



## St. Michael Catholic School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Today we launch our annual observance of Catholic Schools Week, a time to celebrate the enduring value of Catholic education. We set aside this week every year to focus on the gift that Catholic education provides to America's young people and its contributions to our church, our community and our nation. We reach out to the wider community beyond our parish doors to build awareness of what our schools have to offer. We thank all those who work hard every day to make our schools excellent: students, families, faculty, staff volunteers, community supporters, and local, state and national leaders.

One of the most important roles of a parish and its families is preparing young people for fulfilling lives of love and service to their families, their communities and the Lord. That is why the 2010 Catholic School's Week theme is particularly fitting. "Catholic Schools: Dividends for Life" underscore the long-standing tradition of Catholic education to instill in students the faith, knowledge, morals and discipline that will enable them to fulfill their future roles in life. Now, more than ever, a Catholic education is truly an investment in the future that is worth the consideration of every family.

As you can see from the attached schedule of events, St. Michael Catholic Parish School has planned some wonderful events to celebrate the week. Please gather your families and join in the celebration. Encourage your friends and neighbors to participate also, particularly those who may be considering Catholic education for their own children. I think they will be impressed by the attitude, behavior and accomplishments of the students they observe.

When you visit St. Michael Catholic Parish School to take part in events, please take a moment to express your appreciation to the teachers, staff, administrators, board members and volunteers for all they do. Through their dedication and commitment, they make our school an excellent example of how Catholic schools provide "dividends for life."

Devotedly yours in Christ,

Trudy Nawara, Principal

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