We are proud to announce the introduction of the first Pee wee and Termite football teams for elementary students in the River Region. Our boys were eager to play and their families were enthusiastically supportive. It was such a great success that other area schools followed suit with their own programs.

From a season of firsts in 2011-12 to a season of optimism in 2012-13 ... Montgomery Catholic athletics strives to be the best in any realm in which they compete.

**GO KNIGHTS!!!**





The 2011-2012 school year was an historic one for the MCPS Band. At the start of the school year, membership and participation in the Marching Knights tripled from the previous year. In October, the Marching Knights competed at the Huntingdon Invitational Marching Competition. Not only was this the first appearance of Montgomery Catholic at a marching band competition, but one with outstanding success.

- The band received a Superior rating by the panel of judges.
- Drum Major **Joseph Sutton** was named Best-in-Class Drum Major, receiving a higher score than any other drum major at the competition.

Also in October, the MCPS Band held our annual Fall Concert, the first concert band performance of the year. This concert featured our Middle and High School students performing a large variety of music literature and was a great success. Additionally we were honored to have two band members selected for the *Montgomery Youth Orchestra*.

**Will Brunson**  
**Brian Lee**

In late November, the band's annual Christmas Concert was held. This was the first performance for the **6th grade Beginning Band students**, and they began their musical careers with much acclaim and applause.

In December, a group of students from our Middle School campus represented Montgomery Catholic at the *2011 Southeastern United States Middle School Honor Bands* at Troy University. These students applied and were selected from a very large body of applicants from around the Southeast.

**Brian Brunson**  
**Lorie Moody**  
**Audrey Kim**  
**Eric Crenshaw**  
**Logan Stevens**

In January, a total of 33 of our band students were selected to participate in the *First Annual Capitol City Private School Honor Bands*. These students did a terrific job at this event and represented Montgomery Catholic well among their peers from around the community.



Also in January, a record number of our band members auditioned for the *Alabama All-District and All-State Honor Bands*. Hundreds of students from our area of the state try out for these highly competitive ensembles, and an above-average number of our students earned a place in them. Selected for the *All-District Honor Band* were:

**Adam Bristol**  
**Will Brunson**  
**Eric Crenshaw**  
**Justis Davis**  
**Brian Lee**  
**Josh Stark**  
**Mary Reagan Starrett**  
**Logan Stevens**  
**Joseph Sutton**

Selected for the very prestigious *All-State Honor Band* were:

**Brian Lee**, 11th chair middle school clarinet

**Joseph Sutton**, 4th chair high school trombone

In February, three students were selected for the *2012 Southeastern United States High School Honor Bands* at Troy University.

**Justis Davis**  
**Joshua Stark**  
**Joseph Sutton**

Also during this month, several of our Middle and High School Band members were accepted to the *2012 Auburn University Symphonic Honor Bands*:

**Jennifer Doan**  
**Ashley Kim**  
**Lorie Moody**  
**Mary Reagan Starrett**  
**William Russell**

Montgomery Catholic was represented at the *27th Annual Alabama Honor Band Festival* in Tuscaloosa by:

**Will Brunson**

In March, the MCPS Concert Band performed at the Alabama Bandmasters Music Performance Assessment in Auburn. The band received scores of Excellent from the judges on their stage performance and an impressive score of Superior in the Sight-reading portion of the event.



In April, many of our band members performed at the **Alabama Bandmasters Solo and Ensemble Competition**. These students performed a challenging music repertoire for discerning judges as soloists or in small groups, and they earned Excellent and Superior ratings too numerous to list.

In May, the band capped off a great year with our annual Spring Concert. This event featured the **Beginning, Intermediate, Advanced, Concert, and Jazz Bands**. Not only was this one of the most-attended performances in the band's history, but it also featured the most musically advanced and challenging repertoire that the band has ever performed.

Looking forward, we are excited for the 2012-2013 school year and are preparing to make even greater strides to well represent Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School in the city of Montgomery and the state of Alabama.

**Alex Johnson**,  
*Director of Bands*

# ‘Development’ is a Ministry

Congruent with most non-profits, the question, “What is development?” often rises at Montgomery Catholic, especially when new campaigns begin. It is a valid question.

The purpose of development is to advance our mission through the invitation for all constituents to give as they can. Advancement is a team effort through development, public relations, and enrollment for the sake of sustaining and improving Catholic education for students to become leaders of tomorrow.

Henri Nouwen effectively brings us back home in his remarks about relationships which are the essence of development.

Those who need money and those who can give money meet on the common ground of God’s love. Asking people for money is giving them the opportunity to put their resources at the disposal of the Kingdom....Development is not an adjunct to good works of the institute. It is a good work of the institute. It is a form of ministry and as so can be “as spiritual as giving a sermon, entering a time of prayer, visiting the sick, or feeding the hungry” (The Spirituality of Fundraising www.HenriNouwen.org).

We cannot assume what you can give; however, we do assume that everyone can give something. We remain a community dedicated to fostering the needs of everyone who are one body in Christ.

