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Dear School Families,

The disruptions in our daily lives brought about as a result of this pandemic could not have even been imagined a few months ago! It is truly awe inspiring to hear about the many ways you have adjusted your daily routines in an effort to provide for the needs of yourselves and your families. I deeply appreciate that these past weeks have not been easy for any of you and I congratulate all of you for your hard work and your efforts to cope. Above all we must never lose hope; we will get through this challenge and will be a better person, family and community because of it.

The teachers/staff at St. Eugene School continue in their efforts to provide your children with a quality education despite the limitations and restrictions brought about because of this crisis. I thank you for your patience, understanding and cooperation through all of this. Know that you are not alone, I recently read that a little over 90% of the students around the world are now 'out of school'. Over 90%! No one struggles alone in this; it has impacted just about every person, family and community around the globe.

I realize that among your many concerns are financial concerns. Some of you are experiencing the loss, or the threat of loss, of employment. With this comes the concerns and worries about meeting ongoing financial obligations. The staff at St. Eugene Rectory, as well as the staff at St. Eugene School, are working to investigate what, if any, financial assistance might be available through the Archdiocese, as well as through local, state and federal government agencies. Applications have been made, but it seems too early at this time to provide any suggestions.

Regarding tuition payments for the 2020/21 academic year, I would like to offer the following. As you are aware, tuition payments were scheduled to begin next month, May of 2020 and conclude in March, 2021. We have been able adjust that schedule so that payments will now begin one month later. **Tuition payments will begin in June, 2020 and conclude in April, 2021. In other words, there will be NO tuition payments due next month, May of 2020.**

I hope that this adjustment will relieve you of some of your financial concerns. We are investigating other possible opportunities and solutions as well, but the options are extremely limited. As always, I am always willing to speak with any of you on a 'one on one' basis regarding specific needs or situations. We will get through this, just don't give up and don't stop praying!

Sincerely,



Reverend Joseph McDermott
Pastor