



ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Lighting the Way ~ Rejoicing in Our Journey

Faith in Education
**THE RIGHT CHOICE
FOR CATHOLIC
FAMILIES**



Welcome from the **DIRECTOR & BOARD CHAIR**

Dear Parents and Guardians:

We know that choosing the right school for your child is a serious decision. School is the place where your child will spend most of his or her days, learning important academic and social skills and growing in body and mind. And in Catholic schools, your child will also grow in spirit and faith, learning of God's love, and discovering life's purpose.

With 28 schools, approximately 9,000 students and 1,200 employees, our Board encompasses a large and diverse region of Southwestern Ontario, within the Roman Catholic Diocese of London. We are small towns, rural areas and the urban centres of Sarnia and Chatham. From Tilbury to Forest, and from the beautiful shores of Lake Huron to Lake Erie and the St. Clair River, we are a Catholic faith community in pursuit of the best that Catholic education has to offer.

We provide excellent educational opportunities, and we are proud to teach Catholic values which provide opportunities for spiritual growth. Like you, we want our young people to develop a strong set of values in their lives. We believe it is important for Catholic values and beliefs to be practised, whether at home, school or church. Your choice of Catholic education would mean the following for your child:

- The teachings of Jesus permeate the school culture and the curriculum;
- Prayer, faith celebrations, social justice outreach, and sacramental preparation are part of our school culture;
- Strong home-school-parish connections are encouraged and facilitated.

While our Catholic elementary schools are open to children of baptized Catholics, it is important to note that enrolment in our Catholic secondary schools is available to all students desiring a Catholic education, including those from Catholic elementary schools, public elementary schools, private schools and home-schooling.

People often tell us that they witness something unique when they visit one of our schools – a close-knit community with high standards of behaviour and achievement, and one that is rooted in our Catholic faith. We invite you to contact any one of our schools, arrange a visit, and see for yourself!



Deb Crawford
Director of Education



John Van Heck
Chair of the Board

Greetings from

BISHOP RONALD FABBRO

Dear Friends:

Catholic Education has been part of Ontario's landscape and cultural fabric for over 160 years. Even in the days before Confederation, Catholic parents desired to have their children educated in schools that taught them about God, about Christ's love for us that we celebrate in our Church, and about His command to us to love and serve others. These lessons are no less important to parents and students today. In a world that seems to question and sometimes abandon the need for values, morals, and standards of behaviour, our Catholic schools continue to guide our children on a path of Christian virtues and behaviours.

The schools of the St. Clair Catholic District School Board work with our parishes, our families, and the Diocese of London, to educate our Catholic youth and to invite them to be life-long followers of Jesus. I am grateful for the work of the St. Clair Catholic District School Board, in helping parents raise their children to know, love and serve God our loving Father.



Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Rev. Ronald P. Fabbro, C.S.B.
Bishop of London

FAITH IN OUR LEARNING

Our Catholic schools are not a duplicate of other publicly-funded education systems. Our programs and curricula adhere to Ministry of Education requirements; however, we approach learning from a Catholic perspective. Student learning is enhanced by Gospel values and supported by staff members who are committed to serving in Catholic schools. Faith development is integral to every part of the school day. Our students also answer their baptismal call to be the hands and feet of Christ, as we support missions and social justice initiatives, in aid of those in our communities and around the world, who need our help.



DELIVERING QUALITY CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Educational achievement and innovation are among the pillars of the St. Clair Catholic District School Board's mission statement. Through a framework of goals and strategic actions, our focus is to provide 21st-Century learning environments for our students, as we prepare them for academic and practical success. Our elementary schools are safe, welcoming and faith-centred, with a strong focus on literacy and numeracy. Our secondary schools work closely with community and educational partners to develop programs that will create valuable opportunities for student growth, both within and beyond the classroom; and help our students along pathways that will lead to worthwhile future employment – either through apprenticeships, colleges, the world of work or university. Programs include technology, media studies, health sciences, visual and dramatic arts, culinary arts, welding and construction, in addition to a strong curriculum in traditional academic studies – maths, literature, languages, social studies and many, many more.



OUR MISSION

Walking together in Christ's light with parish and family, we are called to build a safe and inclusive Catholic learning community and to serve as partners in the formation of life-long learners by:

- Living our faith;
- Promoting educational achievement and innovation;
- Fostering stewardship, leadership, and social justice.

CHATHAM-KENT ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Blenheim

St. Anne Catholic School*
519-676-7352

Chatham

**Georges P. Vanier
Catholic School**
519-354-6550

**Monsignor Uyen
Catholic School***
519-352-1880

**Our Lady of Fatima
Catholic School**
519-351-4040

St. Agnes Catholic School
519-354-0530

St. Joseph Catholic School
519-354-4642

St. Ursula Catholic School
519-352-3620

St. Vincent Catholic School
519-354-4066

Ridgetown

St. Michael Catholic School
519-674-3475

Thamesville

**Good Shepherd
Catholic School**
519-692-3644

Tilbury

St. Joseph Catholic School
519-682-2790

Wallaceburg

**Christ The King
Catholic School***
519-627-6745

Holy Family Catholic School
519-627-6003

St. Elizabeth Catholic School
519-627-6331

SARNIA-LAMBTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Bright's Grove

St. Michael Catholic School
519-869-4204

Corunna

St. Joseph Catholic School
519-862-1479

Forest

**St. John Fisher
Catholic School**
519-786-5201

Petrolia

St. Philip Catholic School
519-882-1520

Port Lambton

Sacred Heart Catholic School
519-677-5391

Sarnia

**Gregory A. Hogan
Catholic School***
519-542-8190

Holy Trinity Catholic School
519-344-2110

Sacred Heart Catholic School
519-344-1601

St. Anne Catholic School
519-542-2710

St. Matthew Catholic School
519-332-4300

Watford

**St. Peter Canisius
Catholic School**
519-876-3018

Wyoming

Holy Rosary Catholic School
519-845-3471

ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS

**Ursuline College Chatham Catholic
Secondary School***
85 Grand Avenue, W., Chatham
519-351-2987

St. Patrick's Catholic High School*
1001 The Rapids Parkway, Sarnia
519-332-3976

For more information, contact
your local Catholic school.



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