

Pursuing excellence in faith, knowledge, and virtue.

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 May

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, O most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Message From the Principal

The end of the 2022 - 2023 school year is nearly upon us. There is still much to do this school year and a lot of planning and logistics for the 2023 - 2024 school year (some items are already set on the school calendar). That said, some of the more significant changes set are as follows:

• School-Wide:

• Minimum Days/Early Release: Traditionally, our calendar has had 20 minimum days (noon release) for years. Twelve of these minimum days are for staff meetings, four are for parent/teacher conferences, and four are for days leading into a vacation period (Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, and summer). Next year we will be moving away from this model and hosting early release days on Wednesday afternoons at 2:00. This model is familiar, as most schools and districts use it. The goal is for a more efficient, consistent, and timely way for me to host staff meetings, professional development, and time to address differentiation of instruction. Additionally, many school administrators I have talked to feel that it is less disjointed and allows more time to teach the core curriculum. Extended care will be available, and I will maintain the eight noon dismissal days for conferences and days leading into vacation periods.

Preschool

• I am excited to announce that we will **expand our St. Rose Catholic School Preschool next year!** We have wanted to do this for years and can finally do so.

The target opening day will be January 22, 2024, but if we can get our classroom licensed before, we will open earlier. Our daily capacity will go from 24 to roughly 44 students per day. We have typically been turning 20 - 30 families away each year as we can't enroll their children. We are looking forward to being able to expand this program and offer enrollment to more preschool-aged students. To do so, some logistical changes and remodeling this summer are necessary:

- We will convert our current second-grade classroom into an additional preschool classroom.
- Ms. Choboter's second-grade class will move to the current third-grade classroom
- Ms. Moreno's third-grade class will move to the current art/extended care room.
- Art will move to the "band room" in the Parish Hall, and extended care will move to room 7.
- Band will move to the library as the library will be re-arranged this summer to accommodate band. Band will run in the mornings and the library in the afternoons.

• Elementary School:

 Chromebook/Technology: Next year, we will add a 40-minute Chromebook/Technology special to the 1st - 5th-grade elementary school programming. This class will have various age-specific components, including keyboarding/typing, learning the Google universe, coding, and an internet safety component.

• Middle School Electives:

- Electives: Electives will be chosen semester-by-semester, with all students changing courses at the midpoint of the school year. All 6th-grade students will take an organizational, study skills, and transition into middle school elective class during the first semester. I have always seen this 5th to 6th-grade transition as the hardest at St. Rose Catholic School, and I want to help give the 6th-grade students the tools they need to be as successful as possible in middle school.
- Middle School Math: We will add a fourth section of math for the 2023 2024 school year, with our 8th grade having two courses: Algebra 1 and Math 8. Traditionally, we have offered Math 8 and will offer this Algebra course to prepare students better to test/be recommended for geometry in their freshman year of high school. More information will be coming to 7th-grade families on how we will determine which class students are eligible for.

99.16% of 119 respondents on the 2021 - 2022 Parent Satisfaction Survey strongly agreed or agreed with the statement "Appropriate safety and security measures are in place" at St. Rose Catholic School.

New Items/Upcoming Events

Principal for the Day: On Wednesday, May 24, I can step back from my duties and host **Hadley and Charlie Hoover as "Co-Principals of the Day."** The Hoover children will be able to assume my responsibilities due to obtaining a live auction item from this year's dinner auction. I always enjoy these days as you never know what might be in store for our students. Communication will be coming out to the second and fourth-grade classes before the day from their classmate/principal for the day.

Family Life: In religion classes during May, there will be a focus on the family life component of our RCL Benziger religion curriculum. I have attached a parent information letter, scope and sequence, and parent "opt-out" form if you do not wish to have your child(ren) participate in this yearly program.

2023 - 2024 School Year Staffing Information: I am working on staffing for the 2023 -2024 school year. Some changes will apply to the next school year:

- **First Grade Teacher:** While Ms. Clipperton will not leave St. Rose Catholic School, we will reallocate her services. We posted the open position last week and hope to begin interviews during the second week of May.
- **Fifth Grade Teacher:** Ms. Berra will return to the Central Valley to be closer to her family and friends. I thought we had a very experienced teacher lined up for this vacant position; however, an unexpected event came up within her family, and she will need to move to take care of her aging parents in-house.
- Elementary Classroom Assistant: After 25 + years at St. Rose Catholic School, Ms. Swensson will retire at the school year's end. She will be missed, but a familiar face will assume her position. Ms. Clipperton will take over her duties as an elementary classroom assistant and school librarian.
- Middle School Math and Social Studies: As a long-term substitute teacher, Brock Thoene has stabilized the middle school math and social studies programs after mid-year changes. We have been overly happy with Mr. Thoene's work, experience, and rapport with the students. Fortunately, Mr. Thoene has happily accepted the offer to stay on and become a permanent middle school faculty member during the 2023 - 2024 school year.
- **Spanish:** Two candidates have been interviewed, and one was offered the position; however, they wound up taking a job teaching Spanish at SLO High School.

