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Dear Friends,

Shortly after the Second World War, the first students were admitted to St. Thomas More Cathedral School. Since its founding, the school has undergone many changes over the years, both in personnel and technology. But it is not the changes that characterize our Cathedral School; it is the fidelity to truth and service that is our hallmark.

As we reflect upon our school's rich history, we are pleased to report that last year our school continued the traditions that earned it Blue Ribbon standing for academic excellence. A direct reflection on the success we are achieving in educating tomorrow's leaders is that our student body continues to grow each year. Unfortunately, this is not the case with all Catholic schools.

In order to continue to build upon the excellence of STM's Catholic education, and to offer it to any student who can benefit from our program of instruction, we need your help. Tuition covers only a portion of the costs involved with educating a student, and we firmly believe that we must keep tuition affordable for the young families who sacrifice to send their children to our school. The parish assists, but parish resources are limited and it has many demands. Your assistance and support will help us provide this most important ministry to our children.

Last year, thanks to your generosity, we were able to make improvements to our technology, assist our teachers with continuing education, and to provide tuition assistance to a number of our students who would otherwise be unable to attend STM. This year, we intend to use your donations to establish a fund for the exclusive benefit of the school. Your donation will continue to be used to enhance the school's professional, technical, and physical resources, but some of your donation will be used to begin the process of establishing an endowment to assist in providing for the long-term financial support of our school.

As one of our loyal supporters, we ask for your assistance and support this year for this most important ministry for our children. All gifts are tax deductible and you will receive written acknowledgement for tax purposes. Your generous contribution will help us achieve our mission to nurture and fulfill the spiritual, academic, social and emotional promise of each child in accordance with the teachings of Jesus Christ. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Gratefully in Christ,

Fr. Robert Rippy
Rector

Eleanor McCormack
Principal