



Office of the Bishop

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Happy Catholic Education Week!

Each year we are given the opportunity to celebrate the gift of Catholic education. This gift is a *"treasure,"* a *"pearl of great value"* (Mt 13.44-46), which we are fortunate and blessed to have in the Diocese of Nelson.

Catholic education couldn't happen if not for all of our dedicated staff, parent support groups, volunteers, and of course, our students. For each and every one, we are deeply grateful.

All of our schools will be marking this week with special events and celebrations. I encourage all of you to visit and partake in these activities.

May Christ the Teacher continue to guide and inspire our educators, staff and students as they grow in Faith and Love in our Catholic schools.

God bless you.

Sincerely in Christ our Lord,

✠ Gregory J. Bittman
Bishop of Nelson