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## President's Perspective

For more than 450 years, the tradition of a Jesuit education has involved the exploration of new ideas, new aspirations and new technology. Even the earliest of Jesuit educators had the foresight to recognize that the best education was one that adapted to changing times, circumstances and conditions.

It is this teaching philosophy that continues to guide us in our mission to educate tomorrow's leaders and perhaps can best be illustrated by the college's most recent commitment to bring the new world of technology into our classrooms.

Today's students want to learn and work with technology. It is our duty to facilitate its assimilation, with ease, into this new era of learning.

The college took great strides in realizing this mission with the unveiling and rededication of a newly renovated Old Main. The \$12 million overhaul of the primary classroom building includes, most significantly, a wired infrastructure that supports 50 new technology classrooms, designed to provide today's students with the state-of-the-art learning environment they have come to expect. (Cover Story, page 9). The new classrooms are enabling our professors to enrich the learning experience for students with these state-of-the-art tools (Faculty Profile, page 15).

The completion of Old Main brings to a close the building and renovation plan

that we put in place back in 1995 and that you, our loyal alumni and friends, so generously supported. We now calculate that Canisius has invested more than \$85 million in capital improvements to its campus since 1993. While we are weary

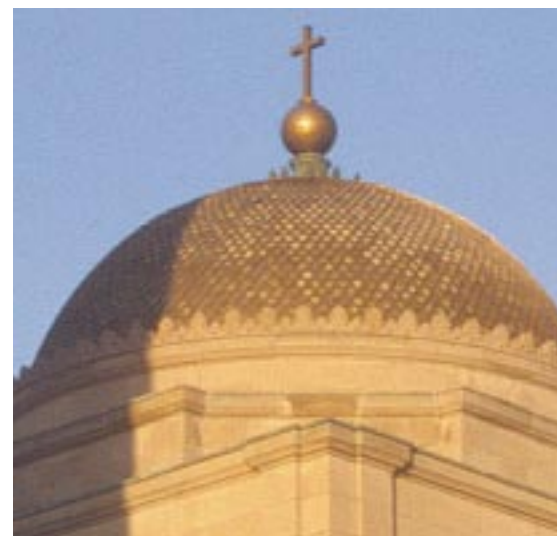
of the noise, dust and disruption that accompanies construction, we realize that these projects have been tremendous shots in the arm for both the college and the city of Buffalo.

We are pausing to take a breath while we commence planning for our next move. We are in the process of developing a plan for academic excellence that will seek to capitalize on the

tremendous investment that we have made in our physical plant. Stay tuned. Canisius remains a college that is on the move.

God Bless,

Rev. Vincent M. Cooke, S.J.



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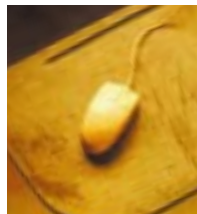
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