

# St. Margaret Mary Catholic School

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Dear Parents,

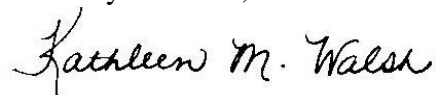
The first half of the 2016-2017 school year has been a time of great accomplishment and growth in faith and learning for the students of St. Margaret Mary Catholic School. While we are just more than half way through the school year, planning is already underway for the 2017-2018 school year. The Board of Education, along with the school and parish Administration, has worked in consultation with the parish Finance Committee in developing the budget and tuition rates for the coming school year.

Each year, we work diligently to ensure that tuition increases are kept to a minimum. The increase in tuition for the 2017-2018 school year is approximately 4%. The tuition and fee rate schedule for 2017-2018 is listed on the Financial Responsibility Form. Tuition rates do not reflect the true / actual cost of education; rather, they are reduced by approximately \$900 per student due to the generous support of our parish and the financial support provided through the Teacher Endowment Fund.

After sixty-three years of serving the St. Margaret Mary parish community, St. Margaret Mary Catholic School remains a strong parish school, rooted in gospel values and committed to academic excellence while nurturing the development of the whole child—moral and spiritual, intellectual, physical, social and emotional, and artistic development. St. Margaret Mary Catholic School is not a private school; rather, it is a Catholic school, and we strive to provide an affordable high quality Catholic education for our students. Financial assistance for parishioners who are unable to afford the cost of tuition is provided through donations to the Annual Fund for Tuition Assistance. I hope that you will consider giving as generously as you are able, and all donations are tax deductible.

Thank you for your continued support of St. Margaret Mary Catholic School and for choosing Catholic education, a gift that will last a lifetime, providing a solid foundation of faith and knowledge for students. Together we pray for God's continued blessing upon our school and parish community.

Sincerely in Christ,



Kathleen M. Walsh  
Principal