



May 18, 2021

Dear Parishioners:

As you know, Renee Payne has accepted the position of assistant superintendent of Catholic Schools for the Diocese of Rockford. Ms. Payne has been a valued part of the development and history of All Saints Catholic Academy and we pray for much success for her as she continues to serve our diocese in her new position.

Obviously, her departure leaves the position of principal at the Academy vacant. The COVID-19 pandemic has presented ASCA with considerable challenges and hiring a new principal with strong faith and passion for the Academy like Ms. Payne's has been among those challenges.

We are pleased to announce that we have met the challenge of finding an interim principal.

Mr. Michael Kagan has retired his position as Superintendent of Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Rockford Administration and has been hired to serve as interim principal for All Saints Catholic Academy and will begin his duties August 1, 2021.

Mr. Kagan brings a solid familiarity with all parishes that helped bring together All Saints Catholic Academy and understands our strength as one in mission. He was not only part of the task force that helped form All Saints Catholic Academy, but he has also served as the former principal of two of the schools that now make-up the Academy, St. Peter Cathedral and St. James. Mr. Kagan is also a 40-plus year parishioner of the Cathedral.

I hope you and all those who faithfully support ASCA will join in welcoming Mr. Kagan as the new principal and pray with great anticipation for an exciting and faith-filled 2021-22 school year.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Stephen St. Jules
Executive Pastor
All Saints Catholic Academy