Anthony C. Chimera selected as Director of Development

On June 25th Brother Larry Schatz announced the selection of Anthony C. Chimera as the next Director of Development for the Midwest District. He brings extensive advancement and Lasallian experience from his days at De La Salle Institute, as a student and then for sixteen years as a member of the Development Team. Following De La Salle, Anthony worked at Dominican University as the Executive Director of Development, Vice President for Institutional Advancement for nine years at Adler University, a graduate school in Chicago and Vancouver, British Columbia, and most recently, President and CEO at Marillac St. Vincent Family Services. Under his leadership at Marillac St. Vincent, the organization vastly improved its systems, structures, and communication channels resulting in greater operational effectiveness and efficiencies across its three agency sites. Private funding grew annually by 35% and early childhood programming expanded with the addition of new infants and toddlers. At Adler, Anthony increased overall fundraising by 2100%, grew planned gift commitments by 25%, launched the University's corporate giving program, initiated the first naming campaign, planned and successfully launched its first $10 million comprehensive campaign, and dramatically increased grant revenue and alumni participation. At Dominican he planned and managed a $50 million campaign while supervising annual giving, corporate/foundation relations and planned giving. He started at De La Salle as Director of Alumni and Parent Relations, was promoted to Director of Development and then to Vice President for Institutional Advancement. During his De La Salle years, he raised over $23 million. "I am delighted and honored to join and reconnect with the Christian Brothers of the Midwest. I look forward with great confidence that the ministry and mission of the Christian Brothers will grow strong in collaboration with the District Council, professional staff, volunteers, varied ministry leaders, and benefactors." Anthony holds a BA in business administration from the University of Illinois/Chicago, an MBA from Dominican University, and is also a graduate of the Lasallian Leadership Institute. He is an active member of St. Damian Catholic Parish in Oak Forest, a Chicago native and resides in Oak Forest with his wife, Sherri, and three children, Francesca, Anthony, and Gabriel. Welcome, Anthony!