## "Safe and Caring School Communities"

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The York Catholic District School Board has a primary responsibility and goal to ensure a safe learning environment for all of our students and staff in our school community.

As part of our safety initiative St. Michael Catholic Academy, along with all other schools in the York Catholic District School Board, will be practicing a variety of safety procedures with students and staff. All of our drills and practice procedures will align with current advice from both York Public Health and our First Responders (Fire and Police).

The week October 5 – October 9, 2020 has been designated as "Safety Awareness Week". During this week, we will be rehearsing a variety of emergency school procedures to acquaint students and staff with the precautionary steps to take in the event of such things as a warning of severe weather, an intruder or a fire evacuation. In addition, throughout the year we will hold practice drills to acquaint students with various emergency protocols. Teachers will review these procedures with students in class prior to our practice drills.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the school. Thank you for your support.

D. Fitzpatrick Principal