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Director of Early Childhood Education,
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SHEELAGH CARLETON

Early Childhood Education Director and Instructor, St. Cecilia Catholic School, Bainbridge Island

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Fulcrum's Vision

Guided by Catholic values and beliefs, we envision a world where vibrant and innovative Catholic schools offer hope and pursue the common good.

A WARM WELCOME TO THE CELEBRATION OF LIGHT 2023!

How beautiful it is to be together in person, back in the Sheraton Ballroom, celebrating the incredible impact of Catholic schools, educators, and students and families in Western Washington!

Coming off our 20th anniversary in 2022, this is a pivotal moment in time to look forward to the future of Fulcrum. The Fulcrum Foundation is very much in a growth mindset, intentionally seeking to actively serve children and families who need us the most.

Fulcrum's Board of Trustees has already approved a five-year strategic plan, which allows Fulcrum to build on successes and work toward the future.

Tonight, we're honoring one of your fellow Fulcrum supporters, Dick Abrams, with the prestigious 2023 Archbishop's Award.

The visionary leadership of Dick and his late wife, Sharon, led to the creation of the Fulcrum Early Childhood Education Endowment, which nurtures strong beginnings for the youngest students as they discover a love of learning in Catholic schools. Catholic preschools provide a much-needed safe and enriching environment to early learners at a critical time of academic, social, and spiritual development.

It is our intention that this innovative program will be emulated across the nation in the years to come.

None of these things would be possible without you, our Fulcrum community. We thank God every day for the inspiration you provide for Fulcrum's growth and innovation to serve children and families who deserve the life-changing gift of Catholic education.

Enjoy tonight's special celebration!

God Bless,

Tony Audino

Chair of the Board

Vivian K. Shannon Executive Director

MASTERS OF CEREMONY



DAVE MAYER

Director of Early Childhood Education
Office for Catholic Schools, Fulcrum Loaned Executive

Dave Mayer has served as the Fulcrum-funded director of early childhood education since 2020. Over the past few years, Dave has helped revolutionize the exponential growth of early learning programs in the Archdiocese of Seattle, bringing wider support and resources to the youngest learners in Catholic schools. Dave and his family are parishioners at St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church.

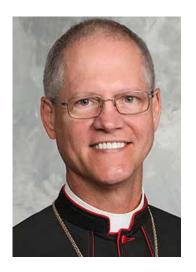


SHEELAGH CARLETON

Early Childhood Education Director and Instructor St. Cecilia Catholic School, Bainbridge Island

Sheelagh Carleton is the preschool director and a preschool teacher at St. Cecilia Catholic School on Bainbridge Island. She has worked with Dave Mayer to build an early learning program for the Bainbridge community where children thrive. Sheelagh wears even more hats as she also teaches Spanish at St. Cecilia. Sheelagh believes her calling is to instill confidence and inspiration in our earliest learners, while supporting the whole family through connection and community.

ON STAGE



THE MOST REVEREND PAUL D. ETIENNE, D.D., S.T.L. Archbishop of Seattle

Archbishop Paul D. Etienne was named archbishop of Seattle in 2019. Before coming to Seattle, he was the fourth archbishop for the Archdiocese of Anchorage, Alaska, after serving as bishop for the Diocese of Cheyenne, Wyoming for seven years. He strongly supports Catholic education and believes that Catholic schools are a vital ministry within the Church. Archbishop Etienne is proud to partner with Fulcrum and help local Catholic schools serve children and families.



NICHOLAS FORD
Superintendent for Catholic Schools
Archdiocese of Seattle

Superintendent Ford started with the archdiocese in 2012 as a teacher at Our Lady of Fatima Parish School, Seattle. He became principal there while in the first cohort of Fulcrum's Leadership Academy. He earned his post-master's Certificate of Educational Administration from Seattle University. He most recently served as principal at St. Patrick School in Tacoma before becoming the superintendent for Catholic schools in June 2022.

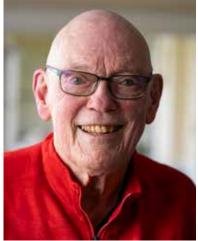


KATHY WARTELLE
Principal
Our Lady of Hope School, Everett

Kathy Wartelle has served as principal of Our Lady of Hope School (formerly Immaculate Conception & Our Lady of Perpetual Help School) in Everett for seven years. She was part of Fulcrum's Leadership Academy in the 2016-17 school year as a first-year principal. Prior to becoming principal, Kathy served as school counselor and vice principal. Kathy is a proud graduate of both Seattle University and Gonzaga University.

