



SPRING 2015

Fr. Robert Welsh, S.J.:

An Instrument of God

By Keith Laschinger

Fr. Welsh recently celebrated the Eucharist in the St. Mary of the Assumption Chapel at Saint Martin de Porres High School.

Those in attendance included his dear friends Rich Clark, Dr. John Hudec, and Susie Murphy. This was a simple Eucharist celebrated prior to Father's assignment to the Jesuit's Colombiere Center in Michigan. It was fitting to celebrate in this way given Father's role in securing the gift from John Hudec that allowed the school to create this Chapel. The words etched into the Chapel's windows also reflect Fr. Welsh's impact on the Saint Martin community. These words — WORK STUDY SERVE LEAD PRAY — are the school's values and the final word was insisted upon by Fr. Welsh, who served as the school's first Vice President for Mission.

These words also fittingly adorn the award bestowed each year at graduation upon 3-5 deserving seniors. The award is called the Fr. Robert Welsh, S.J. Award and it celebrates the graduates who best exemplify the school's values. The plaque in our main hallway which celebrates all of the recipients, bears an image of Fr. Welsh and all in attendance at graduation learn about Father's influence on our school. In addition to this honor, Fr. Welsh has received the Presidential Medallion, an award given to



Fr. Welsh & Susie Murphy at our Birthday Bash.

members of the Saint Martin community who have been instrumental in the growth of the school.

Fr. Welsh's support of Saint Martin began in 2000, after Rich Clark returned from a trip to

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Mission

Saint Martin de Porres High School is Christ's enterprise dedicated to transforming urban Cleveland one student at a time.

Vision

We are committed to the values: Work, Study, Serve, Lead, Pray.

Means

An innovative college preparatory curriculum rooted in the development of habits of mind and spirit.

A unique partnership with the business community reflected in our Corporate Work Study Program.

A caring, Catholic community.

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