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Dear Parents & Guardians,

I must begin, as always, by thanking you for your commitment to providing your children with a Catholic education. Our ability to offer an excellent academic program in an atmosphere of faith and service is only possible through your dedication, leadership and stewardship.

Despite the challenges presented by the pandemic, both of our schools are strong and healthy. Our continued viability, however, is dependent on bringing the separate budgets of each school into line and eliminating our current operating deficit of approximately \$120,000.00 at each school. While we will be making every effort to increase both enrollment and external funding opportunities, we will also need to make a one-time, modest sized increase to our tuition rates of approximately 7% as the cost of our operating expenses goes up and in anticipation of cost of living increases in our salaries and benefits.

2021-2022 Tuition Rates

- 1 Child - \$5600
- 2 Children - \$8450
- 3 Children - \$10,170
- PreK - \$6050

As one of our School Board members pointed out, for budgeting purposes in her home, she looks at the increase for a single student as \$40 per month, 2 students as \$30 per month per child and 3 students as \$20 per month per child over a 10 month payment schedule.

We recognize this increase may present a challenge for some families and we are committed to providing a Catholic education to all who are interested. Scholarship and aid money is available for both Bridgeport Catholic Academy and Saint Gabriel Catholic School. We strongly encourage everyone to apply for the support they need to make their commitment a reality. All information provided is strictly confidential.

At the same time, we strongly encourage every family to complete the Free and Reduced Lunch Application. It not only helps students and families but also helps the schools receive funding through federal programs tied to our enrollment.

Please feel free to address any questions or concerns to Mrs. Jurisic, Mrs. Thompson or myself.

I look forward to continuing to provide the children of Nativity of Our Lord & Saint Gabriel Parish with an outstanding education in the years to come.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel Flaherty".

Daniel Flaherty  
Principal  
Bridgeport Catholic Academy &  
Saint Gabriel Catholic School