THE ARCHBISHOP'S AWARD

Presented each year at the Celebration of Light, the Archbishop's Award recognizes outstanding benefactors of Catholic schools. The award affirms that Catholic schools in Western Washington remain places of academic excellence, with a strong focus on community and service to others, thanks to the generosity of those who support them.



DICK ABRAMS 2023 Archbishop's Award Recipient

Magis.

In Latin, it means "more" or "greater." In Jesuit teachings, it is the idea of doing more for Christ, and therefore doing more for others.

Dick Abrams, and his late wife, Sharon Abrams, have embodied this concept of "magis." Both grew up attending local Catholic schools, including St. Theresa (now St. Therese Catholic Academy) and Seattle Preparatory School for Dick and the Forest Ridge Convent (now Forest Ridge School of the Sacred Heart) and Seattle University for Sharon.

Dick and Sharon spent their entire lives giving back to Catholic education. As long-time supporters of the Fulcrum Foundation, the Abrams supported the creation of the St. Cecilia Catholic School Patron's Endowment at Fulcrum.

Dick and Sharon quickly recognized the value of early childhood education. They understood that investing in children early reaps incredible long-term benefits to their educational, social, and spiritual development.

Even after Sharon passed away, Dick continued leading the charge in the creation of the Early Childhood Education Endowment at Fulcrum, a program that is significantly benefiting 1,700 young students currently attending 56 early learning programs in Catholic schools in Western Washington and many more in the future.

A heartfelt thank you to Dick Abrams for living the idea of *magis* and for making a meaningful difference in the lives of so many of our youngest students.

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Catholic School Teachers, Staff, and Administrators in the Archdiocese of Seattle, 2022
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Richard Pierce Cooley
(Posthumously), 2017
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Richard & Mary Ann Boulanger, 2014

Rhoady Lee, Jr. (Posthumously), 2013
Tom Lord, 2013
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The Quigg Family, 2011
Steve and Jo Marie Hansen, 2010
Rev. Stephen C. Rowan, 2010
Very Reverend Paul Magnano, 2009
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Frost & Margaret Snyder
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Anthony Gnanarajah, Ph.D., 2008
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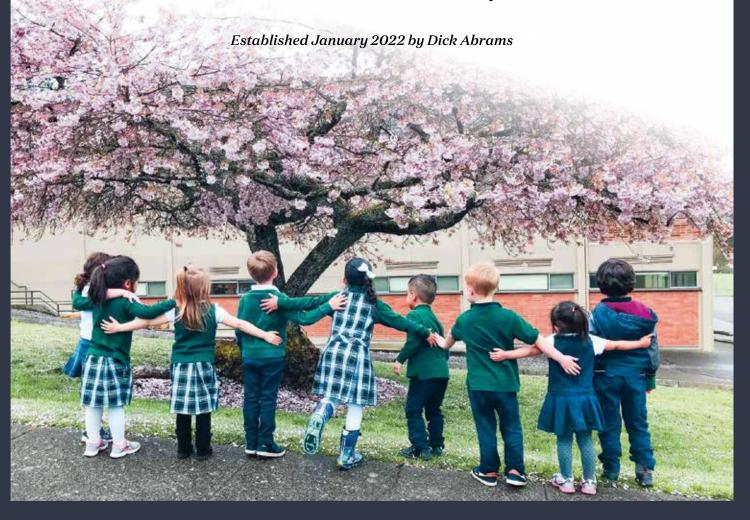
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Early Childhood Education Endowment

The vision of the endowment is to support early education of all the youth of Western Washington, not because they are Catholic, but because we are Catholic.

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Thank you to all of the Fulcrum supporters throughout Western Washington who **prioritize** supporting children and families in Catholic schools.

And to our friend, **Dick Abrams**, congratulations and **thank you** for being a shining example for all of us to follow. Your generosity and vision is an inspiration to us!

The Hoban Family



We are honored partners of the Fulcrum Foundation and applaud the positive impact Fulcrum has made on Catholic schools in Western Washington since 2002.

To Dick Abrams -

Thank you for your vision, leadership and investment in the youngest students in our Catholic schools. Congratulations on the 2023 Archbishop's Award!

