## 2,000 Catholic School Teachers and Administrators to Gather for First Convocation to Kick Off Upcoming School Year

The Archdiocese of Baltimore's Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Barbara McGraw Edmondson, will welcome approximately 2,000 Catholic school teachers and administrators to the 2011/2012 school year at the inaugural Catholic Schools Convocation Monday, August 22 from 9:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. at the Baltimore Convention Center. Archbishop Edwin O'Brien will offer a special video greeting, while Auxiliary Bishops Mitchell T. Rozanski and Denis J. Madden will concelebrate a special Mass.



"This gathering will give us an opportunity to come together as Catholic school educators to celebrate our sharedcommitment to enriching the lives of our students through Catholic education," said Dr. Edmondson "We enter the new academic year energized by the vision and vitality of our Strategic Plan and the continued enthusiasm and commitment of all who support Catholic schools in our Archdiocese."

Themed, "Nurturing the Divine Within," the Convocation will include a Mass of thanksgiving for the upcoming school year, as well as an award ceremony recognizing those Catholic educators celebrating milestone anniversaries. Mr. Todd Whitaker, a leading presenter in the field of education and author of the best-seller, What Great Teachers Do Differently, will deliver the keynote address.

The Archdiocese of Baltimore's Catholic schools provide an academically excellent, Christ-centered education that empowers students to reach their full potential. For more information about our schools, please call 1-800-5-Catholic or visit www.archbalt.org. For more information about this event, please RSVP to Samantha

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