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Dear Catholic School Parent,

Last year SS. Peter and Paul distributed a record amount of tuition assistance to families to assist them in providing their children with a quality Catholic education at our parish school. We anticipate similar requests for financial assistance in the coming year. SS. Peter and Paul is glad to assist those families who require that assistance and we encourage you to apply again even if you are not certain whether such assistance will be necessary.

The advantage of applying early is that you have **two opportunities** to receive assistance. The first opportunity is offered by the **Catholic Education Endowment Fund held by the Diocese of Joliet**. If you apply before **March 1st** for this assistance, you may receive help from the Diocese of Joliet. The **Diocesan Catholic Education Foundation** will award 300 need-based tuition assistance grants for the school year to elementary school students enrolled in Catholic diocesan schools. The grants are \$500 per student, with a maximum award of \$1,000 per family. Students entering kindergarten through grade eight are eligible. Scholarships are awarded annually and an application form must be completed each year. Applications for the school year will be available in February 2010. Families needing financial assistance must complete an application form and submit the \$25 application fee. For your convenience, the application form can also be filled out online at www.factsmgmt.com after January 1, 2010. Applications submitted prior to that date will not be considered. Questions on how to complete the form can be answered by calling the FACTS Office directly at 1-866-315-9262. For additional information about the tuition assistance program, contact Jane Lagger, Director of the Catholic Education Foundation, at 815-834-4033 or by email jlagger@dioceseofjoliet.org

The second opportunity to receive assistance comes from **SS. Peter and Paul Development Board** who raise money through the annual golf outing and other sources. Our endowment fund has also set some funds aside for this purpose. This process is confidential and your personal financial information is only viewed by Fr. Milota. Applying early for this assistance can help the parish and development board plan to meet the needs of our community. I would suggest that you apply for assistance from SS. Peter and Paul at the same time that you are applying for assistance from the Diocese. You may once again apply on-line at www.factsmgmt.com. Unfortunately, we are not able to offer assistance to you unless you apply through FACTS. If you would prefer to apply by submitting a written application or you have questions regarding tuition assistance, please phone or email my secretary, Jessica Payne, at 630-718-2108 or jpayne@sspeterandpaul.net.

Please know of my prayers for you and your family for the coming year.

In Christ,

Fr. Thomas A. Milota