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600 CATHOLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
11TH ANNUAL FOURTH GRADE SONGFEST

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., February 26, 2007- Nearly 600 fourth grade students representing 28 elementary schools in the Diocese of Grand Rapids will gather for the **11th Annual Fourth Grade Songfest, Wednesday, February 28, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the DeltaPlex Entertainment and Expo Center, 2500 Turner Avenue, Grand Rapids, MI.**

The students have been learning the lyrics and music from very special selections that were chosen because of their relevance to the fourth grade diocesan curriculum. Earlier in the year, students were assigned a pen pal from a participating school. The pen pals will have the opportunity to meet and have lunch on the day of the program.

“The songfest continues to be a favorite event for our 4th grade students and parents. The occasion creates a joyous setting where students gather in song and meet new friends. We look forward to it each year,” said Dr. Bernard Stanko, superintendent for diocesan elementary education.

There are over 7500 students in the 39 Catholic schools in the Diocese of Grand Rapids. The diocese serves 170,000 Catholics in 102 parishes and missions throughout an eleven county area.

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