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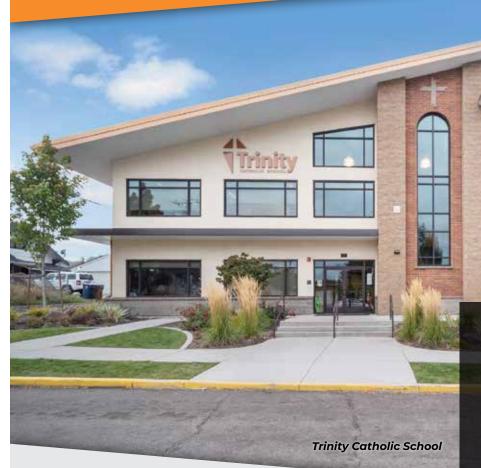
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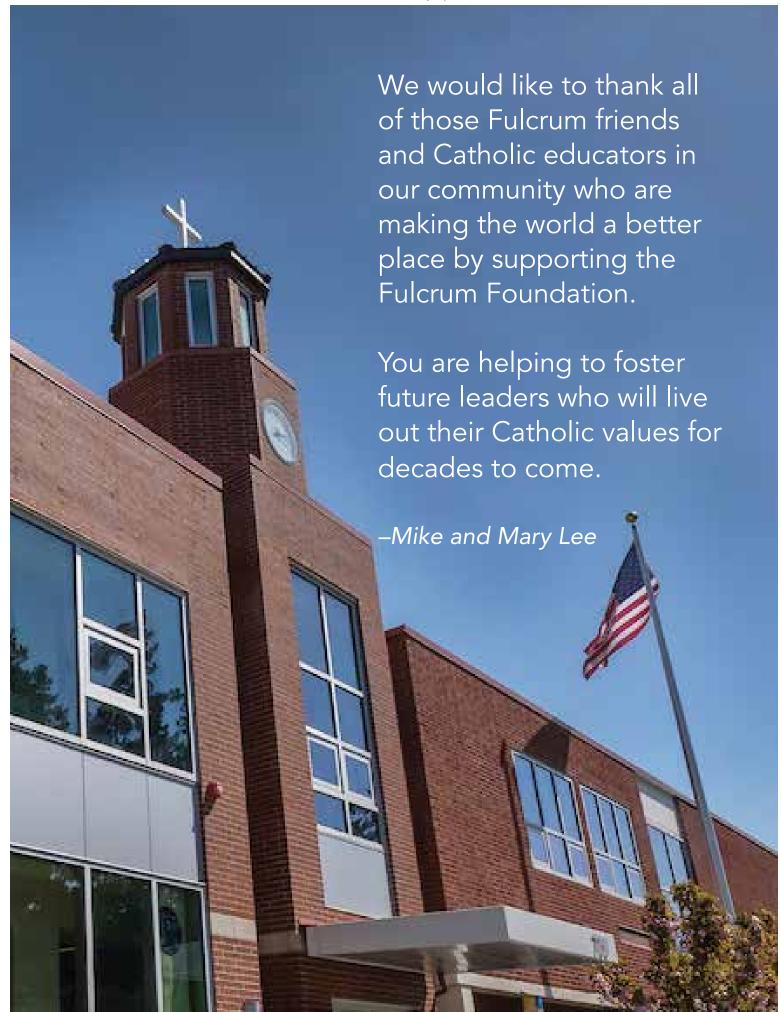
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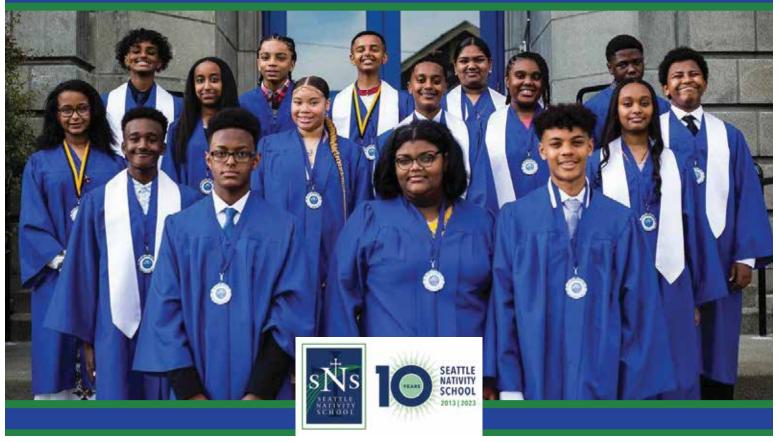
