Archbishop Lori and Dr. Barbara Edmondson Visit Area Catholic Schools on First Day

Archbishop William E. Lori and Dr. Barbara Edmondson, Superintendent of Schools, will greet students and their families at Our Lady of Grace, Parkton, St. Joseph School, Cockeysville, and Immaculate Conception School, Towson, on Monday, August 26, for the start of the new school year.

Our Lady of Grace School, St. Joseph School, and Immaculate Conception School are co-educational Catholic Elementary and Middle Schools, serving students in Kindergarten through grade 8. Archbishop Lori will greet students arriving for school at Our Lady of Grace, speak at a student assembly at St. Joseph, and tour the newly completed middle school at Immaculate Conception.

WHEN:	Monday, August 26, 2012
WHERE:	7:30 a.m.
	Our Lady of Grace School
	8310 Middletown Road
	Parkton, MD 21220
	9:00 a.m. (approximate)
	St. Joseph School
	100 Church Lane
	Cockeysville, Maryland 21230
	10:00 a.m. (approximate)
	Immaculate Conception School
	112 Ware Avenue
	Towson, Maryland 21204

<u>About Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of Baltimore</u>:

- More than 27,000 students in 70 Catholic schools;
- 13 recognized as national Blue Ribbon schools;
- Catholic elementary school students score in the top fourth nationally on standardized tests;
- Catholic middle school students score in the top third on standardized tests in reading and math;
- Catholic high school students average 100 points higher on the SAT than the national average; and
- 99% of students graduate high school; 98% attend college.

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