



Thank You to the Teachers in Our Catholic Schools

World Teachers' Day October 5, 2014

Faith is truly a good for everyone; it is a common good. Its light does not simply brighten the interior of the Church, nor does it serve solely to build an eternal city in the hereafter; it helps us build our societies in such a way that they can journey towards a future of hope.—Pope Francis

The words of Pope Francis remind us that we all have an important role to play in the creation of faith-filled, hopeful and loving communities.

In our Catholic school communities, it is our teachers, our administrators and our support staff who together with our parents and parishes, provide mentorship, leadership and inspiration to the students that we are privileged to serve. Our young people look to the adults in their lives to show them what it means to follow the example of Jesus—to serve those entrusted to us, to protect all of God's creation and to love and accept each and every person for their unique talents.

On this World Teachers' Day, we thank our educators for their commitment to the students in our classrooms, and for participating fully in the life of their school communities. We see the talent and dedication of our teachers at work throughout the year at special events, school liturgies, classroom retreats, clubs and teams, as well as field trips. We celebrate their successes in academics, athletics and the arts, which all contribute to the dynamic and exciting learning environments that our students enjoy.

A school is only a building, but the people who inhabit a school bring it to life and transform that building into a caring, vibrant and thriving educational community.

We thank our educators for their continued commitment to Catholic education, and their passion for serving students of all ages. We take great pride in your successes, no matter how big or how small. We pray for God's blessing that you will continue to find inspiration and strength from the support of your colleagues, and from the teachings of the Gospel.

We wish you all a happy World Teachers' Day, and continued success in the year ahead.

Sincerely,

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