

DR. TIM COLLINS - REMARKS
DEDICATION OF FOUNDERS PLAZA
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“TO MAKE JESUS CHRIST BETTER KNOWN AND BETTER LOVED, THROUGH EDUCATION AND INSTRUCTION.”

THAT WAS THE MISSION UPON WHICH TWO HOLY PRIESTS EMBARKED WHEN THEY FOUNDED THE BROTHERS OF CHRISTIAN INSTRUCTION ON JUNE 1819, AND THIS MISSION CONTINUES TO GUIDE THEIR WORK TODAY.

THIS MISSION IS WHAT BROUGHT SEVEN BROTHERS HERE TO STARK COUNTY, OHIO. FOR YOU SEE ... MAN’S “YES” TO GOD’S CALLING MUST BE NO LESS DECISIVE AND UNCONSTRAINED THAN THE VERY CALL ITSELF.

GUIDED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, OUR SEVEN FOUNDING BROTHERS, FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THEIR FOUNDERS, KNEW TO THEIR CORE THAT GOD WOULD, GRANT THE INCREASE. AND AS WE SEE BEHIND US ... HE IS ALWAYS FAITHFUL TO US – FOR THE CHOICE TO ACCEPT THAT MISSION IS NOT LESS IMPORTANT THAN THE CHOICE BY GOD TO CALL THEM TO IT.

HERE IS THE MESSAGE OF OUR FOUNDERS AND THE MISSION OF THIS FOUNDERS PLAZA: LOOK HERE AND BELIEVE!

WE OFFER OUR GRATITUDE TO THE CONGREGATION OF THE BROTHERS OF CHRISTIAN INSTRUCTION, WHO NOT ONLY DREAMED THIS INSTITUTION INTO EXISTENCE BUT ALSO WHO PROVIDED SUPPORT FOR THIS FOUNDERS PLAZA WITH THIS REMARKABLE

STATUE. WE ALSO WISH TO THANK OTHER DONORS WHO MADE THIS CORNER
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- WALSH UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

WALSH UNIVERSITY REMAINS COMMITTED TO THE VISION OF ITS FOUNDERS AND THE
SEVEN MEN WHO FORMED OUR INSTITUTION. WE REMAIN COMMITTED TO OUR
CATHOLIC FAITH AND THE TEACHINGS OF THE CHURCH JESUS CHRIST HIMSELF
ESTABLISHED. AS WE PREPARE OUR STUDENTS TO TAKE THEIR PLACES IN THE WORLD
AS MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE TO OTHERS, THIS FOUNDERS PLAZA WILL SERVE AS
OUR DAILY REMINDER TO TRUST IN GOD ... JUST LIKE THE BROTHERS.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP ... *PRAY FOR US.*