

All Are Invited

TO ATTEND THE GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL

FOUNDER'S DAY MASS

Celebrating 15 years of educating
New Orleans' Youth

Friday, April 8, 2016
9:00 a.m.

Immaculate Conception Church
130 Baronne Street / New Orleans, LA 70112

*The Celebrant will be Archbishop Gregory M. Aymond and all are
welcome to a brief reception with light refreshments immediately following in Lenex Hall.*

After three years of faithful service to the school by Brother Lawrence Huck, S.J., The Good Shepherd School has appointed a **new Shepherd** to begin leadership for the 2016-17 school year. Thomas G. Moran, Jr. has been selected as The Good Shepherd School President. Moran, a native New Orleanian and Jesuit High School alumnus, earned his BBA in accounting from Loyola University and began his professional career at Deloitte. Later, Moran obtained a master's in Educational Leadership and served in various school leadership roles throughout the Archdiocese for 17 years. Moran has deep roots with the school's founder, the late Fr. Harry Tompson, S.J., and a genuine appreciation of the school's legacy and mission. Brother Huck will be working with Mr. Moran over the coming months before leaving GSS to prepare for his new assignment within the Jesuit Community. Please join us in welcoming Mr. Moran as he transitions into his new role which will officially begin in July 2016.



Back row left to right: Coach Patrick, Nasus Moore, Jaylan Scott, Clyde Johnson, Malik Foley, Brian Ridgely Jr., Genesis Prosper, Coach Glenn; Front row, left to right: Elijah Matthews, Travis Jordan, Roosevelt Mollett, Kole White, Markell Shawl

Congratulations to the GSS Boys Basketball team for winning the Catholic School Athletic League's City Championships!!! The Shamrocks, led by Coaches Glenn Ferrand and Patrick Ordoyne, went 7-0 this year—the team's first year playing together. Besides being a rookie team, the accomplishments they attained were reached without the usual amenities you would think a team should have to be successful; the team defeated opponent after opponent, all without regular practice or even a gym to practice in. Despite these odds, our boys, made up of 5th, 6th and 7th graders, rose to the occasion to win 7 games in a row. All good things must come to an end, however. The team lost their first game of the season to St. Christopher in the Regional Playoffs—guess there are worse things than losing to the patron Saint of athletes... surely that gives a team an advantage. Despite the rough ending, the Shamrocks had a great run and they made us very proud. Way to go Boys!!!

Royal Honda and great weather proved to be a recipe for success at the **14th Annual GSS Golf Tournament**. The weather could not have been more perfect for this year's Golf Tournament. Mr. Jack Saux (our skillful mixologist) said it's because "the nuns" stayed up all night praying! Well, whoever prayed in the beautiful weather also blessed us with our tournament Title Sponsor for the third consecutive year, Royal Honda. A very special thank you to Mr. Vernon Brinson, owner of Royal Honda, for coming out to meet our students who accepted the sponsorship check on behalf of the school. We also want to thank our golfers, food donors, and volunteers who made it all possible.



Left to Right: Incoming Pres. Tommy Moran, GSS Pres. Bro. Larry Huck, SJ, students, Brian and Jaylan & Royal Honda Pres. Vernon Brinson

The day was a success on many levels— our attendees thoroughly enjoyed themselves while being mindful of the mission to serve our kids. And of course, everyone enjoyed amazing food provided by: Marriott, Drago's, Acme, P&G Restaurant, Sportsbeat Pub & Cafe, Coca-Cola, Swiss Confectioners and Crescent Crown Distributing. We are grateful for their generous contributions, year after year, that lend to the success of the tournament, which continues to be a major source of funding for the Good Shepherd Mission. The day would not have been possible without the hard work of the Golf Tournament Committee co-chaired by John E. Fitzpatrick and Adrian Colon.



Through an organization called **A Cultural Exchange**, the second and third grade students will form a book club and participate in the **Read, Baby, Read Program**. This research-based program is funded through a grant and is aligned with state and national English Language Arts standards. During the weekly book club meetings, the program will use art, music, drama and writing to encourage students to read. It will also allow students to create, explore, dream, and celebrate diversity.

We feel this program will benefit our students because it embraces a mission to acquaint children of color with their heritage, enhance their self-esteem and self-worth, and create opportunities and experiences which enrich the cultural development of **ALL** children, their families and the community through literature, the arts and cultural exchange. At the end of the program, our students and their families will hold a literacy celebration.

You'll be "Dancing on the Ceiling" at the School's Third Annual **Dancing With the Stars, The Good Shepherd Way!!!** Our star studded event is set for September 24, 2016, at the Marriott Hotel on Canal Street and the lineup this year will be our most exciting team of dancers to date! For more details on this year's event, log onto thegoodshepherdschool.org for updates over the summer.

