

#### St. Rose Catholic School Mission Statement

Saint Rose Catholic School partners with parents to provide a high-quality Catholic education with academic excellence in a faith-filled community for children in preschool through eighth grade.

#### **Prayer For Christmas**

Dear Father, thank you for all we have in our lives. I am especially thankful this time of year, as I contemplate about Your gifts. All that You have given us and the love you have put in our lives. Father, thank you for your love and guidance.

Father, please help my family as we head for Christmas and the new year. Lord, we ask for Your love to penetrate our lives. We're thankful for all we have, and we pray that we can maintain our focus on what is right and good. Father, please guard us throughout the holiday season and prepare our hearts for what comes in the new year. In the name of Your son Jesus I pray.

Amen.

95.50% of 111 parents' responses in the 2021 - 2022 Parent Satisfaction Survey answered "Yes" to the question, "Do you feel that the education received is worth the tuition cost?"

#### Message From the Principal

I'm pleased to be writing this newsletter from Yosemite as three staff members, and I are on a five-day NatureBridge Yosemite field trip chaperoning our 7th-grade class. This is our first time back to Yosemite since the Fall of 2019, just before COVID-19COVID-19 shut down trips such as this. This feels like another step in "getting back to normal." I wish that our classes of 2022 and 2023 had not missed out on this memorable field trip; however, I'm glad that we are back on schedule for current and future middle school classes.

Speaking of getting back to normal, in October, we were able to host a Harvest Festival that was incredible (I heard a few "this was the best one ever,") and in November, we returned to

an in-person Wine Country Half Marathon and 10K which hosted nearly 600 participants. Thanks to Beth Telford and her team for putting on the Harvest Festival and to the Wine County Committee of Ashley Blake, Stephanie Cadwallader, Nancy Hoover, and their team for an excellent day for all runners.

Next up on the "getting back to normal" docket is December's Christmas Pageant and January's Crab Feed to help defray the costs of the 7th grade Yosemite Field Trip. I hope you have already bought your tickets, as the event is SOLD OUT before the Thanksgiving Holiday. Thank you to Crab Feed Chair Estera Semeniuc and the 7th-grade families for their hard work. I know many are looking forward to this traditional school event come January!



#### **New Items/Upcoming Events**

**St. Rose Catholic School Golf Tournament:** I have the final numbers on the 2022 version of the 5th Annual St. Rose Catholic School Golf Tournament. **Our tournament netted \$23,950.02!** A little over 100 golfers...wait, individuals attempting to golf as some were not "golfers" came out to enjoy a day of golf and camaraderie at the Past Robles Hunter Ranch Golf Course. **This event was open to individuals of all skill levels, but the common theme I kept hearing from them was that it was FUN.** Perhaps the team that I saw genuinely having the most fun was the team that won the "Last Place Award." That is one of the great things about this event; you don't have

to be a golfer to compete. If you love fun, the 6th Annual St. Rose Catholic School Golf Tournament will be right up your alley. Thanks again to Laura Orradre, Joe Pechota, and their team for organizing this fun event.

Lunch Program Update: On Tuesday, November 29, we launched our new school lunch program! Currently, we will offer lunch through My Hot Lunchbox two days per week. Thursday's order saw 60 lunches ordered for St. Rose Catholic School students. Please see the following information from our hot lunch coordinators, Meagan Allgood and Nicole Moretto:

#### Hello St. Rose School Families,

We are excited to bring our hot lunch program back to St. Rose this year. We partnered with My Hot Lunchbox, a hot lunch provider company that contracts with local restaurants to deliver lunches to school. Hot lunches will be available two days a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Parents will do ordering and paying through their website, wherein you can order up to a whole month's worth of lunches with a daily variety of choices. Please note that your order needs to be in by noon the day before. Please see the attached instructions for creating an account and ordering. This program begins on Tuesday, November 29, 2022. As a reminder, to make this program work, we need the help of parent volunteers to serve hot lunches to our students. Please click <u>HERE</u> to participate and get those service hours out of the way! We hope this program will succeed and continue as a lunch provider for years to come.

