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Dear Families,

We are excited to welcome your family to a Diocese of Rochester Catholic School for the 2023-2024 school year! Whether you are returning or new to our system of Catholic Schools, we hope you are looking forward to another year of growing in faith, academics, and community.

In appreciation for the dedication of our current families, and to welcome more new families to our community, we are pleased to continue the Family Ambassador Program for the upcoming school year. Additional information can be found at www.dorschools.org/ambassador. In continuing the Ambassador Program, we recognize the role that our current families serve in promoting our outstanding Catholic schools and value that support.

Together, our 16 diocesan schools welcome students in a variety of high-quality programs for students in Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 8. For more information about school locations and financial aid, please visit our website at www.dorschools.org or contact the following schools directly:

Holy Cross School, Charlotte
Holy Family School, Elmira
Seton Catholic School, Brighton
St. Ambrose Academy, Rochester
St. Agnes School, Avon
St. Francis – St. Stephen School, Geneva
St. Joseph School, Penfield
St. Kateri School, Irondequoit

St. Lawrence School, Greece
St. Louis School, Pittsford
St. Mary's School, Canandaigua
St. Mary Our Mother School, Horseheads
St. Michael School, Penn Yan
St. Patrick's Preschool, Victor
St. Pius Tenth School, Chili
St. Rita School, Webster

The academic progress made in our Catholic Schools has been outstanding. In Spring 2022, our schools demonstrated 61% and 54% proficiency in ELA and Mathematics respectively on NYS Grades 3-8 exams. This outscored New York State by 14% in ELA and 15% in Math. Our skilled and certified faculty and principals continue to go above and beyond to offer students a transformative Catholic School education. We look forward to continuing our initiatives in teacher collaboration and personalized learning in the coming year, all while continuing to instill a Catholic worldview in our learners.

I firmly believe that a Catholic education is a gift that lasts a lifetime and wish to recognize our families who sacrifice to prioritize this gift for their children. We are grateful for your continued faithfulness and dedication.

May God bless you and your families,

James Tauzel
Superintendent of Schools