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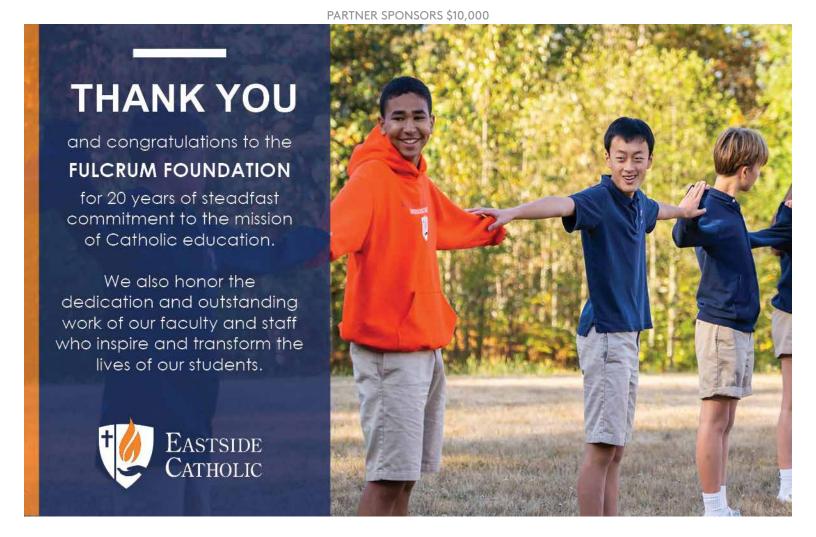
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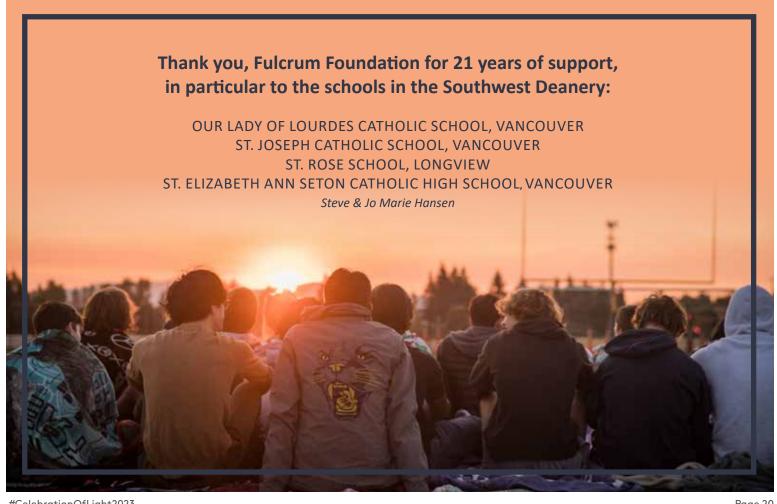
and all of the supporters of the Early Childhood Education Endowment, supporting the youngest students of Western Washington.