School Calendar: I have set the framework of the school calendar for the upcoming year. The school year will begin on Monday, August 21, and the school year will end on Friday, June 7. Please visit our school <u>calendar</u> for a snapshot of the upcoming school year, including minimum days, holidays, and events.

St. Rose Catholic School Dinner Auction: After a two-year hiatus, we were back in person for our largest fundraiser of the school year. **Our auction chair, Jennie Sturgeon, and her team put on a memorable night at the Paso Robles Inn.** It was successful on all accounts: people had a good time, we easily covered what I budgeted for into the general school budget, and a very

successful "principal's fund" drive will allow us to begin the next school year with a shade structure over our lunch tables. Once final numbers become available, I will communicate it to the school community. Once again, a massive shout out to Jennie Sturgeon and the rest of the auction committee for a fun and successful evening! Believe it or not, planning has already been set in motion for next year's dinner auction!

May/June Dates to Remember

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

May:

- 1 5: Staff Appreciation Week
- 2: Middle School Elective Field Trip Day
- 4: Boys Volleyball @ Wishing Well
- 5: School Mass @ 8:30, Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal, Faculty Meeting @ 1:00
- 6: First Communion @ 2:00
- 7: Family Mass @ 10:00
- 8 19: Spring STAR Testing
- 8: PTO Board Meeting @ 8:15
- 9 12: 8th Grade Bay Area Field Trip
- 9: PTO General Meeting @ 3:00
- 10: 2nd Grade San Simeon Coastal Center Field Trip @ 9:30
- 11: Boys Volleyball @ Almond Acres
- 15: Parent Service Hour Forms Due
- 16: School Families @ 2:00: Water Day
- 17: Buck A Jeans Day
- 18: Middle School Beach Day, Boys Volleyball Home Game, SAC Board Meeting @ 5:30
- 19: 8th Grade Free Dress, Muffins with Mom @ 7:30, Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal, Faculty Cluster Meeting @ 1:00
- 22 25: 8th Grade Finals
- 23: CVPL Boys Volleyball Tournament TBA
- 25: CVPL Boys Volleyball Tournament TBA, Spirit Shirts, Gospel Awards @ 8:30
- 26: Baccalaureate Mass @ 10:00, Middle School Dance @ 6:00
- 29: No School/Memorial Day
- 30: 8th Grade Graduation @ 5:00

June:

- 5 8: 6th 7th Finals
- 5: PTO Board Meeting @ 8:15
- 6: Second Grade Field Trip to Central Coast Aquarium @ 9:00
- 8: Kindergarten Graduation @ 4:00
- 9: Last Day of School, Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal, School Mass @ 8:30

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



Congratulations to our middle school science fair award recipients: Charlie Sartain, Bella Ciampi, and Piper Arciero!



Dear Saint Rose Catholic School Family,

A portion of our religion curriculum here at Saint Rose Catholic School includes a Family-Life Component dealing with a cursory glance at human sexuality, promoting personal safety, and living a virtuous life based upon Catholic Church moral principles. Talking about Family Life is a most exciting and challenging process for any family. It can also be a daunting prospect, especially in today's media-saturated and often values-deprived culture, but no one is better equipped than you to carry out this most important educational task.

Saint Rose Catholic School believes that parents are the primary educators of their children. In keeping with church teaching, we pledge to assist families in factual instruction of human sexuality. "To give each learner an understanding of the nature and importance of sexuality as a divine gift, a fundamental component of personality, and an enrichment of the whole person—body, emotions, soul—whose deepest meaning is to lead the person to the gift of self-love (Df. Educational Guidance in Human Love, nos. 4, 16; Familiaris Consortio, nos. 37, 11, 32).

Some ideas that may be helpful for you to discuss this topic with your child include:

- Keeping an open line of communication with your child.
- Using teachable moments, don't just save the discussion for "the talk." Television shows, commercials, movies, and the internet are excellent opportunities to discuss human sexuality with your family.
- Don't be afraid to say you don't have all the answers. Sometimes you may need to prepare for a question or obtain additional factual information.
- Invite God into your discussions. Human sexuality and the human body is a gift from God.

