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"Thanksgiving" is the resounding theme of the season and the word that best conveys my appreciation for your support and participation in the Society's activities and events during my term as President of the Saint Thomas More Society of San Francisco. It is with affection and gratitude that I one last time bid peace and pray for God's good blessings upon Archbishop Niederauer, Saint Thomas More Award recipient Judge Carlos T. Bea, our luncheon presenters, all of the members, pastors, essay contestants and friends in the clergy, religious and legal communities that have assisted the Society through their prayers and contributions this year. My heartfelt gratitude is extended to the Board, past, present and nominated for the wisdom and guidance offered to me and for their generosity and faithfulness to the good of the Society.

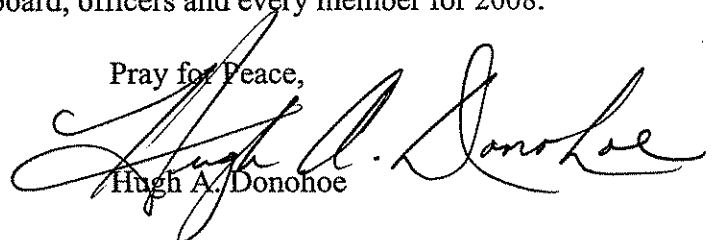
"You must not abandon the ship in a storm because you cannot control the winds... What you cannot turn to good, you must make as little bad as you can." Our patron's practical instruction also well describes the course of the Society's journey under my leadership. With the grace of God and the genius and fidelity of our speakers, board and members, we have honored our historical traditions, furthered our mission to serve others, and affirmed the future promise of joy. It has been my privilege and honor to have shared this memorable year with you.

We extend our appreciation to Father Charles Gagan, S.J., Pastor of Saint Ignatius and Principal Nicole McAuliffe for the commendable November presentation and discussion regarding the bright educational gift that the Megan Furth Academy is realizing for the children and families of our inner city.

Over 500 essay contestants have composed "Ten Commandments" for 7th graders to insure success in the 8th grade. The Saint Thomas More Society of San Francisco invites you to hear our award winning essayist Lisa Dimech of St. Veronica's at our Scholarship Award Lunch, **Thursday December 6, 2007. Our program will begin at 11:30 with Mass followed by lunch at 12:00 noon at the Carnelian Room in the Bankers Club, 52nd Floor of the Bank of America Building, 555 California Street, San Francisco.**

May the holy blessings of Advent and Christmas be with you and your families. Best wishes to our new board, officers and every member for 2008.

Pray for Peace,



Hugh A. Donohoe