**Giving...THIS IS CATHOLIC!**



# LETTING YOUR LIGHT SHINE

“This Little Light of Mine...I’m gonna let it shine!” That sweet song stays in the forefront of my memories of growing up and came straight to mind as I began to write this article.

As children we are taught how important our good works are in making God happy. Then as we grow older, we sometimes make that simple message so complicated, believing that doing things of extraordinary proportions in the eyes of others are the only things that count in making a difference.

These thoughts resonate in our Torch Bearers Campaign. As we work to define the MCPS charism, the annual fund was purposefully named Torch Bearers with a specific intent...that our gifts are one way to carry His light. How so?

Our mission “to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ” is central to all that we do at Montgomery Catholic and is

recognized as the evangelization arm of the Church in all Catholic education. In your relationship with our school, you have some degree of faith in that mission. To whatever degree you are able, we hope you will help us carry His light.

We are often asked, “Why a gift after I pay tuition?” Tuition is required to enroll a student and provide education. A gift is something we choose to enrich the school and make better opportunities for our students. No matter the size of your gift, it is important. Extraordinary is in the eyes of the donor, not the observers. For that reason our annual



gifts range from \$25 to \$10,000....each of them being an honor to receive.

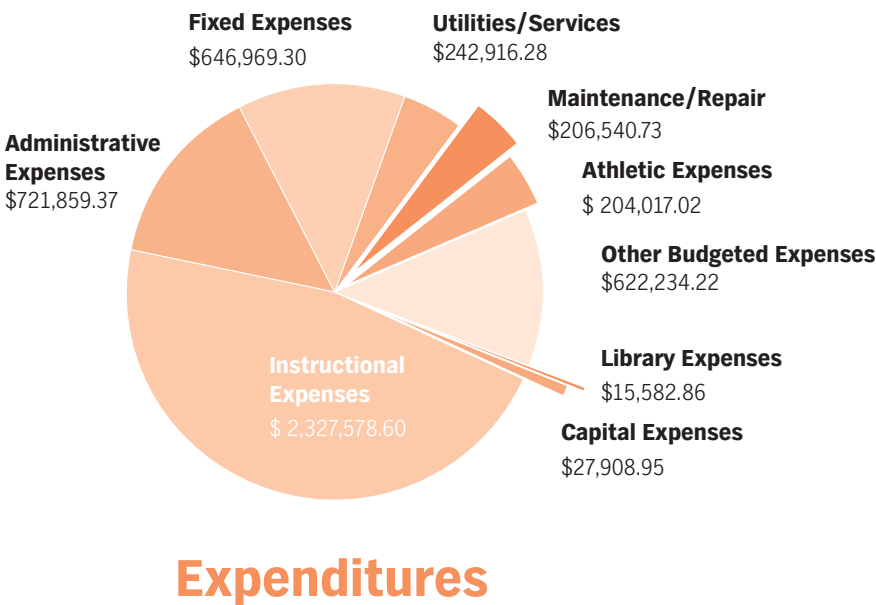
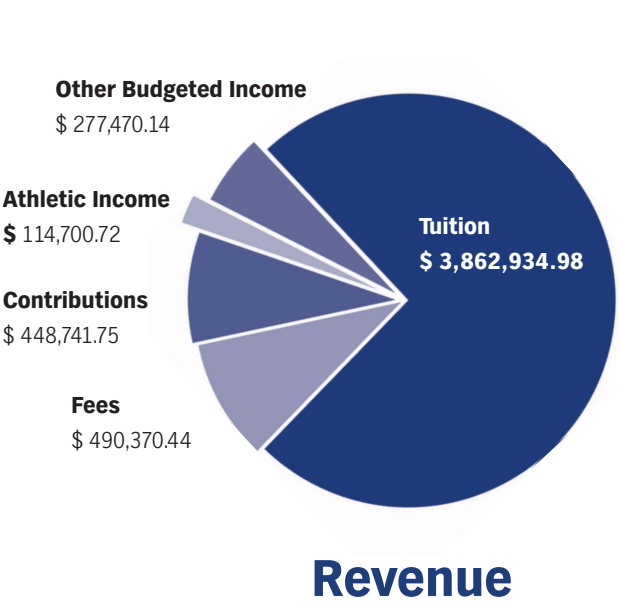
Therein is the reason “This Little Light of Mine” seems so instructive...God knows that your gift of light needs to shine, and in a childlike spirit we pray that you will offer a gift.

Whether you are a parent, alumni, faculty, staff, grandparent, or community friend, please consider how you will be a Torch Bearer, and “Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven” Matthew 5:16.

Consider the effect when we all give light to our school. Today we are a bright spot in the community. Tomorrow we can be brilliant!

**Anna Lee Ingalls,**  
*Director of Development*

# Financial Report 2011-2012



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Consider how you will give through Torch Bearers this year. Unrestricted gifts continue to be optimal by allowing the school to direct funds to the greatest need. However if you prefer a designated gift, please call the director of development to discuss how your gift can be most effective.



