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*Serving Central  
and Northern  
Missouri*

*I have the strength for everything through him who empowers me.*

Philippians 4:13

November 3, 2020

Dear Catholic School Parents of the Diocese of Jefferson City,

Never have the words above rung so true than as we began this school year. So many unknowns, so many variables, so much anxiety as we planned and began. And yet we had faith. We knew working to get our students back in class and our families back together was our best bet not only in educating our students but continuing our mission of helping parents form our youngest generation as disciples of Christ. We had faith, and with God's strength and grace, we made it happen.

And now, we must continue in faith. COVID is still here – but so are we. It is not easy, often it is confusing and difficult. But it is so very worth it! Our students are thriving, and we are proving that the protocols in place help slow the spread and help keep our families safer. We are proving, every day, that with God's help anything is possible.

Thank you. Thank you for your belief in your Catholic school. Thank you for your support of your school staff. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we move through these difficult times. Your care, support and compassion have never meant more to us.

We are so proud to partner with you. You are the first and best teachers of your children. By walking with us through this time, you are teaching your children so much about faith, resilience, sacrifice, and courage. You are teaching them to love their neighbor by taking steps to protect them. You are teaching them what is profoundly important: to trust in God and to work towards using all the gifts God has given them to serve others.

We are better together. Thank you for choosing to be together with us.

Blessings,

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