Congratulations on the successes achieved thus far.

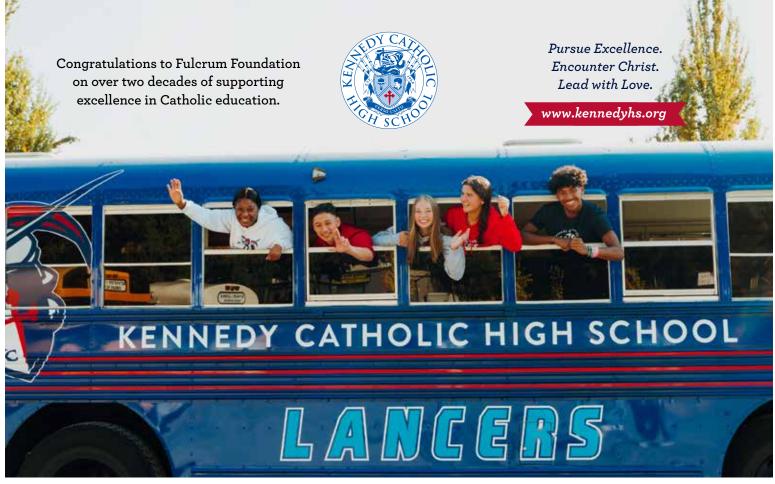
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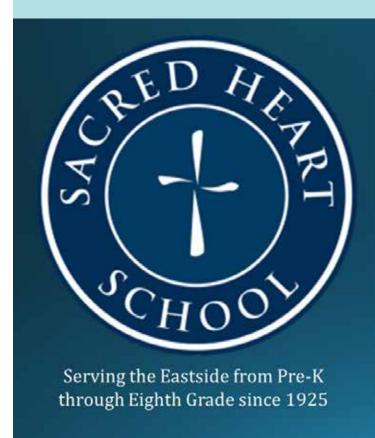
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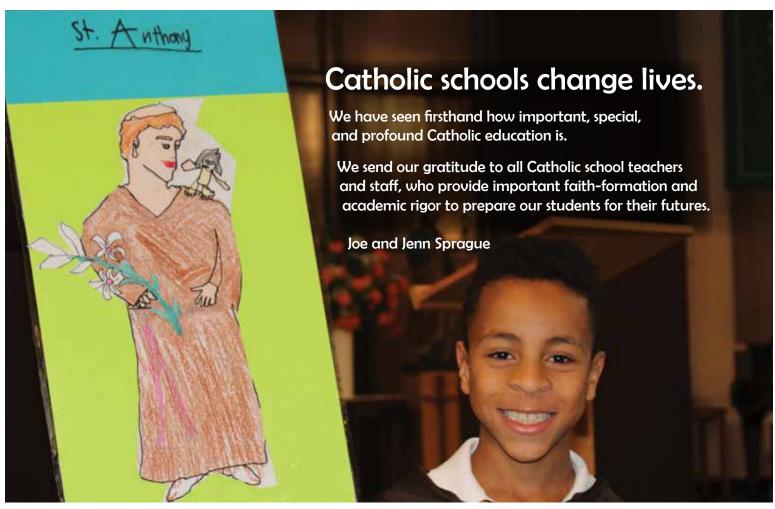


SET YOUR SIGHTS HIGH

Seattle Prep congratulates alum Dick Abrams '55 (pictured left, on Prep's ski team) on his longtime commitment to Catholic education in the Seattle area. He is a true example of a person who lives out the

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The Carroll Club, named after John Carroll, the only Catholic who signed the Declaration of Independence. The professionals and business members of the Carroll Club sponsored the Seattle Invitational Track Meet to raise funds for education. Folks like Walt Atchison, Lee Sinclair, Tom Kobayashi, Angelo Magnano, Ed Logan and 75 other members.

We should also take time this evening to thank and recognize Fr. Pat Clark and Archbishop Thomas Murphy, who founded the Catholic fund. Also Lee and Bob Corcoron who were the development directors for many years.

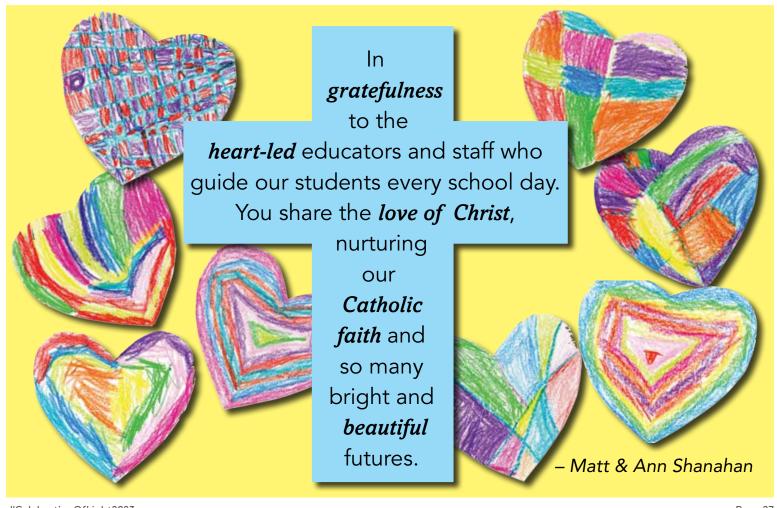
We are blessed to have so many who laid the foundation for today's accomplishments.