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Partners in Catholic Education (PICE) was established in 1995 to bridge the Catholic Community with St. Bede School. PICE now supports the Montgomery Catholic educational community with the following annual projects: Annual Golf Tournament, Career Day for the Middle School, and Senior Success Forum.



- Committed \$60,000 to Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School Capital Campaign (2007-2011). Contributed \$20,000 in 2007, \$10,000 in 2008, 2009 and 2010
- Smart Boards for MCPS – total of eleven for campus, four for HS, two for MS, and five for St Bede campus-\$40,000 (2007)
- MCPS St. Bede Campus renovation-\$38,000 for new front windows, carpeting, and paint (2006)
- MCPS high school computers-\$10,000 (2006-2007)
- MCPS High School/Middle School Band uniforms-\$12,500 (2005)
- MCPS St. Bede Campus Art Center renovation (painting, flooring, windows, kiln) \$5000 (2005)

Other Contributions

- Family Life Center contribution/new school gym \$30,000
- The Learning Courtyard-Noah's Ark wall, courtyard equipment and landscaping
- Bibles for classrooms so that each child would have one
- MCPS Booster Club donation \$1,000
- Principal's, Bookkeeper's, School Lobby and Teachers' Lounge renovation–furniture and painting
- Resource Teacher equipment
- RIZZO machine drum
- St. Bede stage refinishing-\$2,000
- Computer chairs for computer lab and all classrooms
- CD burners for computer lab
- New computers for music program
- Lunchroom stainless steel tables
- Kitchen freezer-(partnership with PTC)-\$5,000
- Computer lab computers and color printer (partnership with PTC) \$8,000
- Science Lab-microscope, lab equipment, and bar stools

Events

- Annual Golf Tournament (2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011)
- Career Day for Middle School (2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009)
- Senior Success Forum for High School Seniors (2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012)
- Career Day for Sophomores (2012)
- Pancake Supper (2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005)
- Sponsor of New Orleans Dinner (2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004)
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- Fall Courtyard Clean-up (2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006)

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## Saturday, February 9, 2013

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It's a great night for great fun and a great way to support Montgomery Catholic!

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- Band Program, marimba and other instruments
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- Middle School Girls' Sports
- Partial Golf team expenses
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- Tandem Target Challenger for Volleyball
- Tuition Assistance
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GIVING  
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Dr. John Palmer Cottingham, Jr.

Class of 1953

Dr. John Palmer Cottingham, Jr. passed away after a long illness on Tuesday, November 29, 2011. He was the beloved husband of Maria Larrain Cottingham for 52 years and father of Jay Cottingham, Blair Cottingham (Judy) and Kristin Ingram (Bay). He was the son of John

P. Cottingham, Sr. and Mary Edna Cottingham, Dr Cottingham was a native of Montgomery, AL and a resident of Slidell, LA since 1963. He graduated from Catholic High School in 1953 and Loyola University Dental School in New Orleans, LA in 1961. He served as a Captain in the US Army for 2 years, was a former President of the Slidell Rotary Club, and coach at SYFA and SBBA for several years. With his dental practice and his

involvement in the Slidell community, Dr. Cottingham shared his love, compassion, and friendship with many people whose lives he touched. He was an avid sportsman who enjoyed fishing and hunting with his friends and family.



Jacob Edward Sadler

Class of 2001

November 19, 1982 – May 29, 2011

Jacob Edward Sadler attended elementary through high school graduation at Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School.

Afterwards, he lived and worked in Bad Segeberg, Germany, where he spent most of his free time exploring Germany, Denmark, Italy, the Netherlands, and Austria. In Rome, Jake visited the Vatican and attended an audience with Pope John Paul II. He especially enjoyed the museums of Vienna.

Upon his return home, he attended the University of Montevallo for two years and then moved to Telluride, Colorado. He was captivated by the Rocky Mountains and had a passion for snowboarding. His

appreciation for the natural beauty of the outdoors led to his other passion of rock climbing and repelling the rock faces of the mountains. He also enjoyed skydiving in Utah. I asked him once if he was ready for summer and he said, “Yes, but I am not ready for the winter to end.”

Jake was fearless in his lifestyle, finding great enjoyment in life on the edge. On May 29, 2011, his thrill for the daring took his life in a motorcycle accident.

Donations in Jacob’s memory helped fund educational programs at DeSoto State Park’s Nature Center and provided benches for the Palisades Park playgrounds near Oneonta where Jacob and his friends enjoyed rock climbing and rapelling.

Jake’s charismatic personality drew people to him. He always created a

good time and frequently cut up with his coworkers at Chappy’s Deli while he provided the best service to his customers. Jake dearly loved his family and friends and was especially close to his brother, Wallace, sister-in-law, Amy, and precious niece, Avery. Wallace and Amy honored Jacob by giving Avery’s sister, Aubrey, the middle name Jes, which are Jacob’s initials.



James Michael Thorp Jr.

