

# GOOD DAY!

When I think of Catholic education, including mine and that of my children, it does not stop after eighth grade. Educational experts say that the best adults are life-long learners. I would agree with that statement but would add the "Catholic Factor." Our Catholic schools have so much to give to the foundation of children and young adults that it cannot be contained in just the elementary levels of education. Our high schools are a critical component of the development of life-long learners and strong life-long Catholic adults. The development of strong adults: strong in their academics, strong in their social development and of course strong in their faith, is the core of our Catholic schools' mission.

This is an invitation for our elementary school families to explore all that our Catholic high schools have to offer this Fall. With this flyer is the complete calendar of opportunities to immerse your elementary student in our high schools. Our Catholic high schools welcome you and your family as you undertake the important decision of the next step in the educational journey of your student.

Our schools, whether elementary or high schools, are committed to creating the best educational environment for our students with all that we have collectively learned. All our Catholic high schools have much to offer their future students. In the schools of the Diocese of Trenton, a student will find an outstanding academic program and a multitude of extracurricular and co-curricular activities from athletics to the arts. As Catholic schools, we offer varied social learning opportunities that develop character, a love for service as members of the Faith and a deeper relationship with Christ.

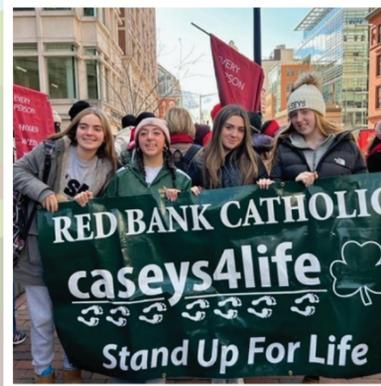
As Superintendent of Schools, I am excited about the future of our Catholic programs here in the Diocese of Trenton. Our schools have a rich history of success in molding the future of the next generations of our Faith.

I personally invite your involvement in researching our high school programs and thank you for allowing our schools to serve your children.

If there are any questions regarding our schools or the schools' programming, please do not hesitate to ask.

Warmest regards,

Dr. Vincent de Paul Schmidt  
Superintendent of Catholic Schools



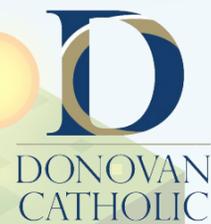
## CATHOLIC IDENTITY

Our Catholic schools are grounded in Gospel values. From classrooms to sport arenas, from academic assemblies to service projects, Gospel values are lived by the entire school community. Every year our students contribute thousands of service hours in support of local, national and global organizations and causes.



### The Catholic school experience includes:

- ✦ Daily religion classes
- ✦ Prayer throughout the day
- ✦ Weekly and monthly Masses
- ✦ Student and faculty retreats
- ✦ Reconciliation services
- ✦ Living Rosaries and stations
- ✦ Service clubs and organizations
- ✦ Parish involvement
- ✦ Sacramental preparation



## ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Catholic schools in the Diocese of Trenton provide an education of academic excellence that is both instructional and formative; an education that offers a synthesis of faith and reason; and an education rooted in the Catholic faith.

- ✦ Our students are recognized with numerous awards earned at the local, county, state and national levels.
- ✦ Our high school student graduation rate for the 2023 school year was 99%
- ✦ 97% of our high school graduates went to a four-year university program and 2% proudly volunteered for military service.

## SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

In 2023, the **842** seniors in our 5 Diocesan High Schools received over **\$168,000,000.00** in scholarships and awards. That means each student was offered an average of **\$199,500.00** in scholarships and awards to colleges and universities!!!