Please discuss Family Life with your student. St. Rose Catholic School will run its Family Life program in May. Attached is a scope and sequence for the RCL Benziger Family Life Curriculum. If you would like to preview the Family Life materials for your child, please contact your child's teacher (Ms. Uribe for grades 6-8) to schedule a time to review the material. If you do not want your student to participate in Family Life, please complete the attached "Opt Out" form and return it to Ms. Machado in the school office.

Thank you,

Trevor Knable



2022 - 2023 Family Life Opt Out

I, choos	se to have my child/children (name(s) and grade(s))
	curriculum for the 2022 - 2023 school year. I know that ected by choosing to opt out of this curriculum.
Name:	
Signature:	
Date:	

Program Scope and Sequence

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Grade	Faith Concepts	Virtues	Family Skills		
K	God created all kinds of families; Family members help one another; God gave each person a loving heart; God created each person with all kinds of feelings; God wants each person to grow and learn; God created all living things; God created boys and girls alike and different; A baby is a gift from God to the family; God gives us friends; Jesus teaches us how to help others	Sharing Bravery Caring Love Peacemaking	Showing love through helping and sharing; Expressing feelings in good ways; Learning to say "no" to strangers; Caring for a baby; Passing on kindness to others		
1	God wants people in a family to help each other; Families love and care for one another; God gives everyone a loving heart; God created everyone with feelings; God gave everyone five senses to help them learn; God wants everyone to take care of themselves; God helps everyone to love; Love grows when we share love with others; God wants us to care for one another; Love takes work	Helping Bravery Caring Sharing Peacemaking	Showing love through helping and sharing; Expressing feelings in good ways; Choosing to be safe; Showing love for others; Practicing forgiveness		
2	God is present with us in our family; The Ten Commandments are God's rules; God has given everyone gifts to share; God helps us as we grow; New life is a gift from God; God calls us to care for all living things; Sacraments are signs of love between God and us; Promises are a sign of love; God is with us in happy and sad times; God wants us to treat one another as friends	Obedience Bravery Caring Commitment Fairness	Choosing to follow good rules; Making good decisions: Following the Golden Rule; Making and keeping a promise; Showing how to be a friend		
3	God created man and woman to love one another as husband and wife; God's love is unlimited; God gives us the language of our feelings to help us communicate; God created us with the ability to think, imagine and choose; Living things are signs of God's love; God wants new life to be protected and kept safe; Part of God's plan for creation is that we need plants to live; God gave us free will to choose to care for creation; God wants us to always make good choices; God created us to help provide for one another	Loyalty; Forgiveness; Courage; Curiosity; Caring for God's creation: Stewardship; Self-control; Common Sense; Responsibility	Choosing to help the family; Celebrating important events with the family; Identifying our feelings; Making good choices; Caring for animals and plant life; Choosing healthy foods; Learning about endangered species; Making good choices; Problem solving		
4	God created us to live in communion with him and with one another; God's gift of free will; Jesus is fully divine and fully human; God gave us the gift of conscience to help us choose what is right; God created us with a unique body and a unique soul; All human life is sacred; Purity of heart comes from modesty and right judgment; The Great Commandment; Love of neighbor is inseparable from love for God; God calls us to proclaim the Gospel according to our vocation	Justice; Obedience; Fortitude; Confidence; Respect; Reverence; Patience; Self-control; Acceptance; Generosity	Helping others in my family; Following good rules; Acting on feelings appropriately; Following an action plan; Choosing to act in respectful ways; Building a culture of life; Developing good habits; Living the Works of Mercy; Practicing putting others first; Caring for the environment		
5	The family is an icon or image of the Church; Families become stronger when members respect one another; The Church helps us to know and live by the truth; Grace helps us to freely choose what is true, good and beautiful; Human life is sacred and is to be respected; Parents have the responsibility to care for their children; God created men and women equal in dignity and complementary in gender; Marriage is a sacred relationship between a man and a woman; The Church as the Body of Christ is strengthened through communal support; Society is to work for the common good	Hospitality; Respect; Honesty; Tenacity; Reverence; Respect; Chastity; Humility; Generosity; Stewardship	Celebrating family events; Describing emotions and to appropriately respond with them; Developing good listening skills; Practice keeping a journal; Caring for the gift of life; Respecting the body; Living qualities of friendship; Making loving choices; Helping your family according to individual gifts; Developing an action plan		
6	Unity within the Church; Compatibility of science and faith; Chastity respects the unity of the person; The Mission of the Church; Human life begins at conception with the right to life; Every human being is a person with dignity; Sacredness of the body; Christian understanding of death; Dignity of work and rights of workers; Common good	Reverence; Responsibility; Humility; Determination; Commitment; Respect; Modesty; Propriety; Stewardship; Ingenuity	Assessing and using personal gifts and traits; Creating an action plan; Using the imagination; Coping with change; Caring for new life; Rules for respect; Supporting parish ministries; Rules for fiscal responsibility; Living by the Golden Rule		
7	The Holy Spirit helps us to forgive; Using the gift of free will to say yes to God; Spiritual maturity means becoming like Jesus; Complementariness in genders; The human body is a temple of the Holy Spirit; Honoring the dignity of the person; Our loving relationships are to reflect the loving communion of the Trinity; Chastity is integrating our sexuality into life and love; God created us to share love; God created us to live in community	Compassion; Right Judgment; Resilience; Diligence; Wellness; Temperance; Prudence; Charity; Chastity; Conscientiousness; Solidarity	Conflict resolution; Dealing with peer pressure; Self-assessment of my attributes and attitudes; Keeping a health checklist; Making a prayer pledge; Developing an action plan; Responding to pressure; Discerning messages in the media; Developing and growing friendships		
8	God has placed in the human heart the natural desire for happiness; With an informed conscience and free will, we can choose to follow the right path to happiness; Each person is a unique individual created with a soul, an intellect and free will; The Theological Virtue of hope opens up a person's heart to desire and expect the happiness God promises; Each person has a fundamental dignity because everyone has been created in the image and likeness of God; Sin and moral evil are at the root of the many threats against human life; Human sexuality is primarily concerned with our capacity to love and form relationships based on being male or female; Married love is to be self-giving and life-giving; God created us as social beings; therefore, we need to experience a healthy sense of belonging; Life has meaning with a God-given purpose	Gratitude; Counsel; Confidence; Valor; Respect; Good judgment; Modesty; Fidelity; Vigilance; Responsibility	Developing communication skills; Making an examination of conscience; Keeping a journal; Managing emotions; Assessing personal attitudes; Practicing good healthy choices; Practicing skills for building respectful friendships; Witnessing Fruits of the Holy Spirit; Practicing social skills; Planning for the future		

