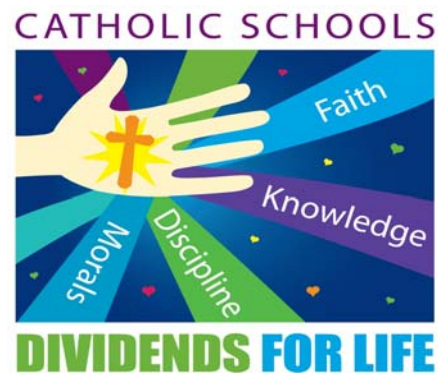


**St Francis Xavier School**  
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Dear Parents of St. Francis Xavier School,

Our annual observance of Catholic Schools Week starts in two weeks. Many students look forward to the week each year because it includes enjoyable events and special treats. But it's also a time for us to celebrate the enduring value of Catholic education and focus on the gift that it provides to America's young people. During Catholic Schools Week, we reach out to the community to build awareness of what our school offers. And, we thank all those who work hard every day to make our school excellent; students, families, faculty, staff, volunteers, community supporters, priests, deacons, and local and national leaders.

One of the most important roles of 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**" underscores 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.

Check the schedule of events to see what we've planned for the week. Please join in the celebration, and 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.

Also, please join me in saying thank you to our teachers, staff, administrators, board members, volunteers, priests, deacons and everyone else involved in running St. Francis Xavier School. Through their dedication and commitment, they make our school an excellent example of how Catholic schools provide "dividends for life."

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*Sister Sandra Bevec, sfcc*  
St. Francis Xavier School  
January 20, 2010