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***Poland Native and Former SS. Cyril & Methodius Seminarian  
Named New Chancellor of Orchard Lake Schools***

ORCHARD LAKE, Mich. (7-24-17) — Very Reverend Canon Miroslaw K. Krol, M.A., S.T.L., a native of Poland and former student of SS. Cyril & Methodius Seminary, is the new Chancellor of the Orchard Lake Schools, succeeding Msgr. Thomas C. Machalski, Jr. whose term expired and has returned to the Archdiocese of Brooklyn, New York.

After a long and arduous search process, the Orchard Lake Schools Board of Regents voted overwhelmingly on Rev. Krol's appointment. The native of Poland attended SS. Cyril & Methodius Seminary at Orchard Lake for two years before completing his theological studies at the Immaculate Conception Seminary of Seton Hall University in South Orange, New Jersey. In 1999, he was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Newark, New Jersey and served in various parishes.

In 2006, Cardinal Adam Maida appointed Rev. Krol the Dean of Human Formation at SS. Cyril & Methodius Seminary. Two years later, he was named Vice Rector, a position he held for five years.

He went on to serve as the Director of the Blessed John Paul II *Be Not Afraid* Center in the United States. In this capacity, he also served as its spiritual leader and oversaw its U.S. fundraising efforts.

In 2011, Rev. Krol was also appointed the Pastor of St. Theresa parish in Linden, NJ. It was named the Archdiocesan Shrine of the Blessed John Paul II two years later, and Krol was appointed the first rector of the Shrine.

“Reverend Krol’s dedication to the mission of the Orchard Lake Schools, his experience, and the vigor and enthusiasm he will bring to us are what we sought in our new Chancellor,” said Stephen Gross, Chairman, Orchard Lake Schools Board of Regents. “We welcome and look forward to working with him.”