January 23, 2020

Dear Parents of Saint Agnes:

Thank you for your commitment to St. Agnes School. Our parish school continues to thrive and grow. We are blessed with a talented and caring faculty and staff who work together to provide Christ-centered instruction at a school that consistently achieves academic excellence.

Tuition is the school's primary financial resource, followed by financial support from St. Agnes Parish. The parish's financial commitment to the school is planned in the context of a percentage of parish collections. This support is for Catholic students and has two components — an allowance to offset school costs in general and a discount for families with multiple children in the school. The balance of the funding need, after offsetting anticipated gifts and other revenue, must be funded through tuition.

We continue to strike a balance between meeting the demands of the school, retaining and recruiting excellent faculty and staff, addressing the rising costs of salaries and benefits and keeping tuition rates as reasonable as possible. It is our commitment to you that tuition rates will not go above what is necessary to achieve these objectives while remaining competitive and affordable. We recognize the sacrifices that parents make to send their children to our parish school and thank you for choosing St. Agnes School.

Included with this letter, you will find the Tuition and Fee Schedule for Saint Agnes School for the 2020-2021 school year. These rates reflect the recommendations put forth by the Finance Council, Business Manager and Principal to me. To finalize a recommended rate, the Parish Finance Council strove to balance the instructional, administrative, and infrastructure needs of the school.

We will continue to prudently manage the resources entrusted to us and provide a quality Catholic education to our students.

For purposes of payment, our school participates in the FACTS Tuition Management program. School tuition, along with the Extended Day and After-Care programs are included in the tuition management program. Each family is required to enroll in the FACTS Tuition Management system.

Both the Arlington Diocese and St. Agnes Parish provide significant amounts of financial aid to those with a demonstrated need. We urge any family that may need financial assistance for tuition to apply to the FACTS Tuition Assistance program which distributes the diocesan pool of funds. If you receive assistance through this diocesan-wide fund, then parish funds are kept available to help even more who have financial needs.

Tuition payment installments will be on a July through April payment schedule because we have up-front costs for resources based on planned enrollment. Please review the attached Tuition Payment and Refund Policy which describes the handling of tuition refunds, if a child registers for the coming year but does not attend, or when a child leaves the school after tuition billing has begun. Please see the attachment for this policy. For those using the Extended Day and After-Care programs, the rate information is on the Extended Day Registration Form.

Thank you for entrusting the formation and education of your children to St. Agnes School. Our Catholic Faith is both a gift to us and our mission to share with future generations. Thank you for being a part of the St. Agnes School community. You are remembered in our prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ and his Mother,

Father Frederick Edlefsen

Pastor Mrs. Jennifer Kuzdzal Principal

attachment: Saint Agnes School Tuition Schedule, 2020-2021 School Year Extended Day Registration and Emergency Form Tuition Payment and Refund Policy