



**Patrick J. Austin**  
**Inducted 1997**

There is no better measure of a man's success than to look at what he has achieved in his life. In this case of Pat Austin, it is clear that he has achieved great success on many levels. Pat's lifelong commitment to Catholic education began in Immaculate Heart of Mary School in Scarsdale, where he was raised. Later, as a young Stepinac student, he would distinguish himself as a leader in Student Government and as an athlete on the Football field. He continued his catholic education at Fordham University where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting.

Upon completion of his college education, Pat became a Certified Public Accountant and started his career at the accounting firm now know as Deloitte Touche. One of his clients, Teleprompter Corporation, was able to lure him away to become the controller for the company. During the next seven years he rose through the ranks to become director of Capital Budgets. Pat has been with WPIX, channel 11, for the past eighteen years and is currently serving as Senior Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer.

Pat's success has carried over into his marriage and family. In his senior year at Fordham University he married his High School sweetheart, Mary Jean Flood. The couple can often be seen walking to Sunday Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows Church where they are long-standing parishioners. They have kept busy raising their three sons, Patrick Jr. '88, Michael '91 and Darren '98. As busy as Pat is with his career, he still manages to catch every playoff game, every championship game and every event that is important to his sons. The family has now grown to include Patrick Jr. 's wife Tracy.

Although Pat's career and family life have been rich and rewarding, he continues to live his commitment to Catholic education. He was the guiding force behind the Stepinac Alumni Association; a group that now flourishes at the school with many activities which brings the graduates back to their alma mater. He has recently agreed to serve on the Executive Committee for the 50th Anniversary Capital Campaign.

Pat Austin exemplifies everything for which Stepinac stands. He has clearly achieved professional success. More importantly, however, is the success he has achieved in setting an example for Stepinac students. It is this example of giving back, of making things wonderful for future Stepinac graduates who will follow. His Son Darren, who is presently a senior at Stepinac and is the captain of the varsity football team, paid Pat the highest compliment when he said, "Our Dad is a thoughtful father and a man we admire, respect, cherish and love."

We are proud to induct such a worthy graduate into the Archbishop Stepinac Hall of Fame. Pat, we congratulate you on all you have achieved, a