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Alumni News

Spring 2018

Mark Your Calendar

On **Sunday, March 18, 2018, at 11:30 a.m.**, we invite you and your guests to our Alumni Mass. A reception will follow in our handicapped accessible church basement, Father Mick Hall. Our Pastor, Fr. Terry Hamilton (Class of 1961) will be our Celebrant. Please invite former classmates, relatives and friends who attended St. Martin of Tours Grade School for this opportunity to reminisce.

What's New With You?

Tell us about yourself: your family, your career, an honor or degree earned. Send us a note or an e-mail to: dbroerman@fuse.net. Be sure to include your year of graduation and your maiden name.

Planning a Move?

Please help us to keep our records current! Send us your change of address. This will help us to keep our returned postage fees down. Plus, it will make it easier for your class captain to locate you for any upcoming reunions. **ATTENTION, PARENTS: If you are tired of getting your (adult) children's mail – Please send in their current addresses so we can update our database!**

Reunion Plans

Any SMOT classes that held reunions recently are asked to send a copy of their updated class list to our Parish Office. We would also like to hear from anyone interested in planning their upcoming class reunions. Upcoming 2018 Reunions include classes of 1943, 1968, 1973 and 1978.

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Be sure to log on for parish and school updates. Viewing our website is a great way to stay in touch with your beloved grade school. You can also send us e-mail through this site.

Distinguished Graduate Honored At Catholic Schools Week Mass



St. Martin of Tours School recently celebrated National Catholic Schools Week (CSW). This special week was established in 1974, to recognize Catholic Education as a great gift to the Church and the



nation and to celebrate Communities of *Faith, Knowledge and Service*. Each year, during CSW, we honor one of our alumni. This year, **Mary Jo Martin** was named our 2018 Distinguished Graduate. Mary Jo has been associated with St. Martin of Tours since an early age. Mary Jo was baptized here at St. Martin and graduated from our grade school in 1957. At the age of 19, Mary Jo began her teaching career here at St. Martin School and continued to do so for the next 40 years becoming one of our most beloved faculty members.

Currently, Mary Jo remains active in our St. Martin community. Every now and then, you can see Mary Jo helping out in our school cafeteria during lunch time. She can be seen doing such envious jobs as crowd control and opening ketchup packets and milk cartons. Mary Jo also works at SMOT Bingo on a regular basis. Mary Jo can be seen selling "instants," counting money, selling Bingo sheets, or keeping the other volunteers in line. In yet another capacity, Mary Jo considers it a great honor to serve on our St. Martin of Tours Bereavement Committee, helping families who are grieving the loss of a loved one with funeral arrangements during a difficult time. Finally, and not to be forgotten, Mary Jo has helped bring new Catholics into the Church by being an RCIA sponsor on four separate occasions.

As you can see, St. Martin of Tours Parish and School are indebted to Mary Jo Martin for all of the time and effort she has given to our parish community. Thank you, Mary Jo, for your lifetime of dedication to St. Martin of Tours School and Parish! Mary Jo is truly a wonderful example of our Catholic teachings and we are blessed to have her here at St. Martin.

The Blessings of Martinfest

Our first annual Martinfest held on 11-11, was filled with God's blessings. It was an evening of fun and great community for our parish family *and* also a very successful fund raiser! Fr. Terry is delighted to report that we raised \$50,501.60. Thank you so much to all who supported the evening in so many ways and our awesome committee who worked so hard to make it such an enjoyable and profitable event.

(See Photos on Back)



Alumni Come Home to Martinfest

Mark your calendars and plan on joining us for our second annual Martinfest to be held on **November 10, 2018**. This evening will begin with our fall Alumni Mass at 5:00 p.m. We will once again be featuring our **"Lucky 11s" Major Award Raffle** with **11** chances to win! We will have seven **\$111** Earlybird Drawings, held on the **11th** of each month, beginning in April. Plus, we will have our four main drawings at Martinfest; **\$3,011**, **\$1,011** and two **\$511**. You need not be present to win *and* last fall, we had three alumni win top prizes! So, be sure to get your tickets in early to be included in all **11** of our prize drawings for 2018. If you need extra tickets, please call our Parish Office. Be sure to check your fall issue of *Tour Times* for more details on Martinfest 2018, as the event draws near.



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