



UPDATE April 2016

BISHOP'S DINNER RAISES OVER \$330,000

Bursting at the seams with enthusiastic supporters, the entire main ballroom of the Coast Capri Hotel sold out for the first annual Bishop's Dinner. Guests enjoyed a champagne reception, silent auction, wonderful dinner and entertainment. Songs by the children of the St. Joseph School Glee Club and a performance of a slightly re-worked "If I had a Million Dollars" by our own "Nuns & Fr. Mackenzie" kept folks singing and smiling all evening long. Tom Smithwick handled the MC duties, setting the stage for an absolutely momentous night of charitable fundraising. Astoundingly, \$332,808 was raised for this year's charity, the Masterniace Campaign - bringing the total raised so far to

Masterpiece Campaign - bringing the total raised so far to \$3,379,039 of the \$4.8 million needed. Bishop John spoke, highlighting the importance of family and a faith-based education before leading into the launch of a brand new tradition: The Christian Stewardship Awards. Intended to recognize four special individuals who played integral roles in the classic *Join the Spirit Campaign* that built our own Immaculata High School more than 20 years ago, this year's

honourees were Monsignor Charles Mulvihill, Joe Huber, Lambert Schmalz, & Christine Schmidt.

Special thanks to all who attended, and to each and every single person that helped to make this event such great success. Without our student, parent and teacher volunteers, members of the PSG and every other committed individual who gave so graciously of their time and talent we could never have reached such unbelievable heights. Thank you so much!

NEW IMAGES OF THE SCHOOL!!!

Here are two exciting new renderings (supplied by our professional designers and architect) to keep you updated on the visual progress of the new school designs. These images better serve to highlight the fresh and inviting look of the new St. Joseph School (Fig. A) along with an exciting peek inside an all-new, main entrance atrium (Fig B). We are mere months away from seeing these simple images become real before our eyes!

SAVE THE DATE! NEW SCHOOL GROUNDBREAKING MAY 25

The special day is almost here! Our official ground-breaking ceremony is being planned for **WEDNESDAY, MAY 25 @ 8:30am-9:30am on-site at St. Joseph School**. Our own Knights of Columbus are planning a pancake breakfast to accompany the official "first dig" of the new school project. Local dignitaries, media and representatives from various organizations have been invited, not to mention all of our **VERY EXCITED** students and teachers! Please make plans to attend and help us celebrate this tremendous milestone of achievement within our shared faith community. We want everyone to enjoy this wonderful day!

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