The riches of human life and its beauty lie in the variety of positions and duties people perform in society. Every one of them is an expression of a vocation God has entrusted to each person according to his gifts and his abilities.

All the readings of this Sunday are about vocation. While the first talks about the vocation of Jeremiah, the Gospel focuses on the beginning of the mission of Jesus and the difficulties linked to it.

Every vocation is a task; it has its joys and its hardships. However, whatever the difficulties someone can have, God cannot abandon him. If he trusts God and puts him above everything, God can make him strong like a pillar, and prevail against his enemies.

In order to succeed in one’s vocation only one thing is needed, namely the love of one’s duty and task, as St. Paul says.

Today, we want to talk about a special vocation God has given us for the future of our children, that is, the school. In fact, this week is destined to Catholic School throughout our Diocese.

We know how important Catholic School is, as that place where our children can receive catholic education in a Christian, wholesome, and safe atmosphere. Such purpose is achieved by providing for our children an environment in which to witness, share and grow in the faith community.

In would like to thank each one of you for what you do and keep doing for St John School. May God continue to bless you! In order to be fair, and as I strongly encourage you to support our school, I would like to invite those dedicated to this task to come and talk about Catholic school.