Class of 2007

May 2, 1989 -October 26, 2011

Michael Thorp is the son and only child of Sue Marion and Jim Thorp. Michael attended Montgomery Catholic from the seventh grade through high school graduation in 2007. He left his footprint in the school in a memorable way. Friends recall Michael as someone who made everyone feel as if they were the most important person in his life. They especially admired his outreach to those students who may have been overlooked by others with his exuberant spirit for life. He had a dynamic personality and was truly one of a kind.

Dressing well was important to Michael, he felt that it was always key to look his best and put his best foot forward. In fact doing his best was the core of Michael’s life. He loved playing sports and wore the blue and gold for the Knights in football and basketball. His passion was basketball where he excelled breaking three school records before graduation. In his career Michael Thorp surpassed the 1,000-point mark for his career, held the highest field goal percentage, the highest three point field goals attempted in career, and the highest three point field goal percentage. He was #23 on the basketball court and created a name



for himself in Montgomery. He adored going to Auburn football games with his dad and joining all the Tiger fans with as much gusto as he could muster for the team.. a unique dedication while attending the University of Alabama.

Michael loved his mom with an endearment larger than life. He outwardly appreciated her unfaltering love and support for him, frequently expressing how much she meant to him.

He stood as a definite role model for his cousins, Autumn, Clayton, & Ashley, creating and upholding a special bond, such a bond that he took them on as brother and sisters. They pride themselves on leading a positive role in society as he has taught them to do.

Michael has such an incredible uplifting spirit that it is by no accident he created the name he had. He left us with a special place in our hearts because of the person he was. This we can never forget and his passion for life will live forever through the bonds of the people who he knew. That bond was extended through Christ, his love for the Lord was evident and increased exponentially in the last years of his life. People close to him were able to experience the good feeling and hope the Lord gave Michael. His family and friends will never forget this extraordinary man!



Lawrence Carroll McGinn Class of 1947

December 20, 1929 - June 30, 2012

Larry was born in Birmingham to Louise (Osment) and Michael E. McGinn and named after Rt. Rev. Lawrence Carroll from Massachusetts and pastor of Blessed Sacrament Church, Birmingham. Larry, his future wife, Yvonne (Bunny) Laun, and his sister, Louise McGinn Arnold attended Loretto.

The first football team was established in 1945 with Larry as team captain for two consecutive years. He also served as VP of the Latin Club, Mardi Gras representative, and later as Mardi Gras King, May Crowning King, and basketball captain. He won a scholarship as one of the top ten from Alabama in Pepsi Cola competition.

Larry was the 1950 Montgomery Davis Cup tennis winner. At Spring Hill College he was Student Council and Class president, selected for Alpha Sigma Nu (an honorary Jesuit Fraternity), played in intramural championship football, basketball, and golf, was selected to Who’s Who, graduated cum laude in 1951 with highest honors in deportment, and the Matt Rice Service award for greatest service to Spring Hill. Three generations

of our family attended Spring Hill – Larry, daughter, Melanie, nephews, Jack and Jim Arnold, and grandson, Geoffrey (Melanie’s son).

Larry was an Army Officer in Korea. After returning home in 1954 he managed a family business, Bass Lumber Company in Wetumpka and later a pallet plant, retail building materials business and part owner in 3 sawmills in Alabama.

In 1955 he was officer in PAB Club (Catholic Singles Social Club) and President of Catholic Men’s Club in 1957. He married Yvonne in 1958 and raised 4 children, Beth, Melanie, Mike, and Pat, who all graduated from St. Bede School and Catholic High. As a long time member he served his church in many ways such as the Finance Council, building Committee, and Catholic Charities Chairman. He served as Wetumpka Lions Club President and was on the board many years.

Larry enjoyed his work and loved his church and was instrumental in expansion projects at St. Bede Church, school and MCPS. He will be remembered by all his family and friends by his positive and loving personality.

Laura Lynne Allen

Class of 1996

January 13, 1978 – March 12, 2012

Can you pick out Laura? She is the one “out of uniform” with the big smile on her face.

We chose this picture to remember her by because she is in the middle of all her family who she loves so much and who

will always love her and hold her close to our hearts.

Laura graduated from Catholic High in 1996. After college she worked as a legal assistant but her enduring love was art and photography. Her paintings and numerous photographs she left us are inspiring and heartwarming and seem to reach out to us and draw us into to her embrace whenever we look at them.



Laura remains very much alive in each of our hearts and will always be with us. Hardly a day goes by that one of us does not see Laura in something around us and comment that “Laura would like that—Laura would laugh at that—Laura would want to do something for that person—Laura will help us through this.”

We are so very grateful for the gift that she is to each of us and to all whose lives she touched. Her laugh, her hug, her generous spirit are her special gifts to us and will keep us close to her and to each other until we are all together again.

