## MEDIA RELEASE

After conducting an extensive search, Clement V. Martin, a Catholic school leader and educator, has been named the next president of Christ the King Jesuit College Preparatory School, effective July 1, 2013. Martin will become the school's second president and replaces Rev. Christopher J. Devron, S.J., who will return to the New York Province of the Society of Jesus in his new role as President of Fordham Preparatory School (Bronx, NY), after coming to Chicago to help establish Christ the King six years ago.

An experienced Catholic school leader, Martin has demonstrated a commitment to social justice and helped create access to quality, educational opportunities for underserved students. He comes to Christ the King after serving as the executive director of Cicero Catholic Schools, where he built a reputation as a mission-driven educator focused on expanding school enrollment. Educated in the Jesuit tradition at the College of the Holy Cross (Worcester, MA), Martin is deeply motivated to extend Christ the King's mission to a growing number of students, and is committed to helping them become "men and women for others," dedicated to God's greater glory.

"We are thrilled to welcome Clem Martin as the new president of Christ the King, and we are confident that he will carry on Fr. Devron's efforts and legacy of passion and success in educating students on the West Side of Chicago," said Scott Murray, Chairman of the CTK Board of Directors. "Personally impacted by the values of his own Jesuit education, Clem brings an appreciation of the Cristo Rey model; experience in both education and business; and a record of exemplary school leadership," Murray stated.

Prior to his current role as executive director, Martin served as principal of Our Lady of Charity and St. Frances of Rome, in Cicero, IL. Martin also brings with him a background as a classroom teacher in mathematics and religion. He began his career in education by serving as a lay volunteer teacher and member of the Inner City Teaching Corps (now the Alain Locke Initiative), and he has experience in the field of international finance. At Holy Cross he received a Bachelors of Arts degree in history. He has received a Master of Arts in educational administration from Dominican University (River Forest, IL), and a Master of Arts in curriculum and instruction from Loyola University Chicago.

"I am deeply honored to join CTK's Jesuit, Cristo Rey mission to educate students on Chicago's West Side," said Martin. "I am eager to become part of CTK's pioneering vision and mission that is transforming the lives and futures of so many young people, and I am excited to contribute to the innovative Cristo Rey model in which high school students have the opportunity to earn their tuition while gaining valuable, on-the-job experience through the Corporate Work Study Program. I look forward to helping CTK grow its mission and expand its effort to educate more deserving students."

Martin and his family are residents of Chicago. He and his wife, Norma, a first grade Chicago public school teacher, have three children: Clemente, Mateo and Itzel, who all attend Catholic schools.

## **About Christ the King Jesuit College Preparatory School**

Founded in 2008, Christ the King Jesuit College Preparatory School is a Catholic Jesuit, independent, coeducational, college preparatory school for students from families on Chicago's West Side who would otherwise not have access to a private high school education. Sponsored by the Chicago Detroit Society of Jesus, Christ the King offers students a strong academic and spiritual foundation integrated with a Corporate Work Study Program in a safe, disciplined, faith-based and nurturing environment. To learn more about Christ the King Jesuit Prep, please visit www.ctkjesuit.org.

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