May 25, 2007 - Brockton 2010 Appointments Announced

Brockton, MA - The Archdiocese of Boston announced two significant appointments today as work continues on plans to revitalize the Catholic schools in the Brockton region.

Manthala George, Jr. “Matt” has been appointed to serve as President of the Regional Board of Trinity Catholic Academy. A thirty-two year veteran of Brockton’s Public Schools, Mr. George served as Superintendent from 1984-1994. Currently an Education Consultant with the Massachusetts Department of Education, he has extensive ties to the Brockton community including serving as a Trustee for Brockton Hospital. He is a past member of Stonehill College’s Alumni Council, a former director with the Old Colony YMCA and was a Brockton Housing Authority Commissioner from 1974-1981 serving as Chair from 1974-1979.

Anthony M. Luizzi has been appointed Regional Director of Trinity Catholic Academy. A thirty-eight year veteran of Brockton’s Public Schools, Mr. Luizzi most recently served as Deputy Superintendent from 1997-2006. Previously he served in a number of leadership roles including Administrative Assistant for Personnel and K-8 Education, Principal of Kennedy Elementary School and Principal Winthrop Elementary School among others. He is a Member of the Board of Directors at Brockton Hospital.

Suffolk Construction President and CEO John Fish, a member of the Archdiocese’s 2010 Strategic Planning Committee and the Brockton Implementation committee said, “We are very fortunate to be able to draw on the tremendous talents of two dedicated and experienced educators. Matt and Anthony bring a wealth of energy and knowledge to the table as we move forward with our plans to revitalize and strengthen Catholic schools in Brockton.”

Announced in January 2007, the Brockton effort is the first plan to be made public since the Archdiocese embarked on its 2010 Initiative. The 2010 Initiative, announced in August of 2005, is an effort to improve, strengthen and revitalize the Archdiocese of Boston’s Catholic schools.

As announced this past January, Brockton’s Catholic schools will be realigned and managed under a new management structure consisting of a regional board and a regional director.

This new management will provide greater resources in the areas of curriculum, staff, technology, and finances, which will ensure the long-term viability of these schools while maintaining their Catholic identity.

The Brockton plan calls for creation of one school system located on two campuses with the addition of Pre-K. Currently there are three schools serving K-8 (St. Edward, St. Casimir, and Sacred Heart). The lower campus will be located at a newly upgraded and expanded St. Edward’s, serving Pre K-Grade 3. The upper campus will be located at a newly renovated St. Colman School and serve Grades 4-8.

This new school region will maintain an integral relationship with the parishes in Brockton. Pastors and local Catholic clergy will continue to play a critical role in ensuring that the Catholic identity and mission are maintained and that spiritual formation remains a central priority in our Catholic schools.

2010 Initiative

When the 2010 Initiative was announced in August 2005 the Archdiocese stated that it believed that the most effective plan will be one developed by drawing upon the collective experience of principals, pastors and local stakeholders working with professional education experts, consultants and practitioners in the community. The Archdiocese is committed to developing a sustainable plan that will meet the needs of students and local communities now and in the future.

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