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Media Advisory:

Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools Celebrates 150 years of Faith with “Mass on the Hill” Up to 6,000 Expected to Attend!

For Immediate Release

(June 9, 2015) St. Albert, Morinville, Legal - Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools' is hosting an outdoor mass to commemorate the 150th anniversary of Catholic Education in the region. The Mass on the Hill is one of the grand finale events in a yearlong celebration of faith-based education. This milestone also honours our founding members, the Grey Nuns who opened the first school building in the region on September 19, 1864.

Staff and students from across the School District will be gathering for this celebration along with parents, community members and special guests. Over six thousand people are expected to be in attendance and the main celebrant at Mass will be Archbishop Richard Smith of the Archdiocese of Edmonton. Parish priests from St. Albert, Morinville, and Legal, as well as some Oblate priests who have served within the community over the years are expected to attend.

The details are as follows:

- **Date:** Thursday, June 11, 2015
- **Time:** 9:45 – 11:00 a.m.
- **Place:** The hill behind École Father Jan School (15 Mission Avenue, St. Albert)

“Our Mass on the Hill is an opportunity for us to recognize our rich history, to give thanks to God for the blessings we have received, and to celebrate the strength of our community” comments David Keohane, Superintendent. “It also provides an opportunity for our students to experience the richness of their faith and to learn about the historical significance of the area.”

There will be some reserved parking for media at the District office at 6 St. Vital Avenue as there will be no public parking in the area. We hope you will be able to join us for this celebration of both faith and community.

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