



June 25, 2007

Mount St. Mary's University  
16300 Old Emmitsburg Road  
Emmitsburg, MD 21727

Dear Mount St. Mary's University Community,

On behalf of the faculty, staff, students and alumnae of College of Notre Dame of Maryland, I extend my deepest congratulations on your bicentennial. Our community joins you in celebrating the Mount's admirable 200 years of education in the Catholic tradition.

As America's second oldest Catholic college, Mount St. Mary's University has played a significant role in Maryland's long established history of Catholic education. Serving in its role as both a university and a seminary, the Mount can be proud of the transformation made in the lives of thousands of students and priests who have influenced the lives of numerous others. Your whole community—and the greater community—can celebrate the profound impact Mount St. Mary's University has made on American Catholic higher education and on the Catholic Church.

With a shared devotion to our namesake, College of Notre Dame proudly partners with Mount St. Mary's University in a lasting legacy of providing quality Catholic education. As the first Catholic college for women in the United States to award the four-year baccalaureate degree, we share with the Mount a commitment to instilling in our students an appreciation for the liberal arts and the pursuit of truth.

Again, we send our most heartfelt congratulations on this momentous occasion. Throughout your bicentennial year, we will keep your community in our prayers in a special way, asking God to bless Mount St. Mary's University with continued success in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mary Pat Seurkamp".

Mary Pat Seurkamp, Ph.D.  
President