

## DECEMBER 7, 2017 - RETIREMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear St. Celestine School Families and Parishioners,

For the past 35 years I have had the privilege of serving the St. Celestine School community. I have been fortunate to serve as a teacher here first and then I was blessed when the opportunity came to lead this wonderful school.

With the support of dedicated teachers that always strive to grow and learn new techniques, sacrificing parents, and an involved parish, St. Celestine School is a thriving, loving, and caring place to learn. Through the years I have witnessed the growth and development of so many families it is hard to count. Since faith formation is a primary focus of our school education, I believe our students grow daily in their faith. I hope as a community that they will be true followers of Christ.

I began teaching in the classroom in 1982 with the introduction of Apple II computers. With the help and guidance of many people we achieved our wonderful technology program we have today with interactive boards and 1:1 technology for every student. We are truly helping our students become 21st century learners. The infrastructure of our school has been updated through the years. When we received the noise abatement grant our school was able to have a new boiler system, air conditioning, new lighting and wiring throughout the school. We are fortunate that we are in good financial standing for future projects and growth.

I am forever grateful for the opportunity to serve you all these years. I have been blessed to be the keeper of the school, but now it is time for me to retire as of June 2018. I know St. Celestine will continue to be a growing thriving school in the future under the gifts and talents of a new leader.

As I tell outgoing 8th grade students, you may be leaving the school but you are still a member of the parish and will always have St. Celestine in your heart. I have been a parishioner at St. Celestine for over 45 years and will continue to be a parishioner. I look forward to seeing you still.

May God continue to watch over all of you as well as me. As I retire, my memories and many friendships will sustain me in the future.

Gratefully,

Mrs. Jeanine Rocchi - St. Celestine School Principal