

Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish School invites you and your family to discern joining us on mission! We exist to offer everyone in our community a life-changing encounter with Jesus and to form our students as leaders who will transform the culture. As part of this mission, we are aligned to the Archdiocese of Detroit's vision for Catholic schools to unleash the Gospel in our schools and form intentional disciples for Jesus Christ.

To help you discern partnering with us, please review the Archdiocese's pillars for Catholic Schools and our vision statements for what we believe and how we are striving to live as a Christian community. We want all of our families to grow on the journey of faith together. The relationship between a parent and child is sacred. Respecting this and your role as the parent and primary educator of your child, prayerfully consider how your own beliefs align with ours so you can assess your family's desire to be a part of our community.

## As Proudly Catholic

We believe...

- In upholding and embracing the teachings of the Catholic Church to unleash the Gospel, form disciples and witness to the greater community with love.
- In growing in holiness together by living the virtues and practicing a rich, sacramental life as the school and for families as the domestic church.
- In nurturing a culture of personal and communal prayer as the foundation to grow in relationship with God.

## As Academically Excellent

We believe...

- In the continual formation of the heart, mind and soul as essential to reach one's God-given purpose.
- In fostering a challenging educational environment where students integrate faith with reason in critical thinking, intellectual curiosity and a lifelong love of learning.
- In ensuring children achieve their highest academic potential while developing their gifts and leadership skills through the lens of our Catholic faith.

## As Accessible for All

We believe...

• In making a Catholic education affordable for all families and accessible to children with various needs.

- In the importance of hospitality and welcoming families from diverse backgrounds and cultures to become one family in faith.
- In partnering with our Family of Parishes and greater community to raise all of our children in the fullness and beauty of our Catholic faith.

## As Sustainable for the Future

We believe ...

- In the shared commitment to fundraise and financially support our school.
- In the importance of maintaining and building connections with alumni and the greater community through service, partnership and/or financial support.
- In advancement planning as responsible stewards of the resources God has entrusted to us, including human, financial and facilities, to ensure a Catholic education is available for generations to come.

Catholic education is above all a question of communicating Christ, of helping to form Christ in the lives of others. **St. John Paul II** 

Catholic schools especially have a priority: that of bringing forth what is learned in school into a Christian vision of the world, of life, of culture and of history. Congregation for Catholic Education