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Dear Parents,

Greetings to all of you. I hope that you had a blessed Summer and feel refreshed for the upcoming school year. If I have not had the chance to meet you yet, I'm Fr. Nathan the new priest at St. Michael's. I'm very happy to be with you and excited for the start of the school year. A majority of my priesthood has been focused in youth ministry and teaching, and so I very much want our young people to have effective faith-filled experience. In that regards, I'm looking to be actively involved and to get to know our young people. I must say that it is a blessing that we can offer our students daily religion class. Before coming to Kalida, I had so many people ask, "do they have a Catholic school?", to which I reply, "sort of, and the best kind." Its great that we have this system in place for the benefits are numerous.

Overall, please know that the parish staff, as well as our catechists and I are here to support you in raising your child in the faith. By no means is this an easy task in the crazy world we live, but we try our best. I encourage you to engage with our program: see what is being taught and discuss it with your child. Not only are these awesome and impressionable experiences to have between a parent and a child, you might also see opportunities on how we can be more effective.

In the meantime, be assured of my prayers for your family during these days of summer vacation. While it can be difficult to see this time fade away, the flip side is that a new season of opportunities lies before us. Lets make the most of it and draw closer to our loving Lord!

God Bless,

Fr. Nathan