Mary Frances Earp Armstrong

Class of 1946

January 4, 1928 – September 2, 2011

Mary Frances Earp Armstrong was born January 4, 1928 in Montgomery, Alabama. The daughter of Mamie Redding and Joseph Herbert Earp. She was a lifelong Catholic often showing up at daily Mass with fresh vegetables to give away. She was baptized at St. Peter, a founding member of St. Bede, where she and Daniel E. Armstrong were married on on



August 16, 1949. In later years she was a founding member of Holy Spirit Catholic Church. She was a devoted mother

and grandmother who found her joy in her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. She was active in the Pike Road Civic Club and many church activities. She was pre-deceased by her parents, her husband, Dan, her sister Helen Earp Jordan, and her brother Joe Redding Earp. She leaves behind four children: Dan (Chris) Armstrong, Marianne (Beth Barber) Armstrong, Beth (George Warner) Armstrong, and Dennis (Barbara) Armstrong; seven grandchildren: Adam Pierce, Charlie Pierce, Suzanne McBride, Mike Armstrong, Daniel Armstrong, and Lydia Armstrong; and five great grandchildren.



Rosemary McQuitty

October 29, 1931 – December 31, 2011

Rosemary Riley McQuitty was born in Platte City, Missouri. She was the daughter of the town lawyer and his lovely wife, and she had one brother. Rosemary grew up on a palatial farm just outside of town and was the sweetheart of her community. She attended Christian College for two years and then transferred to the University of Missouri where she received her teaching degree. This is also where she met her husband, Jerry (on a blind date). The two were married and they embarked on a military career for the next 27 years.

They lived all over the world to include California, Georgia, Japan, Germany, Virginia and finally retiring in sweet home Alabama. Rosemary was the wonderful mother of five children:

Dana Webster, Montgomery; Terry McQuitty, Boston, Massachusetts; Mike McQuitty, Montgomery; Carol Rollin, Golden, Colorado; and Laurie Young, Southbridge, Virginia. She has the legacy of nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Rosemary was always full of vibrancy and with a smile or a joke, she easily affected those around her. She was passionate about everything in life, but there were four things she valued above all else: God, family, teaching and Auburn football. Even as Alzheimer’s took over, she insisted on a daily basis to go to school to teach and/or go to church. Those who knew her loved her. She impacted the lives of so many people, and it is always an honor when someone asks if I am related to Rosemary McQuitty. May the good Lord bless her and keep her and show her his peace.



Charles Joseph McGinty, Sr.

January 18, 1927 - May 31, 2012

Born and raised in Alabama, “Charlie” left a lasting legacy for those he loved and all that knew him. He was one of five children, born in Montgomery, attended St. Mary’s of Loretto, and graduated from St. Bernard High School in Cullman, Alabama.

He proudly served the Navy during WWII and later graduated from Loyola University in 1950. He married his lifetime sweetheart, Jeanne Sheridan in 1952, and they became parents of Mary Shea, Jeanne, Maureen, and Charlie, Jr. His business career was with GMAC for 37 years.

Charlie loved his faith, family, and friends and treasured all as blessings in his life. He lived out that affection through his service on numerous boards and councils at St. Mary’s in Opelika, Queen of Mercy and Montgomery Catholic High School in Montgomery, and St. Columba in Dothan. He was also active in the Knights of Columbus, Catholic Social Services, Catholic Charities, Serra Club, Rotary Club, and others.

A Christian gentleman for all ages, Charlie will long be loved and remembered!



Juanita Starr Burns

Class of 1964

January 25, 1946 - July 11, 2012

A member of the Montgomery Catholic class of 1964, Juanita followed in her mother and sister’s footsteps as a second-generation graduate of St. Margaret’s School of Nursing and graduated in 1967. Shortly after graduation, she was swept off of her feet by a handsome Army officer and married Jerald Burns in September of the same year. Together they traveled all over the country wherever Army duty called and enjoyed raising their two children, Mary Carroll and Jay. After working in the nursing field for over 20 years, Juanita’s love for flowers and gardening led to opening her own business as a florist and most recently was an Intern Master Gardener, a life-long dream. She also enjoyed genealogy and was a member of the Peter Fortney Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Montgomery. Juanita was a dutiful military wife, loving and caring mother, and doting grandmother to John David and Marguerite.



Virginia Mayhan

April 29, 1935 – October 26, 2011

Virginia Mayhan, mother of Albert, Mike, Diane, Jim, Mary, Rita and Danny (all graduates of Montgomery Catholic), joined her husband, Albert J Mayhan, Jr. (deceased September 28th, 2010), with the Lord on October 26th, 2011. She was a wonderful and beautiful mother, full of life, with a love for Jesus and His mother, Mary. Virginia dedicated her life to her family and raised seven children. She was active in the community as a member of the Gunter’s Air Force Wives Club, active in the PTO at both St. Bede’s school and Montgomery Catholic, where she was also a library volunteer. Virginia loved music and was a member of the choir at St. Bede. Her love for life, her husband, children and grandchildren, and traveling kept her strong throughout her days. Virginia was a blessing to all those who knew and loved her.

Class of 1957

**George Ann Smart DeVoe.** “We have moved to Texas, to be near all our children and grandchildren.

Class of 1959

**Marianne Richardson Briggs** is enjoying retirement and traveling.

Class of 1960

**Susan Wrigglesworth Brady** is married with five grandkids and two great grandkids.

Class of 1961

**Dennis Holmes** has a son, Dennis and a daughter, Kellie.

Class of 1962

**Marguerite Smart Anderson** and **Deanie Clark Allen** organized the 50th reunion for the Class of 1962.

Class of 1972

**Verle Johnston (Ada),** received his second star to Major General in June, 2012. His present assignment is Commander of the New York Air National Guard of New York.

