



St. Michael

THE ARCHANGEL SCHOOL

July 30, 2021

Dear St. Michael the Archangel School Community,

The Board of Pastors and the Board of Directors of St. Michael the Archangel School are pleased to announce that Mrs. Marie E. Chirico has been appointed Principal of St. Michael the Archangel School effective August 2, 2021. We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to the Search Committee and the St. Michael the Archangel School Board of Directors for their dedicated efforts throughout the search process.

A lifelong educator, Mrs. Chirico brings a wealth of experience with her. She previously served as Principal and later President of Saint Mary of the Assumption High School in Elizabeth, New Jersey, Director of Curriculum and Athletic Director at Mary Help of Christians Academy in North Haledon, New Jersey. She was also a teacher and team leader at King Middle School in Bradenton, Florida and teacher and Department Chair at Lincoln Middle School in Palmetto, Florida. Mrs. Chirico was the Director of the Huntington Learning Center in Verona, New Jersey.

As a teacher, she has had the distinction of earning the Teacher of the Year award and was featured in Time Magazine for developing a distinguished educational program. Mrs. Chirico holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Education (K-12) from Kean University and a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership from National-Louis University, Florida campus. She is a certified principal in New Jersey and Florida and has secured teaching certificates in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Florida. Mrs. Chirico is a member of St. Michael Parish in Cranford, New Jersey.

Please welcome Mrs. Chirico to St. Michael the Archangel School community and wish her all the best as she and our dedicated faculty look forward to the upcoming school year that will begin on Monday, August 30, 2021.

On behalf of the pastors and the Board of Directors, we would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Mrs. Colleen Weiss for six years of dedicated service at our school, four years as principal and two years as assistant principal. Mrs. Weiss has been an educator in the Diocesan school system for eighteen years and will continue to serve students and families in our Diocese next school year at Notre Dame of Bethlehem School. We thank her and wish her well.

Thank you for your support of St. Michael the Archangel School!

Sincerely,

Rev. Msgr. Nevin J. Klinger
Pastor
Assumption B.V.M. Parish

Rev. Thomas R. Buckley
Pastor
St. Joseph Parish

Christopher Watts
Chairman, Board of Directors
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