



SAINT PAUL'S SCHOOL

President's Office

Dear Saint Paul's Community,

On behalf of the Saint Paul's Christian Brothers community, the faculty, staff, and students of Saint Paul's, I wish to thank you for the outpouring of support that we have received since Brother Ray's passing on Monday morning. Your many kind words and gestures have been a blessing during a very difficult time for all of us who populate this campus. I am especially grateful to Archbishop Gregory Aymond for his personal words of comfort both to me and to members of the Brothers community.

I would like to take this opportunity to make you aware of arrangements for Brother Ray. Following Brother's wishes, his funeral will be private for his family and Brothers. On Monday, May 1, at 6:30 pm, there will be a memorial service in the Briggs Assembly Center here on campus. All are welcome to attend. Brother insisted in his instructions for any gathering that I make everyone aware of the following:

"Make sure the word gets out that I am not offended by people not coming. I would prefer no flowers but at most, one small flower arrangement is allowed. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Saint Paul's School or the Christian Brothers."

In his final meditation, John Baptist De La Salle writes of what is waiting for the teacher who dies. He describes the scene in heaven upon the welcome of one who has served multitudes of students over the years. "On the reward that a Brother of the Christian Schools should expect in heaven, if he is faithful in his work. Oh, what a joy a Brother of the Christian Schools will have when he sees a great number of his students in possession of eternal happiness, for which they are indebted to him by the grace of Jesus Christ! What a sharing of joy there will be between the teacher and his disciples! What a special union with one another there will be in the Presence of God! It will be for them a great satisfaction, sharing together the blessings for which the call of God had given them hope, the wealth of the glorious heritage of God in the dwelling of the Saints."

This meditation describes the heavenly reward given to those who have been faithful servants to the young people entrusted to them. There has been no greater example of service and care for youth than Brother Raymond Bulliard, FSC. We are lucky to have been in that number touched by his life. His legacy will remain a part of this school he loved and devoted his life to its care.

We will grieve this loss together as a community and alone as we each cherish our own memories with Brother. We, at Saint Paul's, will continue to carry on the Mission and follow the example of this amazing man.

Live Jesus in Our Hearts....Forever!

Trevor C. Watkins, AFSC
Interim President

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