

## Annual Tesuit GALA 2010

In talking about the 10th anniversary Jesuit GALA on April 15, 2010, Tom Reilly of Hingham in typically wry fashion explained that "the evening just wasn't long enough. It felt a bit like an episode of *This Is Your Life*. I saw all of these fantastic people I knew and really wanted to connect with across the room. I was having so much fun, then suddenly the evening was over and I didn't get to touch base with most of those folks." Tom is referring to the magical GALA evening where Fr. Myles N. Sheehan, SJ, provincial, had the distinct honor of bestowing Dick and Ann Marie Connolly with the *Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam* Award—for the greater glory of God. More than 1200

guests joined the celebration honoring the Jesuits and all that they do in their daily ministries and to pay tribute to the Connollys for teaching us what it means to live one's life not for oneself but for others. With an extraordinarily dedicated committee and outpouring of support led by John and Mary Power of Wellesley the New England Province was able to announce a record-breaking \$1.3 million was raised at the Jesuit GALA for the Province. Proceeds from the event fund Jesuit education and formation, the care of the elderly and infirm, the mission of Jesuit teachers to educational institutions and the assignment of chaplains for special ministries.

Celebrating 10 Years

