Dear Friends and Families of Catholic Schools:

We have just concluded the season celebrating the birth of Jesus, God breaking into our world out of love for His children. While the birth of Christ took place more than 2,000 years ago, the goal of Catholic education is to bring Christ alive into our communities each and every day. I am pleased to present our 2021-2022 Annual Report for Catholic Schools. This report is an accurate reflection of the state of the Catholic schools within the Diocese of Green Bay.

In 2018, the Diocese launched a strategic mission plan for Catholic schools that included a mission to seek to build Catholic schools that will overflow, families that will be engaged in their parishes and communities that will be transformed by the love of God. We began with a focus on the growth of our Catholic schools. I am pleased to say that our schools grew by 5% this past year — even with a pandemic and the continued challenges of COVID.

The strategic plan also focuses on professional and faith development support for our faculty and staff. To help facilitate this process, the Offices of Catholic Schools and Child and Youth Faith Formation worked together and launched the Foundational Catechetical Certification program with Franciscan University of Steubenville. Through various certification tracks, teachers and administrators have the opportunity to grow in their knowledge and understanding of the Catholic Faith and of how to live it and share it in our schools.

It has been shown that Catholic schools are the most effective means for evangelizing our youth, while planting the seeds for future vocations. The Annual Report shows our remarkable accomplishments in these areas for the past year.

As stakeholders, donors, families and friends, I hope you will find validation for the gifts that you share with our ministries within Catholic school education. Thank you for your continued support. Without you, our schools would not be possible and would leave a void in our community that nothing else could fill.

If you ever have any questions about our Catholic schools, please do not hesitate to contact me or Lori Paul, our Advancement Director, at 920-272-8163.

Sincerely,

Todd Blahnik
Superintendent of Catholic Schools

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Vocations Fair Opens Students’ Hearts

On Nov. 10, over 200 8th grade students from the GRACE System attended the full-day inaugural “Vocations Fair” coordinated by the Offices of Catholic Schools and Vocations. With an emphasis on helping younger students understand the call to vocations, they spent the day meeting representatives from various religious communities and Catholic high schools, as well as hearing stories from area priests and women religious on how they were called to serve. Students also listened to keynote speaker Jonathan Blevins on the call of God in your heart. Eleven of the students who attended expressed an interest in discerning more deeply the call to religious life. Another Vocations Fair will be held in 2022, with the goal of expanding to more students and religious education students.
Growing in Faith and Learning

Jesus is the reason, the unseen but ever-present teacher in all our classrooms, the model of our school faculty, and the inspiration for students. Our Catholic schools thrive because of a legacy and dedication of faith in families, administrators, and teachers who seek an education with a mission of faith. Our schools provide an ideal setting for children to grow in their faith and in academic and personal achievement throughout the curriculum. Schools’ staff reinforce this commitment each day as they teach all subjects through the lens of Jesus and the Gospels.

Our Catholic schools focus the development of the whole child and on student growth, spiritually, emotionally, academically, socially and physically. When children leave our Catholic schools, it is our greatest accomplishment that they will be people who think and act with the heart of Jesus and see the world through the eyes of God.

Student growth is measured in a variety of ways. One of the aspects of education is to be sure we are providing not only an excellent faith-filled environment but that we are also preparing students to be outstanding in what they do beyond school. One of the ways we measure academic student growth in our elementary and middle schools is through the Measure of Academic Progress. The assessment is normed internationally. The schools use the assessment to assist them in providing “just right” instruction based on student skill level. This is just one tool teachers use to help children grow in their potential. Across the diocese from Fall 2020 to Fall 2021, students in third through eighth grades performed well above the average (50th percentile) in math and reading. Although we have seen a slight decline in growth in reading and language usage from Fall 2020 to Fall 2021 at some grade levels, math growth in the same period increased. Students continue to show academic growth above their peers in the norm group in both areas. We are extremely proud of our students and staff as they continue to navigate the challenges in educating through a pandemic.

Maintaining Catholic Identity

The strong academic programs of our Catholic schools are indispensable to their vitality. However, a quality academic program alone is not sufficient to attract and retain some families who have other school options available to them. The Office of Catholic Schools believes that there must be a strong program of Catholic religious education. An effective Catholic school and strong Catholic identity go hand-in-hand. Catholic identity is the “value-added” component of Catholic education that makes Catholic schools attractive to parents. It is the goal of the Office of Catholic Schools that the leadership of the Diocese of Green Bay, parishes and schools ensure that there is a clear Catholic identity that is supported by the staff, students and parents. Schools with a strong Catholic identity are characterized by the pursuit of truth, sharing of values, celebration of liturgy, prayers and promotion of service with each other and the larger community.

Ready-Set-Choice!

Starting Tuesday, February 1, the Wisconsin Parental Choice Portal will be open for the 2022-23 school year, and families may begin the registration process.

All families must be residents of Wisconsin and new participants must meet current qualifying income levels. If your school participated in the Choice Program for the 2021-22 school year, students who received a Choice Voucher will need to reapply to continue in the program. Current families of existing Choice schools who did not receive a voucher but have a child going into grades PK4, K, first and ninth are eligible to apply. New families are eligible to apply at all grade levels.

Applications for the Choice program are at sms.dpi.wi.gov/ChoiceParent. Please contact your school with any specific questions.
CENTRAL REGION

School/System
Holy Spirit Catholic School
St. Edward Catholic School
St. Nicholas Catholic School
St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception School
Ignatius of Loyola Catholic School
St. John Neumann Catholic School
Most Precious Blood Catholic School
St. John the Baptist
St. Thomas More Catholic School
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N3287 Municipal Dr., Greenfield WI 54142
N1400 Blythe Ave., Greenfield WI 53140
323 Pine St., Little Chute WI 54140
120 E. Washington, New London WI 54961
N361 Military Rd., Sherwood WI 54169
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Greenfield
Kaukauna
Little Chute
Shawano
Wrightstown
Grades
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NORTHEAST REGION

School/System
St. Mary Catholic School
Holy Trinity
All Saints Catholic School
Holy Rosary Catholic School
St. Mary (Immaculate Conception)
St. John Bosco Catholic School
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Algoma
Casco
Kaukauna
Green Lake
Menasha
Merrill
Grades
PK-8
PK-8
PK-8
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NORTHERN REGION

School/System
All Saints Catholic School, Inc.
St. Rose St. Mary’s Catholic School
St. Anthony Catholic School
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (BVM)
Sacred Heart Catholic School
St. Thomas Aquinas Academy
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141 S. Wood Ave., Peshtigo WI 54143
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Door County
Shawano
Peshtigo
Peshtigo
Grades
PK-8
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SOUTHEAST REGION

School/System
Chilton Area Catholic School
Divine Savior Catholic School
Holy Family Catholic School
St. Mary
St. Mary/ St. Michael Catholic Church
St. Francis of Assisi Schools
Address
60 E. Washington St., Chilton WI 53014
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Grades
PK-8
PK-8
PK-8
PK-8
PK-8
PK-4

SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

School/System
St. Francis Xavier Catholic School System
St. Francis Xavier Elementary School – Marquette St. Campus
St. Francis Xavier Elementary School – McDonald Campus
St. Francis Xavier Middle School
St. Francis Xavier High School
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Our Lady of Lourdes
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St. Matthew Site
Resurrection Site
Holy Cross
Holy Family Catholic School
John Paul II Classical School
St. Benedict
St. John the Baptist
St. Thomas More Catholic School
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2002 Bay Settlement Rd, Green Bay WI 54301
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