



April 13, 2021

Dear Alumni and Friends,

It is with deep sadness that I write to you today to inform you of the difficult decision made to close St. Joseph High School at the end of the current academic year.

Amid the current COVID pandemic, with its severe impact on the finances of many families, and the serious fiscal burdens St. Joseph High School has experienced during the past several years, as well as our steadily declining school enrollment, the Board of Directors has reluctantly made the recommendation to the Christian Brothers to cease operation of St. Joseph High School at the conclusion of the current academic year. After a comprehensive review by the leadership council of the Christian Brothers, the recommendation of our Board was accepted.

Over the past 61 years, St. Joseph High School has touched the hearts and minds of over 11,600 young men and women, instilling in them a spirit of faith and zeal and a desire to be of service to others. This could not have happened if it were not for your many dedicated teachers, counselors and coaches who gave of themselves to assist you in becoming the best person you could possibly be. Frequently I hear stories of these great men and women. We all owe them so much.

I want to personally thank you for all that you have done for St. Joseph High School. You are the heart of this great school. It is through your efforts and generosity that St. Joe's has been able to touch the lives of so many Chargers over the past 61 years! I will continue to keep you in my thoughts and prayers. Please keep all our St. Joseph High School family in your prayers as well.

You may have questions and concerns. If you do, I ask that you please direct these questions and concerns to me. I am available during regular school hours by phone (708-562-4433, ext. 141) or by email (dhotek@stjoeshs.org).

Sincerely,

David Hotek, AFSC
Principal



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