## Jesus, Mary & Joseph



## Dear Church Family,

I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to each and every one of you who participated in the joyous celebrations of St. Mary, Star of the Sea's 100th Anniversary and the Fundraising Dinner Dance this past weekend. The events were filled with a true sense of joy, fellowship and community spirit.

There are so many to thank: those who designed and sent out invitations, those who beautifully decorated both the church and the dinner venue, those who organized refreshments, the office support and so many others who contributed behind the scenes. Your time, effort and love did not go unnoticed.

I am deeply grateful for the generous donations we received and to all who supported our souvenir booklet through advertisements. A special thank you goes to our parishioners who attended the dinner dance, and to the many faithful who joined us for the Jubilee Mass.

The presence and dedication of the Deacons, Knights of Columbus, our altar servers, lectors and ushers added meaning and reverence to the celebration. I was especially moved by the choir, whose voices lifted our hearts in praise, and by the stirring sound of the trumpet, which added to the beauty of our Eucharistic celebration. Both were truly outstanding and brought great joy to the occasion.

If I have unintentionally overlooked anyone, please accept my sincere apologies. Finally, let us remember with gratitude all those who came before us—those who gave their "tomorrows" so that we might have this spiritual home today.

Above all, I thank God for the blessing of continuing to serve you as we walk together in faith. I look forward with hope and excitement to all that God has in store for us. May Mary, Star of the Sea, continue to intercede for all of us.

In Christ's love and grace,

Fr George C.

NB: Our Parish Picnic will be on Sunday August 24th @ 12 noon. All are welcome.