



Dear Friends of St. Patrick's Church:

This coming December 14th will mark the 10th anniversary of the death of our beloved pastor, Father Gerald Mullally. Some of us still think of and pray for him frequently, while others did not have the joy of knowing him, but all of us in the Saint Patrick's community have been blessed by the heritage of his inspired preaching and pastoral care. Time passes quickly, and life itself is fleeting.

Father Mullally actively led our parish, not only with reverent Masses, but in devotions to the Sacred Heart and Miraculous Medal, healing services, traveling with three groups of youth to World Youth Days with Pope Benedict, and many social gatherings. He was a true pastor of our parish!

The family of Father Mullally has communicated with the parish office and expressed its desire to establish a memorial to him here at Saint Patrick's. To accomplish this, the family is willing to match contributions of our parishioners up to \$50,000, a generous sum, to honor not only Father Mullally but also to honor the church to which their cousin gave so much of his heart and effort.

A group has been meeting to plan an appropriate memorial. Father envisioned the entrance of the new church as a cloister that would prepare parishioners to worship our God. To meet that goal, we plan to enclose the current entrance with plantings, provide seating for prayerful reflection, and even a new, beautiful statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Madonna della Strada with Children. There will also be several plaques containing some of the more memorable words of Father Mullally displayed in this haven of peace and contemplation. This enhanced design will fulfill Father's dream and will welcome all to worship in our beautiful house of God.

Depending on the generosity of you, our parishioners, if there is a surplus of funds, they could go towards renovations of the church hall to provide a space to serve our parish and community. We would also use funds to continue a memorial scholarship for a graduating senior in Father's name, something we always had done when he was our pastor.

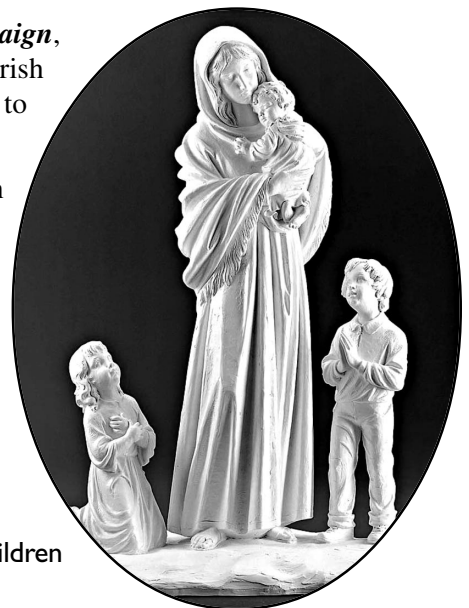
Leading up to the dedication of this new and beautiful memorial on Sunday, October 17 at 12:30 pm, we will be having a free pasta dinner and comedy show on August 28 in the Parish Hall. All are invited to join us, but seating will be limited so please respond soon. You can RSVP by contacting Karen Loeschorn at kloeschorn58@gmail.com or Ray Proulx at proulx@ptd.net. You can also call the parish office at 570-296-7451 and leave a message for the Director of Religious Education, Jack Boyle, at extension 4.

In order to participate in the Father Mullally **Welcome Home Campaign**, please complete the form at the bottom of this letter and send it to the Parish Office. Any gift in memory of Father is appreciated and will be used to enrich this parish that he so loved.

What greater honor to Father Mullally than for the entire congregation to be back worshipping and praising God for all His gifts! May God bless you all!

Thank you,

The Father Mullally Memorial Committee



Madonna Della Strada with Children

— St. Patrick's Parish Welcome Home Campaign —

I/We agree to pledge a gift to St. Patrick's Parish in the amount of _____ to be paid over _____ years, and I/We enclose \$ _____, with a balance due of \$ _____.

I/We pledge to pay the balance through payments to be made ___ Annually, ___ Semi-Annually, ___ Monthly ___ or as follows _____

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St. Patrick's Parish, 111 E. High Street, Milford, PA 18337