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**Catholic Elementary Schools of the Archdiocese of New York to Close
Tomorrow Due to Impending Snow Storm**
This Will be a Traditional Snow Day with No Remote Learning

(January 31, 2021 – New York, NY) – All Catholic Elementary Schools in the Archdiocese of New York, will be closed tomorrow, Monday, February 1, due to the expected major snow storm. The National Weather Service expects the slow moving system to bring accumulations exceeding 12 inches in some areas, as well as winds gusting as high as 40 MPH which will cause hazardous driving conditions and the potential for power outages throughout the Metropolitan Area. Tomorrow will be a “traditional snow day” with no remote instruction. All Catholic schools have snow days built into their calendars with contingencies for making up instruction time.

Archdiocese High Schools operate independently, so high school families need to follow instructions from their individual schools.

“While we are all looking forward to kicking off Catholic Schools Week, the safety and well-being of our teachers, staff and families are always primary, and this is a serious storm that will impact the entire metropolitan area,” said Superintendent of Schools Mr. Michael J. Deegan. “All schools in the archdiocese have provisions for ‘traditional snow days’ in their calendars, and Monday will be exactly that, with no online instruction and all school buildings closed. We will launch our annual celebrations Tuesday.”

“We anticipate that everyone associated with our schools will continue to take all COVID precautions tomorrow, since the pandemic does not take a snow day or a holiday,” said Mr. Deegan.

About the Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of New York:

Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of New York serve nearly 60,000 students from Pre-K through 12th grade across 172 schools in ten counties and boroughs throughout New York, including Manhattan, the Bronx, Staten Island, Westchester, Putnam, Rockland, Ulster, Sullivan, Orange and Dutchess. Catholic schools offer a unique combination of academic and spiritual development that empowers children of all backgrounds to gain the confidence to realize their fullest potential. To learn more about the Archdiocese of New York's Catholic schools, visit www.catholicschoolsny.org or www.facebook.com/CatholicSchoolsArchdioceseNewYork.

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