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*For Immediate Release*

**Catholic Elementary Schools of the Archdiocese of New York to Remain  
Closed Tuesday Due to Prolonged Snow Storm**  
*This Will be a Traditional Snow Day with No Remote Learning*

*(February 1, 2021 – New York, NY)* – All Catholic Elementary Schools in the Archdiocese of New York, will remain closed tomorrow, Tuesday, February 2, due to the impact of the continuing major snow storm. The National Weather Service predicts the slow moving system has the potential to continue to produce accumulating snow as late as mid-day Tuesday. The accompanying winds gusting as high as 40 MPH will continue to cause hazardous driving conditions and the potential for power outages throughout the Metropolitan Area. Tomorrow will also 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.

- **Tomorrow’s closure includes all UPK and 3K programs that are provided in Catholic elementary school buildings.**
- **Archdiocese High Schools operate independently, so high school families need to follow instructions from their individual schools.**

“This extreme weather event continues to impact the entire metropolitan area and our concern now, as always, is the safety of our families and our dedicated principals and teachers,” said Superintendent of Schools Mr. Michael J. Deegan. “We value the social-emotional and spiritual health benefits of these traditional snow days, which is why we provide contingencies for these events in the school year calendar.”

“We continue to urge our families and staff to observe all COVID precautions while away from school, as we intend to *keep* our buildings safe as we have since the beginning of the public health crisis.” 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.catholicschoolsny.org) or [www.facebook.com/CatholicSchoolsArchdioceseNewYork](https://www.facebook.com/CatholicSchoolsArchdioceseNewYork).

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