



Celebrate Catholic Schools

A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP SALVATORE R. MATANO

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

As we prepare to celebrate Catholic Schools Week, January 26 – February 1, allow me to express my ongoing support for our Catholic schools serving the wonderful young people in this Diocese of Rochester. Having attended Catholic schools for the entire time of my studies, beginning in kindergarten through post graduate doctoral studies, I continue to appreciate the religious, moral and academic lessons that were taught to me and have guided me throughout my life. The Religious Sisters of Mercy, the De La Salle Christian Brothers, the Diocesan Priests, the Dominican Fathers and the Society of Jesus all contributed to my spiritual and intellectual development, a veritable treasure to be revered!



Catholic Schools Week occurs still within the shadow of the great feast of Christmas, the birth of Our Savior Jesus Christ. It is a time when people also give a great deal of attention to the giving of gifts – selecting just the right gift with the hope that it will bring the recipient joy. In our Diocese of Rochester, over its long and distinguished history reaching back to 1868, a great gift has been given and continues to be given to us, the gift, the possibility of a Catholic education. Because of the sacrifices, donations and hard labors of so many people, Catholic schools were founded soon after the Diocese's foundation. Today, once again, because of the sacrifices of so many, our parents, the faithful of our Diocese and our dedicated teachers and staff, our young people are able to receive a Catholic education.

Let us for a moment consider why a Catholic education is a gift. Gifts are intended to help us, and the longer a gift helps us, the more valued and treasured it becomes. So it is then that a fine education lasts us a lifetime, paving the way for our future success in the world, giving us the solid foundation upon which to build our lives. And the one, holy, Catholic and apostolic faith upon which all Catholic education is grounded provides an education that is total and complete. Religion is not extraneous to or separate from the educational process, but actually it is at the very core, the very heart of learning.

In the course of our studies, we learn that the positive influence of faith was appreciated by the Founders of our country, these United States, who saw religious faith not as something separate from government but vital to the nation's survival. In his farewell address, our first president, George Washington, stressed that "religion and morality are indispensable supports" for a country's prosperity.

Indeed, it is a great gift that in every classroom in every Catholic school, in every subject, in the study of literature, history, art, science, in these and other disciplines, one is able to learn, to appreciate and to discuss without restriction how faith has inspired some of the greatest works of literature, art, music and the course of history.

For every generation, for us, it will always be "the best of times, the worst of times ... the season of Light, the season of Darkness ... the spring of hope, the winter of despair ..." (Charles Dickens, *A Tale of Two Cities*). It is my prayer that our young people, through the gift of a Catholic education, will experience the best of times, the season of Light, the spring of hope, because they will have come to know and to love God, the first teacher in whose classroom we are all students. Like the Wise Men, the three Kings, the Astrologers from the East, we now bend our knee in humble prayer and thanksgiving and seek His guidance, especially in the formation of our young people.

In closing, it is my fervent hope that those attending our Catholic schools, with their families, are active participants in the life of the Church; that fidelity to learning is wedded to fidelity in worship; that there is an ongoing procession from the desk to the pew; that relationships formed at school are blessed with a strong relationship with God, especially in the personal encounter with His Son in the Most Holy Eucharist.

Invoking the Lord's blessing upon our Catholic school families and asking the intercession of Saint John Fisher, brilliant in learning and sterling in faith, I remain

Devotedly yours in Christ,

+ Salvatore R. Matano

The Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano
Bishop of Rochester



A Message From the Superintendent of Schools

Dear prospective Catholic School families,

I personally invite you to visit one of our Diocesan Catholic schools and truly experience the family atmosphere present at each location. Our vibrant Catholic schools are communities where children and parents can grow in both faith and love of God and each other. We are blessed to have schools throughout the Finger Lakes, Monroe County, and the Southern Tier regions.

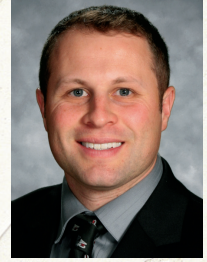
Each of our schools provides a loving, safe, and engaging learning environment. Catholic school teachers are deeply dedicated to the spiritual and educational mission of our schools – putting the students first. Children learn life lessons that they will carry far beyond the classroom.

While no two schools are the same, our schools also offer high levels of extra-curricular activities. Some examples include: Art Club, CYO Sports, Drama Club, Lego League, Science Club, and many more options for students.

