

DMCS Summer eNewsletter July 2, 2020

Dear Parents-

Can it actually be July already? Time sure flies by. This week finds me at the lake for a week of rest and relaxation.

Thank you to all of you who supported our virtual gala in any way. Your help and support are greatly appreciated. We raised \$58,737, just shy of our \$60,000 goal.

While I am away this week, changes are beginning to occur to our school and parish offices.

Throughout this spring we were forced to analyze and consider all aspects of our school and church ministry. In this process, we decided to combine some offices to promote more cohesive practices and reduce duplication of effort. It is our goal to be good stewards of the gifts that have been given and to move one step closer to fulfilling our vision of having one facility. In this effort, the offices at the school building are being redesigned to incorporate parish administration as well. It is our hope that we can work with efficiency and greater cooperation as part of Divine Mercy Catholic Church and School. I look forward to returning to a reorganized work space and beginning a new chapter.

By the time I return from vacation, the Archdiocesan recommendations for fall should be published or very close to being published. Once they are, I will sit down with my task force and solidify our plan for the fall. Then I will be able to communicate it clearly to all of you. Everything that is planned right now is contingent on the guidance we receive at that time. The Archdiocese is working hard to address the dual priorities of keeping people safe and providing quality educational experiences for our students through the least restrictive environment possible. It is with hope and optimism that I look to the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year.

Thank you for your continued faith and trust in us. Happy July!

God's Blessings to you!

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Phil 4:13

Mrs. Ashley

Visions of Hope Scholarship Gala Update from Ginger Van Hecke:

Our Visions of Hope Scholarship Virtual Gala is in the books! The virtual event was a new experience for all of us. Our gratitude to our presenters for making our event fun and meaningful – Fr. Cory, Fr. Brandon, Owen Dotterweich, and Gina Ashley. Thank you to those who hosted a "Watch Party". Laura O'Connor was the winner of the \$250.00 raffle. Whether you bid on an Auction Item, donated to our Scholarship Fund or prayed for our success, please know of our gratitude. Please support our Business Sponsors who helped underwrite our expenses.

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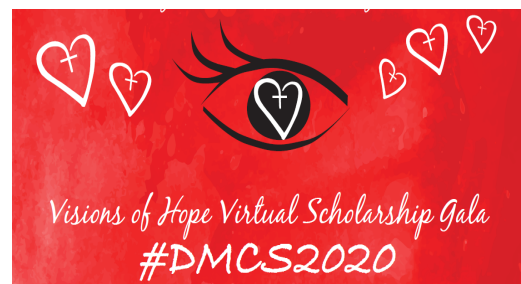
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thank you

My sincere thanks the Scholarship Gala Committee: Kari Tobin, Sarah Croke, Andrea Moyer and Faith Van Haren.

Together, we met the \$15,000 Matching Grand from the Schulze Family Foundation!! We raised \$58,737 to date, just shy of our \$60,000 goal. Please give if you are able.



Preschoolers enjoy a “Glow in the Dark Party”!

Preschoolers were very excited to make sparklers and wear their 4th of July sunglasses to our outside dance party Tuesday morning!



Kids Summer Care

The K-Gr.5 Summer Care students enjoyed a water fun themed day.

