## Catholic Schools Week is January 30-February 5

Cardinal William H. Keeler, Archbishop of Baltimore, and Dr. Ronald J. Valenti, Superintendent of Schools, announced today that all Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Baltimore will celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2005 by hosting special events for students, families and guests.

This year's nationwide theme of Catholic Schools Week is, "Faith in Every Student: Catholic Schools." The week runs from Jan. 30 to Feb. 5 in Catholic schools throughout the nation and was launched 31 years ago.

National Appreciation Day for Catholic Schools will be observed Wednesday, February 2.

The purpose of Catholic Schools Week is to build support and recognition for the almost 8,000 Catholic schools nationwide. During this week, many dioceses encourage parents to enroll their children in Catholic schools. Catholic Schools Week also is an opportunity to interest citizens in volunteering their time and talents to local Catholic schools.

"The remarkable achievements of our young people are due, in large part, to the commitment of our wonderful teachers and administrators, and to the quality of the morally-rooted and faith-based education we provide," Cardinal Keeler said. "Catholic Schools Week offers us an opportunity to share with the community the accomplishments and contributions of our students, of whom we are most proud."

For a list of activities and events planned for Catholic Schools Week 2005, please click here or log onto www.archbalt.org.