If you have any questions regarding the menu or ordering, please do not hesitate to contact the customer service email and phone number on the attached instruction sheet. For questions regarding volunteering, please reach out to either Nicole or Meagan at <u>saintrosehotlunch@gmail.com</u>.

**St. Rose Catholic School Christmas Pageant:** On **Tuesday, December 13, at 6:00 pm**, we will return to hosting a St. Rose Catholic School Christmas Pageant. This program is hosted by the 8th-grade class and Ms. Uribe, with support from Ms. Knight and Mr. Bachman with music and singing. All students are incorporated into the program through traditional Christmas songs that they will be signing up on the stage to celebrate the birth of Jesus. We invite everyone to attend this fun event! Please be on the lookout for more information from your children's teachers.

#### **Old Items/Reminders**

PTO General Meetings: What is the PTO? How do I get involved with the PTO? I hear these questions from time to time, and I'll do my best to answer some of these questions right now. The PTO (Parent Teacher Organization) is an independent organization for parents and teachers with its operating budget. The PTO aims to benefit the education and development of all students and staff, foster communication with families, and host community-oriented events. All families are already members of the PTO; however, if you want to get more involved with PTO, you may reach out to Jennifer Roden (PTO President) at jnnfr5746@yahoo.com.

Our next PTO General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 13, @ 3:00 in the school library. Parents receive one hour of service hour credit for each meeting attended.

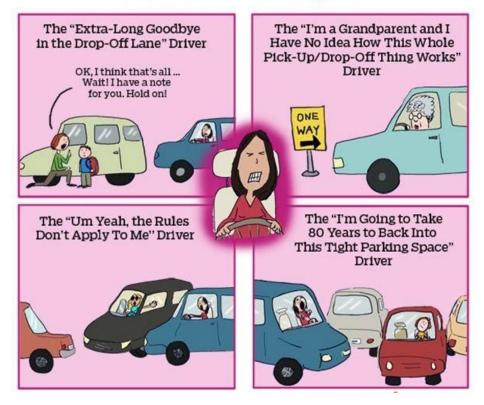
#### **Did You Know: School Parking Lot**

Please be ultra-cautious in the school parking lot and don't take our small school lot for granted. The safety of the students is of the utmost importance and I ask that you always be aware and cautious while driving in the school parking lot. A few basic rules to follow to ensure safety for all students and adults:

- Do not leave your vehicle running while you are not in it.
- Park in a standard parking spot if you plan on getting out of your vehicle. If you plan on getting out of the car to walk your child into/find your child at the end of the day, park in a marked parking spot.
- Do not "double park" even if only for a short time.
- Keep your speed under five mph.
- Do not block crosswalks.
- Move your car forward to allow other vehicles to pull in during pickup and dropoff times.
- Always be attentive, refrain from using your cell phone at this time.

I know that adults are often aware of the school children in and around the parking lot; however, the children are not always as aware of cars as you are of the children.

#### Four Types of Seriously Annoying Drivers in the School Parking Lot



Please be part of the solution, don't be one of these drivers! 😀

99.16% of 119 respondents on the 2021 - 2022 Parent Satisfaction Survey strongly agreed or agreed to the statement, "I feel that St. Rose is clean and orderly within the school grounds and in the classroom."

#### **December Dates to Remember**

Please remember that these dates or times may have to change between the writing of this newsletter and the time of the event. Always be sure to check out our up-to-date calendar located on our <u>website</u>.

