April 3, 2020

**Re.: Placer County Schools in Distance Learning Mode through the End of the School Year**

Dear Placer County Catholic School Community:

I am writing to inform you that, on the advice of Placer County Public Health, we have decided to remain in Distance Learning mode, with campuses closed to students, at St. Rose School in Roseville and St. Joseph School in Auburn through the end of the current school year.

From the start, we have been guided by the expert advice of county public health officials to determine when students will be able to safely return to campus. According to the latest information from Placer County Health Officer Dr. Aimee Sisson, "it will not be safe for students to return to school in a traditional in-person model through the end of May into early June," effectively keeping campuses closed through the end of the academic year.

Our distance learning program will continue to provide full-credit academic instruction through the end of the school year. I am grateful for your tremendous efforts to make Distance Learning a success for our students.

Placer County Public Health is the first health department in our diocese to offer this level of clarity. We expect neighboring counties to make similar recommendations shortly.

Thank you for your commitment to Catholic schools.

St. Rose of Lima, pray for us!
St. Joseph, pray for us!

Peace,

Lincoln Snyder
Superintendent and Executive Director of Schools
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