Edith and Ray Aspiri



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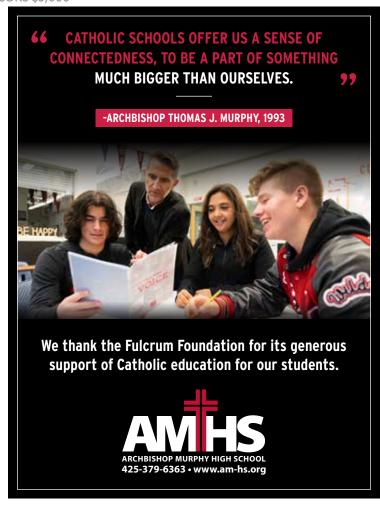


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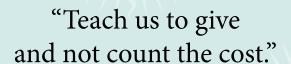












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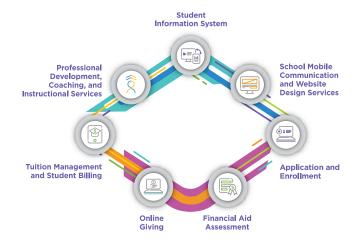
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Bridget Cooley



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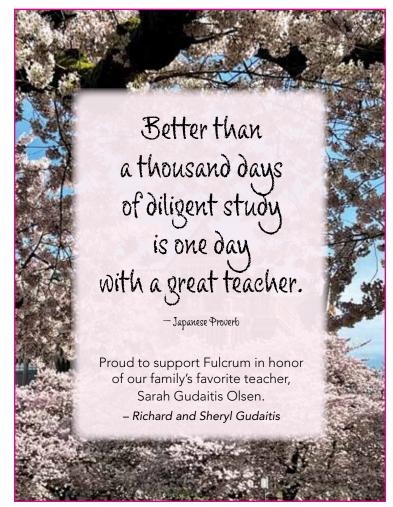
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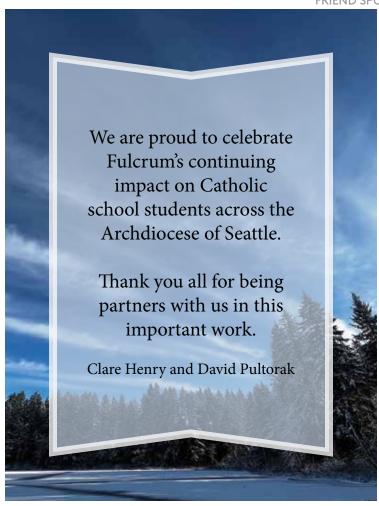
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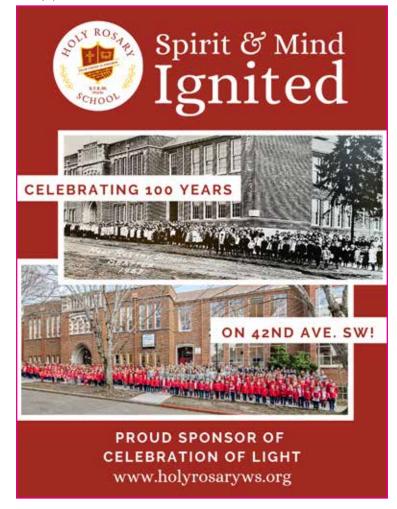
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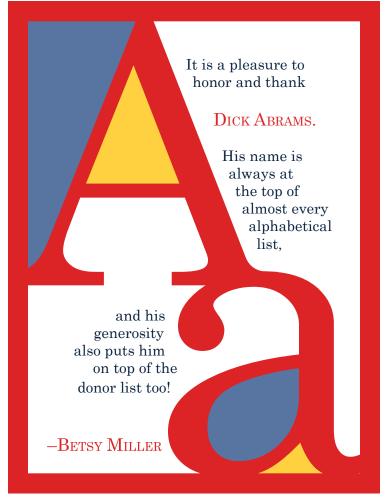
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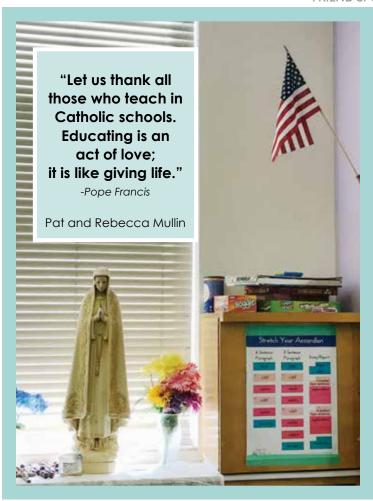