Class of 1977

**Liz Sutton,** President of Alabama World Travel and Sutton Associates, received national certification as a Women's Business Enterprise by the Women's Business Enterprise Council South (WBEC), a regional certifying partner of the Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC).



Class of 1979

**Randall Beesley** was recently selected as a referee for the NFL. He called his first game with Miami and the New

England Patriots in pre-season on Monday Night Football, August 20, 2012.

Class of 1981

**LTC Jeff Tousignant** is currently on his 5th deployment in support of the War on Terrorism. Team Leader training the Afghan Border Police.

Class of 1982

**David Poole** says “Wow, it’s been 30 years!”

Class of 1987

**Rev. Msgr. Stephen E. Martin, V.G.** was named Vicar General and rector of the Cathedral-Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, Mobile.

Class of 1991

**Emily Coody Marks,** Chair of the Pro Bono and Public Service Committee of the Alabama State Bar joined Navan Ward, Jr., president of the Alabama State Bar’s Young Lawyer’s Section in presenting a check for \$1,000 to representatives of the Alabama State Bar (ASB) Volunteer Lawyers Program (VLP).

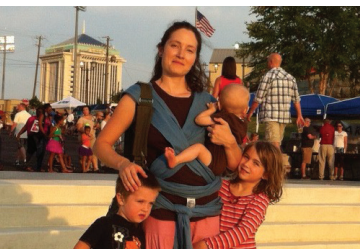
**Chris Jaworowski** with Alabama Department of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries and well known wildlife biologist co-presented a seminar on feral hog management. The topic is also well covered in Chris’s informational publication, “A Landowner’s Guide for Wild Pig Management.”



Class of 1993

**Andrea Frankle** is an actress in the hit movie “21 Jump Street” in the role, Cinnamon. She has

acted in many plays and movies previously and is currently set for a major role in a new movie.



Class of 1994

**Chad Barwick** and his family enjoy being home after many years away from family. Seen on the Riverfront are his wife, Chris, daughter, Mary, son, Ambrose, and baby son, Charlie.

**Kimberly Darby Brady** and her only brother, **Ben Darby** (1995) have only one daughter a piece that share the same birth date only six years apart. Kimberly's daughter, Hannah 2003 and Ben's daughter, Emily 2008.

Class of 1995

**Nancy Wall Hewston** was named Director of Federal Government Affairs and Strategic Communications for the Business Council of Alabama (BCA) BCA is a member-driven organization which represents approximately 750,000 working Alabamians through their companies, and Hewston responds to all federal legislation that could affect these businesses.

Class of 1996

**Joseph Jordan** is living in Blacksburg, VA and working as Director of eChannels & Payment Solutions for StellarOne Bank.



**Leah Ceasar O’Gwynn** accepted a job in February 2012 as the Director of Development for Auburn University Libraries



Class of 1996

**Joseph Aretz** is currently serving as a US Peace Corps Volunteer in Ethiopia. “ I am hoping to recruit your help with a Water Well Project that I am helping a small local village develop.

The project is currently open for donations on Peace Corps' website at: <https://donate.peacecorps.gov/index.cfm?shell=donate.contribute.projDetail&projdesc=663-029>

Class of 2002

After working in the court system for three years, **Laurel Crawford** began working for a new law firm in June 2011, Moon & Mollester. The majority of her practice is Family and Juvenile Law. She graduated from Jones Law School in May 2009 and passed the Alabama State Bar in September 2009.

Class of 2003

In November 2011, **Timmy McCormick** was named the head coach of men's soccer at Huntingdon College. Timmy commented, “It's great to be able to return to Huntingdon...This is where I played and where I got my start in coaching. It's a great opportunity to be able to come back and coach at Huntingdon.” Timmy called the position a dream job.

**Katie Lushington** completed dual masters' in Chemical Engineering and Polymer & Fiber Engineering; currently a process engineer with 3M in their Energy and Advanced Materials Division for a manufacturing line producing microglass bubbles for oil and gas exploration.

Class of 2008

**Lauren Miles** interned with Senator Richard Shelby during the months of June and July in Washington, D.C. During July and August she interned with Senator Lindsey Graham of South Carolina in Washington, D.C.

**Nick Moussalli** spent part of the summer of 2011 interning for Senator Jeff Sessions in Washington, D.C., and the other part interning for Morgan Stanley in Montgomery. He graduated from Auburn University 2012, Summa Cum Laude. Nick earned a bachelor's degree with a major in Economics and a minor in Finance and was inducted into the oldest and most prestigious Honor Society, Phi Beta Kappa, among many others. While his long term plan is to continue his graduate studies, he accepted a position as a Management Associate at Regions Financial Corporation in Birmingham in June to first gain practical experience.

