



SAINT ROSE
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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 Thanksgiving

May an abundance of gratitude burst forth as you reflect upon what you have received.

May Thanksgiving overflow your heart and often be proclaimed in your prayer.

May you gather around the table of your heart the ardent faithfulness, kindness, and goodness of each person who is true to you.

May the harvest of your good actions bring forth plentiful fruit each day.

May you discover a cache of hidden wisdom among the people and events that have brought you distress and sorrow.

May your basket of blessings surprise you with its rich diversity of gifts and its growth opportunities.

May all that nourishes and resources your life bring you daily satisfaction and renewed hope.

May you slow your hurried pace of life so you can be aware of and enjoy what you too quickly take for granted.

May you always be open, willing, and ready to share your blessings with others.

May you never forget the Generous One who loves you lavishly and unconditionally.

Amen

Message From the Principal

As we enter into the second quarter of the 2021 - 2022 school year, there are so many events to be aware of on the horizon. Between November 1 and January 1, we have Parent/Teacher Conferences, Wine Country ½ Marathon and 5K, St. Rose Annual Golf Tournament, Santa's Workshop, Paso Robles Christmas Parade, a COVID adapted replacement for our Christmas Pageant, and all of the festivities that go along with the upcoming Holiday Season. As always, please be sure to refer to our [school calendar](#) for updates and information on these events.

I do realize, and wish there was more that I could do to address this, that there is the constant “elephant in the room” regarding a potential vaccine mandate for children to be able to attend in-person instruction in California. I hear you when you voice your concern or opinions for or against this possible mandate. During the “statewide protest”, many of you sent an email or phone call on Monday, October 18, during the “statewide protest”. As I stated before, I embrace our right to petition the government and be heard. As any updates do come on this subject, I will pass them along immediately.

I hope you all are looking forward to a great Holiday Season at St. Rose Catholic School! I hope that everyone’s children experienced a great first quarter of the 2021 - 2022 school year. I know that we are not quite back to “pre-COVID” ways, but we are much further ahead than we were at any point during the previous school year.

According to data received from our 2020 - 2021 Parent Satisfaction Survey, 127 of 128 respondents stated “Yes” to the question “Do you feel that the education received at St. Rose Catholic School is worth the tuition cost?”

New Items/Upcoming Events

Missing Clothing: Fall is officially here! The cooler mornings and warm afternoons always bring one thing with them to the school yard; jackets and sweatshirts left lying around. **Please be sure to write your child’s name inside of their jackets or sweatshirts.** They all look the same, and it is much easier to identify them if a name is located inside the item. There is a school “lost and found” rack outside of the school office for you to look for missing clothing items. Unfortunately, as of this writing, it is full, so please be sure to look in the box by the office doors for surplus clothing. Stop by and take a look!

Negranti Ice Cream Pie Fundraiser: Are you or your family interested in Holiday Ice Cream Pies for Thanksgiving? If so, **why not purchase those through Negranti Creamery AND raise money for St. Rose Catholic School at the same time. Negranti Creamery will donate 35% of their sales back to St. Rose Catholic School families if pies are ordered by November 15.** You can order at <https://www.negranticreamery.com/shop-negranti-pie-fundraiser> and be sure to select “Saint Rose” under the fundraiser drop-down box at check out. Don’t forget to order by November 15, **picking up between November 20 - 24** at Negranti Creamery 2989 Limestone Way, Paso Robles in Tin City.

Parent Service Hours: Mr. G. needs your help! I recently purchased six new very high-quality playground lunch tables. Unfortunately, they weigh roughly 250 pounds per table and need to be assembled. Mr. G. would love some service hour help in assembling these. If anyone is interested in helping Mr. G. with this project, please [click here](#) to sign up. **Our goal is to assemble them on Friday, November 5 between 12:30 - 3:00.** As you would not be working with children, there is no need to show proof of vaccination or negative test.

Water Bottles: I encourage you to send your children to school with a full water bottle. Due to COVID protocols, we have our water fountains off. If a child does run out of water, we have a touchless water bottle filling station that they may use. Quite a few students are coming to the office to ask for a cup of water, and we've been handing more and more out daily. Once again, I encourage you to send your child with water daily until we can resume using the drinking fountains.



A Fall tradition: St. Rose Catholic School students at the pumpkin patch!

Wine Country Run ½ Marathon and 5K: The run is just around the corner. **While it is too late to sign up as an adult participant, your children can still be signed up on this [google form](#).** Children will be able to run during P.E. class on **November 15 - 17**. Yes, there are some bragging rights and competition involved in this! Please see the information below:

- Each class will **run or walk the 5K** with their classmates **during PE class**.
- Everyone will get a **popsicle** at the end of the race.
- Each **class will have one first-place runner** who will be announced at Flag Pole the following week. The first place runner from each class will get a **prize and bragging rights**.
- The class with the most participants will get a pizza party, AND Mr Cooper will let them pick the games played at PE for an entire week.**

-As of Friday, October 29, here are the classes in the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for students signed up:

First place - 4th grade

Second place - 7th grade

Third place - Kinder

Stats:

Preschool 11/31 - 35%

Kinder 10/28 - 36%

1 - 5/28 18%

2 - 9/28 32%

3 - 7/26 27%

4 - 11/25 44%

5 - 7/23 30%

6 - 5/23 22%

7 - 5/12 42%

8 - 7/26 27%

According to data from our 2020 - 2021 Parent Satisfaction Survey, 130 out of 130 respondents answered "Yes" to the question "Would you recommend St. Rose Catholic School to Others?"

