



OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

November 25, 2025

Dear principals, staff and families,

Greetings in Christ! I pray all of you have a restful and peaceful Thanksgiving break filled with blessings, and that your children will return to us energized and ready to learn as we head into the homestretch of this semester.

I am writing to share with you news that the Very Reverend Timothy Reid is transitioning out of his role as Vicar of Education for Catholic Schools after five years of leadership that have brought us extraordinary growth and success.

Father Reid's spiritual guidance has had a meaningful and enduring impact on our Catholic Schools. During his tenure, our schools have thrived academically, operationally and spiritually, and overall enrollment at our 20 schools has grown more than 20%.

Education rooted in faith has been a defining hallmark of Father Reid's priestly ministry – from his service as chaplain at Charlotte Catholic High School from 2020-2022 to his long-standing role on the formation faculty at St. Joseph College Seminary. In 2020, Bishop Peter Jugis appointed him the Diocese of Charlotte's first Vicar of Education for Catholic Schools, a responsibility he embraced while continuing to shepherd the growing and vibrant St. Ann Parish, where he has served for most of his nearly two decades of priestly ministry. Taking on this newly created role at the height of the pandemic, Father Reid offered steady spiritual guidance as our schools navigated remote learning and then returned safely to in-person instruction.

He spearheaded the diocese's efforts to bring our MACS and parochial schools together as one united system and nurtured the Catholic identity within our schools. Under his leadership, we opened the MACS Fine Arts Center at Charlotte Catholic, and expanded or launched major building projects at Asheville Catholic, Christ the King, Holy Trinity, Our Lady of Mercy, Our Lady of Grace, Immaculata and St. Ann. Our schools have also seen an increase in the number and size of academic scholarships our students receive, established annual funds at each school, and created endowments to help support our schools long-term. In 2023, the Diocese of Charlotte's school system was recognized nationally with the prestigious "Catholic Organization of the Year" award bestowed by the Catholic Education Foundation.

Throughout his tenure, Father Reid has been a tireless champion of our mission to form disciples of Jesus Christ who pursue excellence and go forth to transform the world. The work of our Catholic Schools is ultimately the work of salvation, and he has always approached his role as Vicar of Education as a natural extension of his priestly ministry. Now, with the conclusion of his commitment to serving in this role, Father Reid wishes to devote more time to the growing needs of his parish and school – recognizing that as our spiritual fathers our priests are needed most among the people, providing the sacraments and offering pastoral care. Thanks to his direction, our Catholic Schools are strong and well positioned for the future.

I will continue to seek the wise counsel of Father Reid on education and other matters, as his insights have helped to form my own. Please join me in praying for his continued fruitful ministry, as I know he will keep praying for us.

Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "+ Michael T. Martin, OFM Conv." The signature is written in a cursive style with a cross at the beginning.

Most Reverend Michael T. Martin, OFM Conv.
Bishop of Charlotte