

MATERNITY B.V.M. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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FIRST HALL OF HONOR CLASS

The Maternity B.V.M. Alumni Association is proud to announce the first Hall of Honor Class. The Committee selected three very deserving people who are great role models for our School and Students.

Thomas Filer (Class of 1970)
Major League Baseball Pitcher

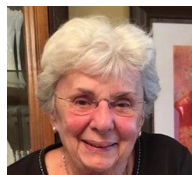
Tom played during six seasons at the major league level for the Chicago Cubs, Toronto Blue Jays, Milwaukee Brewers and New York Mets. He graduated from La Salle University with a B.S. in Marketing. Tom is currently the Assistant Pitching Coordinator for the Pittsburgh Pirates.



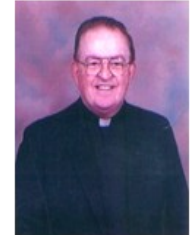
Robert Drennen (Class of 1966)
Philadelphia Fire Department Battalion Chief
Bob graduated from La Salle University. He had a career with the Philadelphia Fire Department as a Lieutenant, Captain and Battalion Chief. Before retiring from the PFD in 1998, Bob earned a Master's Degrees in Public Safety Management and Education, both from St. Joseph University. After retirement, he returned to St. Joseph's University as the Director of the University's Public Safety Institute.



Sr. Mary Anne Basile (1965-1971)
Former Maternity B.V.M. School Principal
When Sister started as Principal her name was Sr. Maria Francesca; it changed after Vatican II to her family name, Sr. Mary Anne Basile. After leaving B.V.M., Sr. Mary Anne went on to be a Community School Supervisor, Associate Director for Elementary Schools of Middle States Association, Member of Community Leadership and Administrator of McAuley Convent Residence for Ill and Infirm Sisters. Although retired at the age of 88, she volunteers at St. Ignatius Nursing Home and Mercy Hospital.



In Memoriam



Msgr. Anthony W. McGuire
*Pastor Emeritus of
Maternity B.V.M. Parish*

Monsignor McGuire served as our Pastor from 1990 to 2003. His goals for shepherding our Parish included many physical and spiritual projects necessary for the continued well-being of our Parish/School Family. Msgr. McGuire died on October 9, 2016 at the age of 86. Please keep him and his family in your best prayers.

THE 145TH ANNIVERSARY OF MATERNITY B.V.M. CONCLUDES WITH DINNER DANCE

On October 1, the Parish ended the year-long celebration with Mass and a dinner dance. Over 200 hundred Parishioners attended and enjoyed an evening of good food and lively dancing.

MATERNITY B.V.M. SCHOOL HALL OF HONOR COMMUNION BREAKFAST

On Sunday, January 29, the three Honorees will be inducted at a Communion Breakfast. The program will begin at the 9:30 AM Mass to open Catholic Schools Week. After Mass, the Hall of Honor Communion Breakfast will be held in the Parish Hall. The ceremony includes the Induction of the Honorees, performances from School Students, and Student Ambassadors leading tours of the School. If you would like to attend the Hall of Honor Communion Breakfast, contact Michael McDonough at 215-908-3329 or the Rectory during Office Hours (215-673-8127) to make reservations (please, before January 16, 2017). A free-will offering will be accepted for the Breakfast.



SECOND ANNUAL TASTE OF BUSTLETON & BEYOND

A Night of Food, Music, Dancing and Fun



The 2nd Annual Taste of Bustleton & Beyond was a great success thanks to the hard work of the Alumni Committee. This year, over 300 people attended and enjoyed foods from 33 various local eateries. The night was more than food. The class of '71's own DJ Kevin Sokolowski provided the music that got people up and dancing. The Alumni Committee is happy to announce that the event raised over \$8,000 for the School. Mark your calendars for the 3rd Annual Taste of Bustleton on Saturday October 7, 2017.

Maternity B.V.M. Alumni Association Presents



A Tribute to Elvis Through the Years

Saturday, March 25, 6 to 10 PM

Maternity B.V.M. Parish Hall
9322 Old Bustleton Avenue

Tickets are \$30 (21 and older)
and include a buffet dinner,
soda, coffee and water.

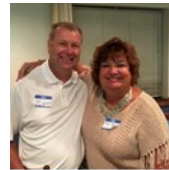
Cash bar for beer and wine. (B.Y.O.B.)

For Tickets, call: Denise at the Rectory,
215-673-8127, or Cathy Boyle at
267-446-0482.

For more information, visit
www.maternitybvm.net.

Class of 1971 Reunion

Maternity B.V.M.
Class of 1971
celebrated its 45th
Reunion in the Parish
Hall on September
10. Thanks to Kathy
Lamar and her team
for organizing
the Reunion.



REUNION PACKAGES ARE AVAILABLE

Planning a B.V.M. class reunion?
Call the Rectory at 215-673-8127 for
details about special reunion packages.

Attention, All Alumni!

The goal of the Alumni Committee is to be able to E-mail out future newsletters. To do this, we need your help. Presently, we have more than 1,500 Alumni in our data base, but only a quarter of these have E-mails.

If you could take a minute and go to the School's Web site, www.maternitybvm.net, click on the Alumni page and update your information, we would greatly appreciate it.
Thank You!



School News

The Student Council raised money from their Haunted House and Dress-Down Day and purchased turkeys for the St. Vincent de

Paul Society and Project Mercy/Aid for Friends. The officers, Emily Gudas, Sean McNicholas, Anna Bokarev and Amy Carvalho, presented the turkeys to the Rectory.

JOIN THE TEAM!

We need your help to grow the Alumni Association. If you are interested in being on the Board or involved with one of our Committees, please contact Brian Sokolowski at 267-588-6324.