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Dear Parents and Guardians,

In the wake of much somber news this week regarding parish closings and mergers throughout the Archdiocese of Hartford, I am writing to assure you of the strength and success of St. Thomas the Apostle School and Parish.

As an alumni parent, parishioner and chair of the School Board's advancement committee, I am truly proud of our school's continued commitment to excellence in Catholic education as it approaches its eightieth birthday this fall. Thanks to the leadership of Principal Colleen W. DiSanto and Pastor Rev. Edward M. Moran, as well as the hard work of our dedicated teachers, St. Thomas the Apostle is able to provide a faith-filled, rigorous academic experience for all 228 students in PreK3- grade five.

This unique combination of academic rigor in a nurturing, faith-filled environment is what led my husband and I to choose St. Thomas the Apostle for our child 11 years ago. Whether collaborating in small reading groups, leading a prayer service for the entire school, working independently on a math assignment, or receiving individualized instruction from a teacher, students are fully engaged in the learning process. The result is an enthusiasm for learning and measurable success for each and every child.

As St. Thomas the Apostle begins its eightieth year, I invite you to join in the important work of sustaining our mission. To date, our Annual Fund Drive has raised just \$43,000 toward a goal of \$75,000. We need your financial support to help cover operating expenses and fund scholarship opportunities for those who want a Catholic education for their child, but simply can't afford it.

Please contribute to St. Thomas the Apostle School's Annual Fund today and help us meet this critical goal before our fiscal year ends on June 30th.

If you have any questions, please contact me or the school's director of advancement Diane Klingman at: 860-236-6257.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Barbara Aiudi". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Barbara Aiudi
School Board