#### **December:**

- 1: 7th Grade Crab Feed Meeting @ 3:00 in Room 8
- 2: Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal, Mass @ 8:30, Faculty Meeting @ 1:00
- 4: Family Mass @ 10:00
- 5: PTO Board Meeting @ 8:15
- 8: School Mass @ 8:30 (Immaculate Conception)
- 9: Christmas Pageant Practice @ 8:30, Middle School Dance @ 6:00
- 13: PTO General Meeting @ 3:00, SRS Christmas Pageant @ 6:00
- 15: 8th Grade Free Dress, SAC Board Meeting @ 5:30
- 16: Christmas Theme Free Dress, Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal, Extended Care Closed, Gospel

Awards @ 8:30, Advent Reconciliation @ 9:30

December 17 - January 2: Christmas Recess

Thank you again for your support and efforts in making the St. Rose Catholic School community a great place for my staff to educate your children!

Trevor







## WELCOME TO MY HOT LUNCHBOX!

We make lunch easy by offering a wide variety of options from your child's favorite restaurants! Below are the instructions to get you started.

## HOW TO CREATE AN ACCOUNT:



**GO TO** 

https://ordernow.myhotlunchbox.com/sign-up



# **CLICK**

'Create an account' then click 'Order Now' under the Customer field



## CREATE

Fill in all required fields to create your account and be sure to add a profile for each student you are ordering for

## Looking to make things easier?

Scan this QR code to take you directly to our sign-up page!



#### **Questions?**

For technical problems or questions regarding food, policies, missed or late orders, credits, and cancellations, please email info@myhotlunchbox.com or call (888) 894-8295

# **myhot** Junchbox

## Delivering Thousands of Lunches to Schools Nationwide

My Hot Lunchbox is a quick and easy lunch solution that offers your child's favorite restaurants, delivered to your school. We focus on having a variety of delicious options every day of the week, providing parents an alternative to packing lunch!

## Order in Advance

Ordering is opened two weeks before school begins so you will have plenty of time to look through the menus and order. You will get an email when ordering has opened for your school along with instructions on how to create an account. You can add, edit, or cancel an order up to 12 PM, noon, the day prior to delivery!

## Allergen Labeled & Customizable

Worried about a food allergy or dietary restriction? All menu items are allergen labeled on the lunch calendar and customizations are available from most of our vendors. Just be sure to voice these concerns and we will do everything we can to meet your school's needs!

## **Program Features**

My Hot Lunchbox provides a variety of features to make ordering lunch even easier! Our system allows you the option to copy an order and repeat through a selected date. We also offer a 'Subscription' feature so you can pick your favorites, copy them, and only be charged weekly!

## Questions about the lunch program?

Please email us at **info@myhotlunchbox.com**, call (888) 894-8295, or reach out to us on social media @myhotlunchbox









#### Lunch Program Frequently Asked Questions

#### When do I need to place, edit or cancel my order?

Ordering closes at noon on the day prior to each delivery day. This allows parents adequate time to prepare food and gives parents time to order. Vendors will receive final orders at noon on the day before delivery. Any changes to an order need to be made by this time as well.

#### Will I receive a refund for a cancelled meal?

We offer credits, not refunds, within our ordering system if a meal is edited or cancelled before the deadline. If there is an issue with a meal or it is missing, the school will need to contact My Hot Lunchbox in order to receive a credit to your account.

#### How do I create an account?

- 1) Go to ordernow.myhotlunchbox.com
- 2) Click 'Sign Up'
- 3) Click 'Order Now' under 'Customer'
- 4) Follow all prompts to create your account and your student(s) profile

#### How can I see the lunch menu?

Once you have created an account, you can view the daily menus on the Lunch Calendar page by clicking on the day of the week. You can also select the "Your Orders" tab to the left of the calendar to view any pending or paid orders as well as your transaction history.

#### Who prepares and delivers the meals?

We work with local, high-quality restaurants that we pre-approve. They are expected to be prompt and deliver hot, fresh meals to your student's school.

#### What forms of payment do you accept?

We accept Visa, Mastercard, Discover, American Express and Debit Cards (with a Visa or MasterCard logo).

If you have any additional questions, please contact My Hot Lunchbox at:

888-894-8295 or info@myhotlunchbox.com