

December 15, 2009

Dear Family and Friends,

As 2009 draws to a close, we have been reflecting on the many positive changes at St. Rose of Lima School this year: Our state of the art computer lab is up and running allowing our students to access Plato math and reading and other much needed instructional programs on a regular basis. We are forging ahead with our Enrichment program and Spanish instruction. Our students have access to many new (some old) programs like the 6th grade store, student council, JA Biztown and multiple athletic organizations. Due to the success of these programs and others, we are looking forward to 2010 with an optimism that turns challenges into opportunities.

We have been very blessed by supportive parents and parishioners in the past. When the call comes to us we step up to the plate to make St. Rose of Lima School the best it can be. We thank all the parents and parishioners for their continued support over the years.

As you may have heard our heating system is desperately needing replacement, to the point of non-functioning soon. The church, School board and members of many committees have been diligently weighing options for the school and praying for the right path in such a daunting task.

Understanding this critical need, the church, lead by Father Hoke, has contracted a company to replace our heating system this November and December. Along with the decision to replace this system, the decision was made to add air conditioning to the building. Our new heating and air conditioning system will cost approximately \$250,000. The church and school families must raise the funds in order to pay this debt.

But before any plans can proceed, we are asking for your help in defraying some of the costs of this endeavor.

We sincerely hope you will consider making a gift to this campaign, which is a tax deductible donation. For your convenience, we have included a donation card. If you are unable to financially contribute to this initiative, then please know how much we value your prayers for a safe and blessed 2010 at St. Rose of Lima School.

Thank you for your generosity, and we wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Sincerely,

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Peg Rizutto,
Principal
St. Rose of Lima School

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President
St. Rose of Lima School Board