Old Items/Reminders

PTO General Meetings: What is the PTO, you might ask? How do I get involved with the PTO? These are questions I hear from time to time. 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 and 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 Irene Huggins (PTO President) at ihuggins@saintrosecatholicsschool.org or Jennifer Roden (PTO Vice President) at jnnfr5746@yahoo.com.**

Until the time feels right to have PTO General Meetings in person, we will be hosting them on Zoom at the following link:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3527193171?pwd=ZHZtY0ZCQXVjSTQ3cG1HOVMrZWlWQT09>

Meeting ID: 352 719 3171

Passcode: 8052380304

Our next PTO General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 16 @ 6:00.

Parent/Teacher Conferences: Parent/Teacher conferences for grades K - 8 are scheduled for the week of November 8, 2021. (Preschool conferences are held in a different format. You will receive communication from Ms. Chamberlain about these conferences in the future.) We traditionally hold conferences this week as all families will have received the First Quarter Report Cards, and all STAR Renaissance testing has been completed. While teachers share information with parents, this is also an excellent opportunity for parents to share information about their child with their teacher(s) to enable my staff to provide a learning program that best meets their children's needs.

The K - 8 conferences are scheduled to run on 11/8 from 1:00 - 3:30, 11/9 from 1:00 - 3:30 and 5:00 - 7:00, and 11/10 from 1:00 - 3:30. Conferences will be held in the Parish Hall,

and, assuming guidelines still require them, masks will be required. Conferences for K - 5 are different from grades 6 - 8.

- K - 5: Your children's teacher has sent out a signup form for a 15 - 20 minute time slot for you to meet with your child's teacher. Conferences will be one on one time that the teacher will be devoted strictly to you. **Elementary teachers will be positioned on the left-hand side of the Parish Hall when you walk in the doors.** Each teacher will have a table and chairs for your convenience.
- **6 - 8: Your children's teachers will be located on the right-hand side of the Parish Hall when you walk in the doors. Middle School conferences are an open forum, first, come/first served style of conference.** When you see your student's teacher available and not meeting with other parents, please feel free to walk over and begin conversing with them. We ask that you limit your time to 10 minutes per class. **We encourage your child to attend these conferences with you.**



Thank you to our Leadership class in their efforts to gather beanies, blankets, and socks to be donated to Jacks Helping Hand for needy families in our community.

November 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 [website](#).

November:

- 1 All Saints School Mass @ 8:30
- 2 All Souls Altar, PTO Board Meeting @ 8:15
- 5 Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal, Faculty Meeting @ 1:00, K - 5 World Beat Rhythms Assembly @ 9:30
- 7 Wine Country ½ Marathon and 5K 11/7 - 11/14, SRS Gold Tournament @ Hunter Ranch
- 8 Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal, Parent-Teacher Conferences 1:00 - 3:30, 1st Quarter Middle School Academic Awards @ 8:00
- 9 Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal, Parent-Teacher Conferences 1:00 - 3:30 and 5:00 - 7:00
- 10 Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal, Parent-Teacher Conferences 1:00 - 3:30
- 11 Veterans Day/No School
- 12 Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal
- 16 PTO General Meeting @ 6:00
- 17 Buck A Jeans Day
- 18 SAC Board Meeting @ 5:30
- 19 Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal, 8th Grade Free Dress, Thanksgiving School Mass @ 8:30
- 20 - 28 Thanksgiving Break



Thank you to Ms. Uribe and the Leadership class for leading our children in a schoolwide Rosary last Wednesday!

Did You Know

St. Rose Catholic School is up for re-accreditation in March of 2022. Technically, we were

up for our re-accreditation visit in March of 2021, but this, like many other items, was put on hold due to the COVID 19 pandemic. We are accredited by the Western Catholic Educational Association (WCEA). This process is completed by developing a self-study protocol incorporating the 14 criteria set and organized by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

We see this self-study as an internal way for us to look at, review, revise what we are doing and look at ways to improve the educational process for our students. The manual that we go by is called “Improving Student Learning for Catholic Schools”. This Friday, my staff and I will be looking into the identified areas as “areas of improvement” that we came up with during our self-study. We are looking forward to narrowing it down to three “critical growth” areas that we will focus on over the next few years and before our following accreditation process.

As previously mentioned, an accreditation team will be on campus in March 2022. They will be here for three days to review our process, our goals, how we met our previous goals, and, I’m confidently hopeful, re-accredit us for an additional six years.