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Catholic Family Album		Catechism of the Sacred Scripture			
		CCC 2201–2203, 2249, 2363 CCC 1763–1764, 1767–1769 CCC 1706, 2258–2283 CCC 2348–2350 CCC 2196–2557	Luke 9:10–17; Genesis 1:1–31; Luke 10:29–37		
		CCC 2201–2203, 2249, 2363 CCC 1763–1764, 1767–1769 CCC 1706, 2258–2283 CCC 1813, 2083–2195 CCC 2196–2557	Luke 2:39–40; Ecclesiastes 3:1–8; 2 Peter 3:17–18; Matthew 22:34–40;	I Corinthians 13: 1–13; Matthew 25: 34–40	
		CCC 2052–2082, 2201–2206 CCC 91–95, 152, 712, 1831 CCC 1706, 2258–2283 CCC 1641–1651, 1822, 2044 CCC 2196–2557	Matthew 1:21–25, 22:34–40, 28:16–30; Sirach 43:1–12; Matthew 7:12, 25:34–40; Luke 6:31–36;	Isaiah 26:4–13; Matthew 28:16–30	
St. Frances of Rome St. Teresa of Avila St. Thomas Aquinas St. Francis of Assisi Fr. Alphonsus Maria U	rbanowicz	CCC 2201–2203, 2249, 2363 CCC 1763–1769 CCC 2270–2275, 2322 CCC 1813, 1822, 1841 CCC 1906, 1912–1916, 1925–1926	Luke 6:31–36; Matthew 7:7–11, 9:35–38; Genesis 1:1—2:25; Matthew 6:25–34; Matthew 22:34–40; Ephesians 2:1–10		
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton; St. Benedict of Nursia; St. Philip Neri; St. Katharine Drexel; Pope John Paul II;	Joseph Cardinal Bernardin; St. Monica; St. Mary Bernard Bütler; Bl. Teresa of Calcutta; St. Francis of Assisi	CCC 144, 915, 1734–5,1897 CCC 1299, 1454, 1777–1778, 1808 CCC 1023, 1225, 1997 CCC 1809, 2533 CCC 871, 945, 1928, 1931	Genesis 1:24–31; Matthew 7:12; Acts 5:29–32; Matthew 19:24; Mark 1:35–45, 3:5; John 11:35;	James 1:16–17; Genesis 1:1—2:25; Psalms 139:13–14; Job 12:10–13; I Corinthians 3:16, 12:12–21; Proverbs 19:11;	Matthew 5:8, 25:34–40; Luke 13:6–9; Matthew 7:12, 22:37–39; Luke 10:29–37
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph; St. Eugene de Mazenod; St. Bernadine of Siena; St. Clare of Assisi;	St. Gianna Beretta Molla; St. Thomas More; St. Mary Magdalene; Bl. Louis of Thuringia; St. Catherine of Genoa; Bl. Vilmos Apor	CCC 1655–1658, 1666, 2204–2205, 2685, 2206 CCC 1996–2005, 2339 CCC 2221–2226, 2258–2283 CCC 1601, 1641, 2333, 2338, 2347, 2364 CCC 789–791, 1906, 1912, 1924–1925, 2237–2241	Psalm 55:2–3, 13–15, 17–18; Psalm 95; Luke 2:41–52; Genesis 1:9–31; Deuteronomy 30:11–20; Isaiah 49:14–18; Sirach 6:5–17; John 15:9–17;	Micah 6:3–8; Matthew 25:34–40	
