



# County Commissioners of Charles County

## PROCLAMATION 2026-04

### Catholic Schools Week

WHEREAS, Catholic Schools Week is an annual, nationwide celebration of Catholic education in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the three Catholic elementary schools serving the Charles County region within the Archdiocese of Washington: Archbishop Neale School, St. Mary's Bryantown, and St. Peter's School, represent an important and respected segment of the County's educational community; and

WHEREAS, these Catholic schools provide excellent academic programs, promote moral and spiritual values, and foster self-discipline grounded in respect, serving hundreds of students each academic year; and

WHEREAS, the success of Catholic schools is rooted in the formation of caring and supportive communities of parents, teachers, administrators, students and staff dedicated to academic excellence and a commitment to developing moral values; and

WHEREAS, the theme for 2026 is "Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community" emphasizes unity and the role of Catholic schools in forming students in faith, mind, and spirit, with a focus on holiness through ordinary life, service, and family involvement; and

WHEREAS, Catholic schools in Charles County have demonstrated a strong commitment to serving their communities through programs of outreach and human service.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim January 25 - 31, 2026 as Catholic Schools Week in Charles County and encourage all residents to recognize the contributions of Catholic schools to education, community service, and character development throughout our County.

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