Meet the Staff

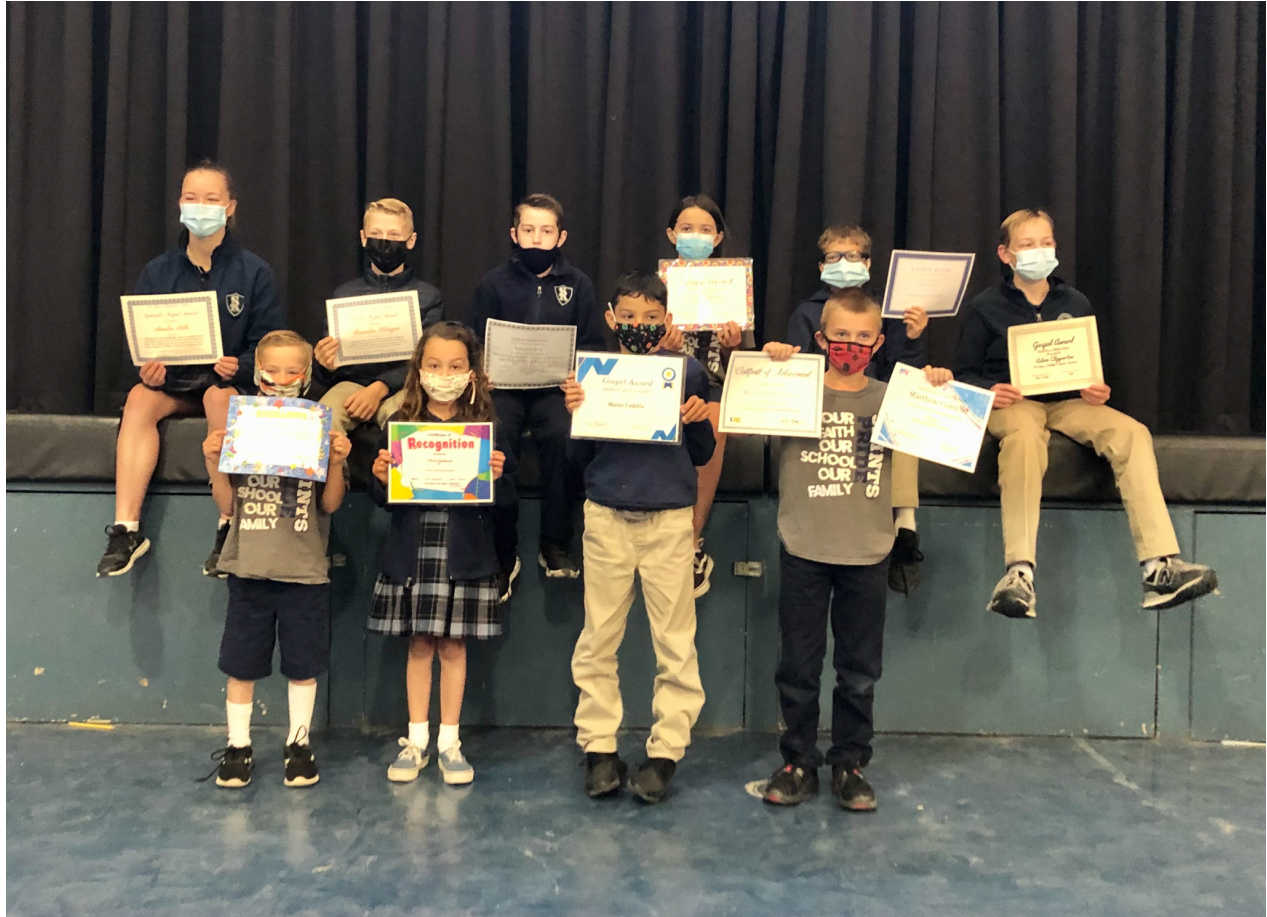
Our Leadership class has been putting together interviews with our staff so that the larger school community can “get to know” some of the teachers and staff that you or your children may not come in contact with on a regular basis. Please see the following write up from 8th grade student Kate Harrington about Ms. Sharon Davis:

This is Mrs. Davis, the 6th-8th Language Arts and Literature teacher. Mrs. Davis has been at St. Rose for 14 years. Throughout these years, Mrs. Davis has served both as a substitute and Language Arts and Literature teacher. Although Mrs. Davis doesn't enjoy grading essays, she loves teaching at St. Rose and being a part of each student's growth in writing and self expression. She does enjoy being able to tie Jesus and the Catholic faith into her lessons every day. Along with this, Mrs. Davis' favorite color is royal blue, and her favorite places to travel are Ireland, Australia, and Italy. Mrs. Davis enjoys hobbies such as ballroom dancing (she is a professional ballroom dancer), sewing, creating costumes, and gardening.



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

Trevor



Congratulations to our October Gospel Awards recipients!



HOLIDAY ICE CREAM PIE ORDER FORM

NAME:

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PICK UP DATES:

NOVEMBER 20TH - 24TH

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