

A Letter to the Saint John's School and Church Community  
~ From the Hughes Family

It is difficult for me to find the words to express the depth of thankfulness for your prayers and outreach to our family throughout the last 2 years, especially during the last months of our journey with helping Jim fight his battle against cancer. We have experienced a great sense of gratitude and humbleness with all of the support the St. John's community has given us.

Thank you:

~ To Father Brian, for spending so much time at our house to support and pray with us. Thank you for the vigil, funeral service, and burial for Jim. It was beautiful!

~ To Mrs. Picco and Dan Schuh, we were overwhelmed with your changing the school schedule to accommodate the staff and students to attend Jim's service. Thank you for attending and serving the Eucharist. I know Jim looked down with a big smile and was so proud that our children attend St. John's School.

~To the Teachers and Staff, thank you for your care for our kids during this delicate time. Thank you for your attendance and service of Eucharistic ministry for his service. I was so moved with emotion and our family felt comfort when you rose to serve the Eucharist. We felt so embraced in your prayers for us. Thank you for all of the letters the students wrote, and the gifts given to us.

~ To St. John Parents, your outreach has kept us speechless! It has ranged from parents coming to the house to pray with me, play Christian music for Jim in his room in his final days on our piano, arranging play dates, providing food, carpooling, organizing and decorating our backyard and house for after the service, providing food for 75 people at our house after the service, moms that secretly came to our house and planted beautiful plants to brighten up the yard, the parent that provided all of the beautiful flowers for the service, the parent that provided and organized all of the music and students to sing for the service, any probably more that I am not aware.

~ To the Students' of St. John, for the compassion, support, and understanding during this difficult time. My children have described the numerous individual and personal outreaches to each of the kids, within and, out of school that has helped lift them up spiritually through a very difficult experience. You are an outstanding group of individuals with strong Christian values and caring hearts. Our community is lucky to have you

We feel blessed to be a part of St. John's School and Community. We are doing okay because of this strong community that has embraced us. Our children gain strength from; faith that is taught daily, the acts of faith through the behavior the children exhibit to one another daily at school in kindness, respect and care they show one another.

We have so much to be thankful this Thanksgiving!

God Bless,

The Hughes Family