Class 2009

**Alexandria Gilbert** received a \$9,000 scholarship from the University of Alabama, Department of Art and Art History, for the academic year 2012-2013. Alexandra is an Art History Major with a double Minor in History and Italian.

**Ian Mangum** received a \$9,000 scholarship from the University of Alabama, Department of Art and Art History, for the academic year 2012-2013. Ian is a Studio Art Major with a concentration in Sculpture and a Minor in Anthropology.



Class of 2010

Gregory C. St. Clair, C.Col, AAS reports that **Amalia Otero** is a member of Auburn University's new National Staffs for Air Force ROTC's honorary societies. “The membership is a HUGE undertaking for the future leaders of tomorrow, whether it be Air Force officers or civilian auxiliaries.”

Emily McLaughlin ‘08 Named Homecoming Queen at the University of Alabama

Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School class of 2008 alumna Emily McLaughlin was named the 2011 Homecoming Queen at the University of Alabama. Among the many organizations in which Emily is an active member, she currently serves as the president of the Alpha Zeta chapter of Phi Mu Fraternity.

Emily is a senior majoring in Nursing. She is the daughter of Dr. Jim and Kayla McLaughlin.



Emily is escorted by her father, Dr. Jim McLaughlin. Photo taken by Jeffery B. Hanson, University Relations Photography, University of Alabama.

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# Homecoming

All over the country in the fall, schools will stir up school spirit with “homecoming” events. The football team returns from a stint of away games, so the student body prepares with fun during the week. The boosters invite old alum, and often the alum arrange to have their reunions over this weekend in September or October.

Homecomings—whether of the sporting variety or any other—should always remind us of the good qualities of “home.” We drink in the spirit of a place, renew our devotion to it, and express gratitude for happy reminiscences of it. But above all, homecomings should always include some recollection of how that place has shaped the person we have become.

When I left Montgomery in 2007, I knew that Catholic was in the process of building new buildings, renovating the chapel, and continuing to improve the corporate identity of the campuses. My life with Catholic had seen many changes—when I was little, I saw my brother and sisters going to school there and heard stories of some of the “legends” of Catholic. I myself attended there and was taught by Miz O, Doc, Mr. Frye, and Coach Arban—some of the names that were thrown around at the dinner table well into my siblings’ college careers. But I had also returned to Catholic in 2005 after my own college career to teach in the new middle school. So my life with Catholic had followed several stages.

This past summer when I returned for my “homecoming” after four years away, my first thought was to see the chapel as it had been finished and to visit Anne Ceasar to see all that she was doing with the school. I was sad that I couldn’t see the school with all the students in it but thrilled to walk again through the hallways. I read the different articles that were up about the students, looked into my teachers’ rooms (delighted to see that the fireplace was still in Miz O’s),



and thought about what the school had given to me. But my great joy was being able to participate at Holy Mass in the chapel of the school. More than that, the Mass was blessed to have two priests and one deacon assisting at the altar, as well as to be attended by faculty, friends, and students.

It was a joy to see that a vibrant community is being built at Catholic around the Eucharistic Lord. To have Him there is a great gift to the community, and without Him we are not fully who we are meant to be. I am grateful that I was taught about Our Lord in some wonderful classes as a student, but even more grateful to have had the witness of joyful men and women sincerely committed to Christ in the teaching profession. My gratitude extends even to the young men and women I was called to help form as Christians. In the classroom my students truly desired to know why Christ was important, and their deep desire for Truth and meaning helped me to finally leave for Nashville and the novitiate of St. Cecilia.

In two years I will profess my final vows, God willing. I hope and pray that Catholic will be blessed for its part in my vocation, and I pray for the community at Catholic to grow ever stronger around the faith and the sacraments.

**Sister Dominica Bickerton, O.P.**  
*Dominican Sisters of Saint Cecilia Congregation*

**Natalie Bickerton,**  
*Class of 2000*

# Alumnae are Trading Spaces

Great schools need great exposure reporting to families and students within while sharing their successes to the community at large. Montgomery Catholic has a tradition of keeping people informed. The past ten years of communication was superiorly executed by Mary Kelley, Public Relations Director, Class of 1991.

She was constantly on the scene for everything the students did in classroom, athletics, music, art and various clubs. She managed the website and kept us up to date with Sunday emails. Annually, she documented each year with copious pictures and managed the archives capturing each year of memories. In her early years she produced the yearbook. She has filled a dual role in public relations and development until last year with the hiring of a development director...a feat in itself!

Now we say good-bye to Mary in public relations and welcome her to the Holy Spirit elementary campus as their guidance counselor. She leaves a legacy of portraying our school in good light and will be equally successful as she



Vicki Dickson and Mary Kelley in 1991.

intertwines with the students in fostering happy, healthy lives for the school children. We thank you Mary for all you have done and wish you the best in your new space.

Filling the new public relations position is Vicki Dickson, our new Public Relations Director. Vicki is a Class of '91 alumnus, coming from LWT where she was employed for nine years as a media buyer and production assistant. We welcome her and look forward to the expertise she brings to the position.

