

## **St. Thomas of Villanova Preschool – “Mary’s House” Capital Campaign**

At St. Thomas of Villanova Pre-School, we have been providing a nurturing and supportive environment for our parishioners’ young children for many years. Indeed, “Mary’s House” has been a cornerstone of the St. Thomas of Villanova Church community for decades. Each spring, nearly 30 young boys and girls graduate from our pre-school and enter into their formal academic careers at both private and public institutions. We are very proud of the strong academic foundation that “Mary’s House” has been able to provide for our students over the years.

Our continued success depends upon the generous support from St. Thomas of Villanova Parish community members, like you, to maintain the high level of service for which we are well known. Will you support us by playing a part in the next phase in our pre-school’s history?

Within the next year, “Mary’s House” is committed to meeting all of the necessary Pennsylvania state requirements for certification. In doing so, we will be able to keep pace with the rapidly changing regulatory environment, as well as offer our unmatched early educational experience to even more children in the parish community.

“Mary’s House” has historically been, and will always be, a tuition-dependent pre-school for children of all economic backgrounds. However, to live true to our mission, it has become apparent that the time has come for us to significantly improve the physical space of our campus next to Rosemont Chapel.

In doing so, we will be able to provide our students with more modern educational facilities that can support the continued growth of our students while not compromising our commitment to small class sizes and individualized, personal attention.

It has become clear that the current location suffers from structural limitations, and to remain sustainable, will require intense renovations to bring the building up to modern standards and meet Pennsylvania standards and codes.

Due to these circumstances, it has been determined that it is in our best interest to remodel the existing structure and to rebuild the playground to give us the necessary classroom space and to support the safety concerns of our children.

To remodel the Rosemont location and rebuild our school playground from the foundation up, we at “Mary’s House” intend to raise \$250,000 over the next three years. With your support, our pre-school can grow into the next phase of our history and continue to meet the needs of our St. Thomas of Villanova community for many years to come.

We appreciate your response to our previous Capital Campaigns and know that you will be generous with this special and much needed Preschool Campaign. To help us achieve our three-year goal, please make your checks payable to St. Thomas of Villanova with “Preschool Campaign” in the memo line. Checks can be mailed to the parish, dropped in the collection baskets during Mass, or dropped off at the Parish Center.

You can also give online through the Parish Giving program using a bank account or credit card. Simply go to the parish website at [www.stthomasofvillanova.org](http://www.stthomasofvillanova.org) and click on the Parish Giving link. If you have an account, choose the Preschool Campaign Fund. For first time users, please follow the directions to create an account.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and generosity. It is greatly appreciated.

God bless,

Rev. Joseph A Genito, O.S.A.  
Pastor

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