



Council Meeting - October 22, 2020

St. Michael Catholic Academy – staff, parents and students.

Here we are. Our first meeting.

The school year has begun.

It's not going to be the same as last year because our situation has changed but does not mean there isn't a hint of excitement in the air. I have run into some of our children modeling their snazzy masks. Most seem to be happy catching up with their friends after the longest March Break in history. I am hearing about all the ways they have entertained themselves and the marvel at the creativity and ability to adapt to the unusual "new normal" that we find ourselves in.

All of our students, parents, teachers, administrators and support staff are in my prayers that all will be well. If we all "pull together" to find creative and successful ways to navigate through the upcoming months of school, we are on our way to rise to the challenge not to be overwhelmed by fear.

In the parish we are off and running with our plans for the new pastoral year.

Michael Masci, Nisha Fernandes and I have completed the schedule for the Confirmation and First Communion celebrations that were missed in the spring.

First Communion will be celebrated on – Sunday, November 1 and Sunday, November 8 at 3:00pm.

Confirmation will be celebrated on – Sunday, November 15 at 3:00pm.

Information regarding the celebration of Sacraments for 2021 will be forthcoming.

We welcome new members to our parish, and would love to see children from St. Michael more regularly attending Sunday Mass.

I hope that you will find peace in these weeks before the beginning of Advent and that the gift of patience will hover over our community as we test the waters of new beginnings.

Be well,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fr. Anthony', written in a cursive style.