The Montgomery Catholic story remains in good hands to share with all! ·

# WHERE DO YOU SEE YOURSELF IN TEN YEARS?

Will you be graduating, getting married, raising families, sending children to college, hosting a wedding, being a grandparent, or caring for your parents? In any of these scenarios the students of today will impact your life in the future as they enter professional and vocational career fields.

Alumni contributions have helped make Montgomery Catholic viable since its beginning. When you attended school those who graduated before you helped make it a reality with their donations.

Today we ask all alumni to give to the

Torch Bearers fund. The impact of what you do is extraordinary. And be not afraid to give because of the amount. Each and every gift shows pride in our heritage, our school and most importantly our students. Moreover it mirrors your faith in our mission and the gospel.

Step up and shape the future. Use the inserted envelope or go online to [montgomerycatholic.org](http://montgomerycatholic.org) and give to the Torch Bearers fund!

Let your light shine.... You'll be glad you did!



## MARRIAGES



**Alana Hataway** (2002) and **Ben Barranco** (2002)

**Matt Shirley** (2007) and **Jessica Balchunas** (2007)

**Abbie Redden** (2007) and Brad Lamborne

**Cecil McAlpine** (2008) and Bobby Dunlap

**Allison Michele Tucker** (2003) and Michael Walker Barberio

**Thomas Ashley Thaggard** (2005) and **Mary Catherine Barranco** (2006)

**Debra Watkins Ahern** (1972) and Retired Colonel Donald Ahern

**Michael Behrens** (2000) and Kathryn Gray

**Joie Crawford** (2003) and Marny Milner Hanahan

## DECEASED FRIENDS OF MONTGOMERY CATHOLIC

**Francine Bender**, wife of Jerry, mother of Dana (Bender) Reeves 1986). Cullen Bender (1989), Justin Bender (1991), and Brandon Bender (1994); grandchildren, Taylor, David, James, Janna, and Jonathan

**Elizabeth Ceasar**, grandmother of Leah Cesar O’Gwynn (1996), Tony Ceasar 1999), and Rachel Ceasar Barranco (2002)

**Louise Zimmer Cothan**, mother of Joan Plumlee (1967) and Margaret Ingalls (1976)

**Aline Freeman**, grandmother of Micah Johnston (2001)

**Fred Romero**, grandfather of Alexander Valdez (2012)

**Emily Sawyer**, wife of Jimmy Sawyer, mother of Ethan Sawyer (1998) and Jessica Wang

**Pam Stewart**, mother of Megan Stewart (2005) and Michael Stewart (2008)

**Walter Tyner**, grandfather of Mary Allison Tyner 2011, Michael Tyner 2013, and Jennifer Tyner 2015.

**Catherine Martin**, mother of John W. Martin, Bob Martin, 1967, and Jan Martin Mastin, 1973

## ENGAGEMENTS

**Ryan Robichaus** (2000) and Megan Vucovich

## BIRTHS

Amy and **Wallace Sadler** (1999) Aubrey Jes Sadler

**Joanie (Davis)** (2001) and Cyle Conoly Eleanor Gray Conoly

Vicki and **Joseph Jordan** (1996) John Joseph Jordan 11-7-2011

Freddie and **Andrea Durbin** (1998) Lexi Elizabeth Durbin 12-29-2011

Amy and **Paul Touke** (1992) William Henry Touke

Hollis and **Richard Bosch** (1988) Emiline Ayers Bosch

**Chad Margetson** (2005) and **Tara Sallinger Margetson** (2005) Evan Phillip Margetson 4-17-2012

**Lindsey Payton Thomas** (2003) and her husband Luke ten months and Thomas, age 5



**Rachel Ceasar** (2002) and **Charlie Barranco** (1999) Madeline Anne 5-30-2012

Meghen and **J.T. Strickland** (2004) James William Cooper 6-11-2012

William Paul and **Elana Skinner** (2008) William Paul Skinner, Jr. 5-24-2012



**Brittany McClure** (2003) and Josh Bradley Ella Marie Bradley 7-28-2011



Katie and **Tony Ceasar (1999)** Hannah Ceasar, 10-3-2011



# DEDICATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT EDUCATION COMPLEX

**1** Beautiful new classrooms will be filled with children this year as Montgomery Catholic opens a second Elementary campus at Holy Spirit **2** Archbishop Rodi, accompanied by clergy, school administrators, and the Knights of Columbus, blesses the new MCPS Elementary school at Holy Spirit. **3** Rev. Msgr. F. Charles Troncale, addresses the Holy Spirit Educational Complex Dedication audience, as Archbishop Thomas J. Rodi, and MCPS President look on. **4** Barbara and Jeff Rosser; Mrs. Rosser is the Leader of the Building in the Spirit Committee. **5** Celebration lunch in the Parish Hall at Holy Spirit after the Complex was dedicated. **6** Holy Spirit MCPS Campus Administrative team members Anne Ceasar, Laurie Gulley, Fr. Patrick R. Driscoll, Ken Klinger, and Mary Kelley. **7** Holy Spirit Education Complex corner stone

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