



THE ARCHDIOCESE OF  
GALVESTON-HOUSTON



March 31, 2020

From the Office of the Superintendent:

Dear Catholic School Families,

As the safety, health, emotional, and spiritual well-being of our students, educators, and brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the greater Galveston- Houston community remains our priority, The Archdiocese of Galveston – Houston is extending the closure of all school facilities, as well as the cancelation of all extra-curricular activities and events until May 4, 2020, as directed by the governor of Texas. We remain deeply committed to the on-going effort to cease the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic and stand with our schools, parishes, and families as we journey through this uncharted territory. We ask that you join us in contributing to the common good by observing the measures suggested by health officials to stop the spread of the virus in our communities.

We are continuing to support distance-learning in our schools and are grateful for the dedication and vigilant efforts of our teachers, support staff, administrators, pastors, and parents as they endeavor to provide students with a consistent learning environment and as normal a routine as possible. Though this is a time of difficult decisions and uncertainty in the world of public health and the educational landscape, our parish and school communities continue to show that it is also a time where we find solace in our faith tradition and in the resiliency of spirit and prayer.

We thank you for your understanding during this time as The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston continues to monitor developments. Be assured that we will communicate updates as they become available. Know that our prayers are with you, our great state, our nation, and all who are affected by this pandemic.

I ask you to join me in prayer for all those who are sick, those who care for them, and those who are in distress at this time. Let us remember that God continues to be with us and will never leave us, especially during difficult times. May God bless all of you during this time.

In Him we trust,

Debra Haney, Secretariat Director and Superintendent of Catholic Schools  
The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston