



## Pope John Paul II REGIONAL CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

### BUILDING FOR TOMORROW

August 2006

*A monthly progress report on the construction of our new Regional Catholic Elementary School*

#### *What's the Latest?*

One of the strengths of our architect, F. Patrick Szustak, is his ability to design a building that fits the environment and is both functional and attractive. He has certainly accomplished all of this with our new school, as is becoming very evident now that most of the stucco and stonework is completed on the exterior! Although it is a large building - it has to be to accommodate 900 students! - its size is gracefully presented with soft colors and broken lines. The manufactured Ohio cobblestone and pearl-colored stucco walls, capped by chestnut shingles on the roof, give the school a pleasant Chester County feel and the arched entranceway offers a warm welcome. The spacious lobby leads to large classrooms where sunlight streams in from multiple, large windows. Yes, this school building will provide a very attractive environment where boys and girls, and men and women will feel very welcome to learn about God and grow as a faith community!



Masons continue the stonework on the back of the school.

Picture taken July 29, 2006

A view from Sister Helen's future principal's office overlooks St. Peter Church reminding all why Catholic education is so important to us.

Photo taken July 29, 2006



There is a great deal of progress around the building as well! Most of the curb has been poured and the stone sub base and asphalt base has been laid from the entrance through the bus loop to the parking area on the west side of the school. The stairway to the soccer field has been poured and work has begun on the wastewater management system. Meanwhile, Sr. Helen and the pastors continue to work closely with the architect and Branch Valley Associates to make sure that all the details are addressed in a timely manner.

Yes, Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School will be a beautiful addition on Route 82! Please continue your all-important financial and prayerful support!



The paved surfaces will provide a safe passage for students to and from school. Each day the students will pass through this arch. It will serve as a reminder that this building is more than just a school. In addition to academics, their future spiritual lives will be formed here.

Photo taken  
July 29, 2006

### *Financially Speaking*

Your contributions to the Capital Campaign continue to help our fund grow. Even though it is summer, we have raised more than \$45,000.00 per month and have reached the \$3.2 million mark! Unfortunately, we have also just reached the \$500,000.00 mark in added construction costs. This is to be expected in a project of this size and figures to be less than a 5% increase in the total project cost, but we must still raise these additional funds. Please continue, and if possible, increase your contributions. Let us generously build God's kingdom right here among us!

### *Reserve Your Engraved Paver Today*

The walkway leading into the new school will have a lasting memorial to remember a loved one or honor someone close to you. Your message will be etched in stone for all to see. For a \$100 donation, reserve your place in history. Forms are available in the back of the church.

## **COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS**

*for the Walkways of the New Pope John Paul II  
Regional Catholic Elementary School*



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For additional information please contact your pastor or the school principal, Sister Helen Loretta, I.H.M. at Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School, 605 East Lincoln Highway, Coatesville, PA 19320 Phone: 610-384-5961

**If you would like to make a difference in a child's life, please send a donation.**

**Checks should be payable to *CACES School Fund* and sent to your pastor.**

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