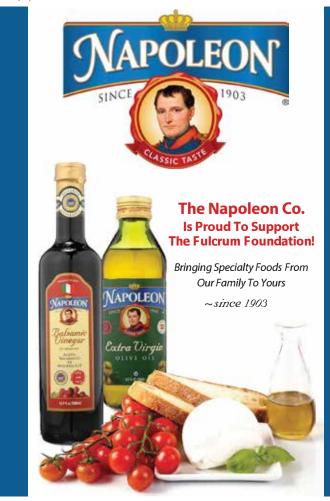


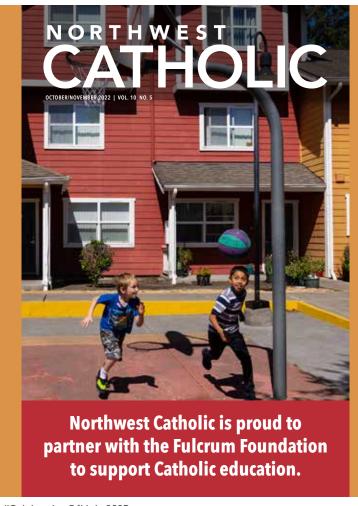










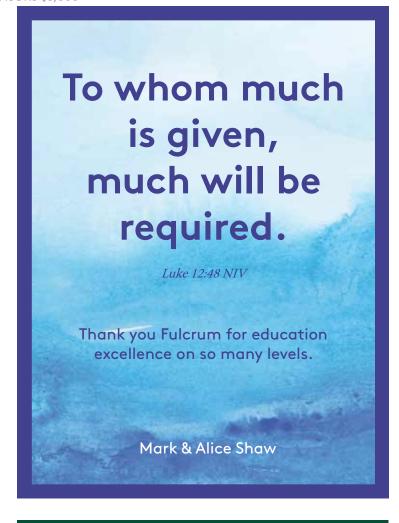






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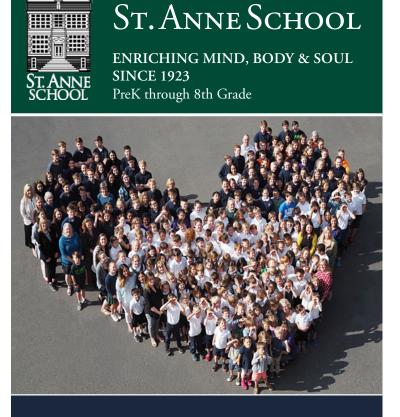






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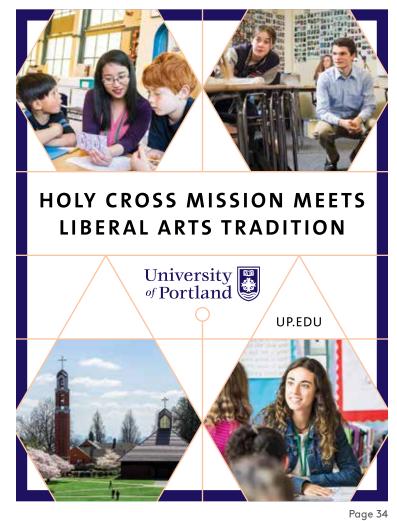


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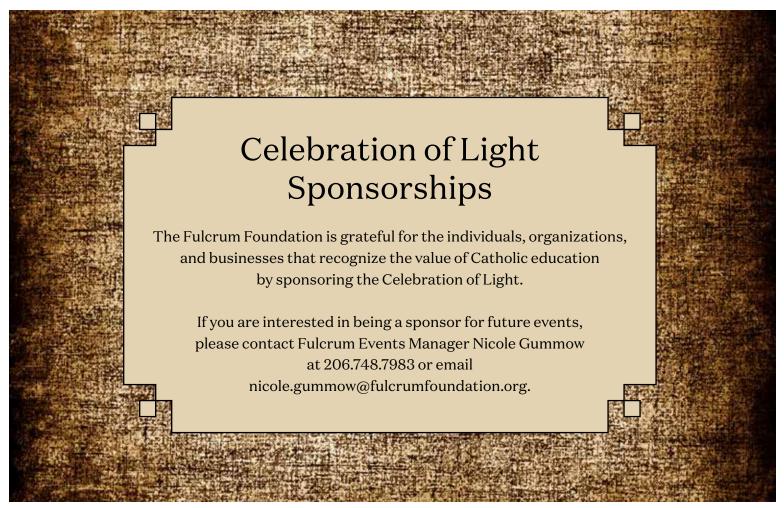
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