



## St. Francis Academy

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Dear Members of our School Family:

We take this opportunity to update you on the final resolution to the Thomas and Anne Marie Murphy case. On August 12, 2019 the following occurred:

Thomas and Anne Marie Murphy were admitted to the Berks County Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition (commonly abbreviated as ARD) program. They will be in this program for two years. During these two years, they will be supervised by the Berks County Adult Probation Department and must comply with all of its rules and regulations. They are also required to perform 100 hours of community service and pay the costs of the program, supervision fees, and court costs. In order to enter this program, the Murphys were required to pay a lump sum of \$148,500 to the School. This amount represents the entire amount of restitution requested by the Diocese of Allentown, based on the forensic audit performed.

The Diocese accepted this arrangement at the recommendation of the Berks County District Attorney's office. We would like to thank the members of the diocesan staff, who worked so hard to ensure that justice and full restitution would be obtained for our School.

We ask you to pray for one another, for our School family, and for the Murphys, that healing may occur, and that our School can move forward to teach and evangelize the Good News of the Gospel.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Kevin M. Gualano  
Most Blessed Sacrament

Rev. Martin F. Kern  
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