There are several forms of financial aid available for families. All families may apply for assistance. There are additional discounts offered for registered Catholic parishioners and multiple children.

Thank you kindly for your interest.

May God bless your family,
Anthony Cook, Superintendent of Schools



Diocesan Schools • Registration Begins February 3!

Catholic Schools Office

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Mr. Anthony Cook, Superintendent
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FINGER LAKES REGION

St. Agnes

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 6
Principal: Dr. Gerald Benjamin
60 Park Place, Avon, NY 14414
Phone: (585) 226 - 8500
schools.dor.org/stagnes

St. Francis / St. Stephen

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 8
Principal: Mr. Stephen Tartaglia
17 Elmwood Ave.
Geneva, NY 14456
Phone: (315) 789 - 1828
www.stfrancisststephens.org

St. Joseph

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 8
Principal: Mrs. Susan Nedza
89 East Genesee St.
Auburn, NY 13021
Phone: (315) 253 - 8327
schools.dor.org/stjoauburn

St. Mary

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 8
Principal: Ms. Ann Marie Deutsch
16 East Gibson St.
Canandaigua, NY 14424
Phone: (585) 394 - 4300
www.stmaryscanandaigua.org

St. Michael

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 5
Principal: Mr. James Toner
214 Keuka St., Penn Yan, NY 14527
Phone: (315) 536 - 6112
stmichaelschoolpy.com

MONROE COUNTY

Holy Cross

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 6
Principal: Ms. Mary Martell
4488 Lake Ave.
Rochester, NY 14612
Phone: (585) 663 - 6533
schools.dor.org/hcschool

St. John Neumann

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 6
Principal: Ms. Marie L. Arcuri
31 Empire Blvd., Rochester, NY 14609
Phone: (585) 288 - 0580
schools.dor.org/stjohnneumann

St. Joseph

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 6
Principal: Ms. Theresa Hanna
39 Gebhardt Rd., Penfield, NY 14526
Phone: (585) 586 - 6968
www.sjспенfield.com/

St. Kateri, Irondequoit

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 6
Principal: Sr. Kay Lurz, SSJ
445 Kings Highway South
Rochester, NY 14617
Phone: (585) 467 - 8730
schools.dor.org/SKS

St. Lawrence

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 6
Principal: Ms. Susan Sak
1000 North Greece Rd.
Rochester, NY 14626
Phone: (585) 225 - 3870
www.stlawrenceschool.org

St. Louis

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 6
Principal: Ms. Fran Barr
11 Rand Place, Pittsford, NY 14534
Phone: (585) 586 - 5200
www.slsپittsford.org

St. Pius Tenth

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 6
Principal: Mr. Stephen Oberst
3000 Chili Ave., Rochester, NY 14624
Phone: (585) 247 - 5650
www.saintpiustenthschool.org

St. Rita

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 6
Principal: Ms. Mary Ellen Wagner
1008 Maple Dr.
Webster, NY 14580
Phone: (585) 671 - 3132
schools.dor.org/strita

Seton Catholic School

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 6
Principal: Mrs. Linda Moll
165 Rhinecliff Dr.
Rochester, NY 14618
Phone: (585) 473 - 6604
seton.dorschools.org

Siena Catholic Academy

Grades Offered: 7 - 8
Principal: Mr. Vincent Tata
2617 East Ave., Rochester, NY 14610
Phone: (585) 381 - 1220
schools.dor.org/siena

SOUTHERN TIER

All Saints Academy

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 8
Principal: Mr. Joseph A. Tobia
158 State St., Corning, NY 14830
Phone: (607) 936 - 9234
asacorning.org

Holy Family Elementary

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 6
Principal: Mrs. Lorie Brink
421 Fulton St., Elmira, NY 14904
Phone: (607) 732 - 3588
schools.dor.org/hfamilies

Immaculate Conception

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 6
Principal: Mr. Donald Mills
320 West Buffalo St.
Ithaca, NY 14850
Phone: (607) 273 - 2707
schools.dor.org/ic/

St. Mary Our Mother

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 6
Principal: Ms. Marilyn Zinn
811 Westlake St.
Horseheads, NY 14845
Phone: (607) 739 - 9157
schools.dor.org/stmom

St. Patrick

Grades Offered: Pre-K - 5
Principal: Ms. Paula Smith
309 Front St., Owego, NY 13827
Phone: (607) 687 - 1770
schools.dor.org/stpatrick

