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### **Diocese of Charleston names new superintendent of Catholic schools**

CHARLESTON, SC – The Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmo has named a new superintendent for the state’s Catholic schools. William “Bill” Ryan will join the Diocese of Charleston from the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C. where he has served as Secretary for Catholic Schools since 2015. Prior to that role, Ryan has more than 20 years of leadership experience with public school systems in Maryland as Employee Performance and Evaluation Officer, Executive Director of School Improvement & School Administration, and Principal.

Ryan holds a Superintendents Certificate from the California University of Pennsylvania, a Master of Administration & Supervision in Education from Bowie State University, and a Bachelor of Science degree from Bloomsburg University. He has been a presenter at numerous national conferences and workshops and has consulted with school systems and task forces on various topics in education.

“We look forward to begin our work with Mr. Ryan as our new superintendent of schools,” said Bishop Guglielmo. “His particular experience and leadership skills will enhance and improve upon our academic goals. And, together, we will prepare our children for the future with the solid foundation that a truly Catholic education can provide.”

Ryan will oversee 32 diocesan and parish elementary and high schools across South Carolina when he begins on July 1. That same day, the current superintendent, Sandra Leatherwood, will assume a new part-time role as the Diocese’s Accreditation Coordinator.

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