



## **Easter Message from Director of Education And Chair of the Board**

*Do not abandon yourselves to despair.  
We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song.*  
– Blessed Pope John Paul II

As we end our journey through Lent, we all breathe a collective Hallelujah that this season of waiting is over. During the preceding weeks we were called to reflect on who we are and who we would like to become, to foster a closer relationship with God and to focus on the needs of those who are less fortunate. Many of us—our students, staff, families and parishes—have given up things we normally enjoy, participated in community service projects and devoted more time to prayer and contemplation.

Although Lent is often portrayed as a time of fasting and doing without, we are always overwhelmed by the outpouring of caring and compassion that we witness in our schools and communities. We have been moved by what our schools and communities have been able to accomplish during the past few weeks.

Wherever your personal Lenten journey took you, we trust that it has been fulfilling, enlightening and inspiring.

We now look forward to celebrating the joy of the resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ. Our wish for all of you during this Holy season is that your hearts and homes will be filled with His love, His grace and His mercy.

Happy Easter! God bless!

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