Infant Jesus of Prague; St. Albert the Great; St. Hyacintha of Mariscotti; Ven. Matt Talbot; Project Gabriel;	St. Margaret of Antioch; St. Martin of Tours; St. Anthony of Padua; St. Bernadette of Lourdes; St. John Matha	CCC 159, 791, 815 CCC 2040, 2338 CCC 2270, 2378, 2392 CCC 1010–1023, 2521–2524 CCC 1905–1912, 2424–2436	Matthew 6:9–13; I Corinthians 10:13; 2 Timothy 4:6–8; I Samuel 1:1—2:21; Job 10:8; Jeremiah 1:5; Luke 1:46–54;	Psalm 6; Matthew 7:12; Luke 7:36–50; John 11:1–3, 17–44; I Corinthians 6:15–20; Ephesians 2:1–10;	Genesis 4:8–10; Matthew 7:12, 25:31–46; Luke 10:25–37
Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael; St. Hilary of Poitiers; St. Gertrude the Great; St. Paul of Tarsus; Catholic hospitals; Catholic Charities; Pope Benedict XVI;	St. Josemaria Escriva; The Samaritan Woman; Communion of Saints	CCC 2843 CCC 1308, 2333 CCC 2288–2294, 2519 CCC 221, 1022–1024, 1337, 1604, 2338, 2345 CCC 1829, 1972, 2342–2343	Psalm 128; Matthew 18:21–35; John 13:31–35; Genesis 1:26–28; Psalm 84:12; Wisdom 4:8–9; Hosea 5:14; Ephesians 5:21–33; Genesis 1:26–31;	Psalm 27:4–10; Matthew 4:1–11; Luke 22:39–46; Philippians 4:10–14; Ecclesiastes 3:1–15; John 15:1–17; I Corinthians 6:15–20, 13:1–13; I John 4:7–21;	Genesis 1:26–28, 2:18–20, 3:1–24; Proverbs 17:17, 18:24; Sirach 6:14–17, 9:10, 24:26; John 4:5–42, 15:1–17; Ephesians 4:17–32
St. Jude Thaddeus St. Anne St. Albert Chmielowsk St. Joan of Arc Cyber Bridges St. Maximilian Kolbe St. John of the Cross Bl. Zélie Martin St. John Bosco Bl. Hildegard von Bing		CCC 1718–1724, 1776–1794 CCC 356–368, 1817–1821 CCC 1700–1709, 2258, 2284–2291 CCC 1601, 1641, 2332 CCC 68, 1877–1880, 1939–1942	Psalm 34:5–11, 119:105–117, 146–169; Isaiah 11:1–9; Matthew 5:3–10; John 14:1–14; Isaiah 11:1–9; John 14–16; Matthew 4:1–17, 15:10–20; Song of Songs 8:6–7;	Mark 10:1–12; Romans 12:9–12; I Corinthians 13:1–13; John 13:34; James 1:27; I Peter 4:8; I John 2:10, 4:8	

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You are invited to partake in a "Grand Pasta Feed"

Spaghetti and Meatballs Salad ♦ Bread ♦ Dessert ♦ Beverage

The proceeds will be used towards ICF Scholarships @ St Rose, local High Schools, and Colleges.

> Saturday, May 20th, 2023 5:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. **Take Outs Available** (Starting at 4:30 P.M.)

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