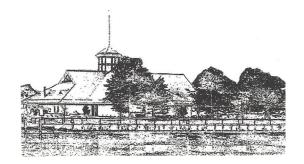
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Dear Mr./Mrs. [Last Name],



The Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish is hosting the annual "Father Alexander Gala" on Saturday, April 29 <sup>th</sup> at the Providence Room in Solomons. This popular event is held each year to counter the ever raising costs for a parochial school education. Proceeds gained through our efforts will be used to offset the rising tuition costs that many families in the area are having difficulty absorbing. This growing financial burden, especially for families having more than one child in the OLSS school, has the real potential to cause many of these families to be unable to enroll their students next year.

This year's committee is soliciting sponsorships in conjunction with the holding of our event titled "An Evening in Rome". The night will feature a wonderful Italian dinner and drinks followed by dancing to a live rock and roll band "Gary & The Groove." During the evening the Parish will present the annual Father Alexander Award to recognize an individual and a couple from the community who have made a difference and whose years of volunteer efforts are in keeping with Father's spirit of community. This wonderful priest was OLSS's first Pastor and left a legacy for having built this Parish, it church, school, convent and rectory with no money, but had a dream and a great commitment to make things happen. His tireless spirit, zeal for his faith, and love for children and their education, was a force for good in Calvert County during the first part of the Twentieth century. We expect 200 guests this year!

We are proud to honor Ms. Jeanne Moyer for her nearly forty years of service and Dave and Debby Spigler for their many accomplishments in support of the OLSS Parish and the community since coming to the area in 1979. These individuals have earned a reputation for unselfishness, dedication and devotion. Their recognition is richly deserved. Their Christian lives are valued examples for people of faith and are terrific role models for all of our youth.

Please know all proceeds raised from this event will be used to support the school programs. Everyone involved with this effort is a volunteer, including local citizens, parishioners, parents, and the students themselves. Attached to this letter is the underwriting opportunities [level of sponsorships] we wish you to consider. Each sponsor will be acknowledged publically and will receive our appreciation during the evening of the Gala and within the local media to include coverage in the County Times newspapers. We also will raise additional funds by providing an opportunity to advertise in our event program as well. A selection of Ad options is included for your consideration. Make checks out to *Our Lady Star of the Sea* and mail to OLSS, PO Box 560, Solomons, MD 20688.

Thank you for your consideration. We hope you can assist us with this important work.

Herbie and Karen Smith

Co Chairman for the 2017 Our Lady Star of the Sea Father Alexander Gala