



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 Lent

Almighty and Everlasting God,
You have given the human race
Jesus Christ our Savior as a model of humility.
He fulfilled Your Will by becoming Man
And giving His life on the Cross.
Help us to bear witness to You
By following His example of suffering
And make us worthy to share in His Resurrection.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son.

Amen

Message From the Principal

Open registration for the 2026–2027 school year begins today for families who are not currently attending St. Rose Catholic School. As I have been conducting interviews with prospective families, several common themes consistently emerge when I ask why they are interested in St. Rose. I've been paying close attention to these responses to better understand what drives families to enroll, and what likely keeps them here. Their answers generally fall into four main categories: **faith, Christian morals and family values, academics, and community.**

Many of you know that this is my 28th year at St. Rose Catholic School, and that while I am not Catholic, I am a non-denominational Christian. Interestingly, the very reasons families share for choosing St. Rose Catholic School are the same reason I have chosen to stay. I firmly believe that being able to openly discuss faith and Christian values is a cornerstone of a

well-rounded education. I also believe that recognizing education as a partnership between home, school, and community builds bridges, fosters unity, and strengthens a child's overall experience.

While we are not perfect, I am proud of the work we do. We strive not only to prepare our students academically for high school, but more importantly, to prepare them to be exceptional citizens, community leaders, and positive role models for others. Once again extend my heartfelt gratitude to the faculty and staff members who will be retiring at the end of this school year. You have been an integral part of providing a well-rounded, faith-filled education to so many students, both past and present. Your dedication to Catholic education has made a lasting impact and has not gone unnoticed. Thank you to Ms. Lori Chamberlain, Ms. Donna Felgenhauer, Ms. Melissa Edmunson, Ms. Sharon Davis, and Mr. Dan Davis. You will be missed, and generations of students are better because of your commitment, care, and service.

New Items/Upcoming Events

Rockin' with the Roses: Mark your calendars for the Second Annual *Rockin' with the Roses* concert! This year's event will be held on the school field on **Saturday, May 9**, beginning at **4:00 PM**. Proceeds from Rockin' with the Roses directly benefit the **St. Rose Catholic School P.E. and Athletics programs**, supporting opportunities for our students to grow physically, build teamwork, and develop school spirit. It promises to be a fun evening for our entire community, so be sure to save the date and watch for more details in the coming months.

Catholic Schools Week Food Drive: Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Catholic Schools Week Food Drive, led by our Middle School Leadership class. Your generosity made a meaningful difference right here in our local community. All donations were delivered to Loaves and Fishes, and we estimate that as a school we collected **more than 500 pounds of canned food items**, totaling **11 full boxes of food**. That is an incredible accomplishment and a true reflection of the compassionate spirit of our families. Thank you for opening your hearts to those in need within our Paso Robles community.



Pictured above are Mrs. Maria Sabi, Director of Loaves and Fishes, along with Piper Bonelli and Leo Torres from our Leadership Team.

Spring Parent / Teacher Conferences: Please be on the lookout for information coming home regarding our Spring Parent/Teacher Conferences, which will be held on March 26, 27, 30, and 31. Elementary teachers will be sending out sign-up links for their conference time slots. Middle school and specials teachers will meet with families on a first-come, first-served basis. As a reminder, these dates will be minimum days with a noon dismissal for students in grades K–8.

School Calendar: Please note that the school calendar is no longer visible on our website. Families can access the calendar through FACTS and link it directly to their personal digital calendars. If you have not yet done so, or if you need assistance syncing the calendar to your device, please reach out to Paula as soon as possible. She will be happy to assist you.

St. Patrick's Day Theme Dress – March 17: In celebration of Saint Patrick's Day, students may wear a green or St. Patrick's Day-themed top along with jeans or their regular school uniform bottoms on March 17. This has long been a fun tradition at St. Rose Catholic School, including the occasional visits and playful tricks from leprechauns in some of our lower grade classrooms.

Did you Know?

In following up on my Message from the Principal section talking about the “why” people choose St. Rose Catholic School, I wanted to share some data from the 2024 - 2025 Parent Feedback Survey. Some supportive data that follows the anecdotal data that I am seeing as to the “why” of faith, Christian morals and family values, academics, and community.

Faith / Christian Morals / Family Values:

- 98.96% of 96 respondents selected agree or strongly agree to the statement “Spiritual values are reinforced at St. Rose.”
- 100.00% of 96 respondents selected agree or strongly agree to the statement “Family values are reinforced at St. Rose.”
- 98.96% of 96 respondents selected agree or strongly agree to the statement “St. Rose helps my child(ren) develop an appropriate set of ethics and values.”

Academics:

- 96.97% of 99 respondents selected agree or strongly agree to the statement “St. Rose offers appropriate and challenging academic programs.”
- 98.00% of 100 respondents selected agree or strongly agree to the statement “St. Rose teachers engage my children daily in the education process.”
- 93.00% of 100 respondents selected agree or strongly agree to the statement “The academic programs meet my expectations.”

Community:

- 97.92% of 96 respondents selected agree or strongly agree to the statement “My child(ren) is happy at school.”
- 97.94% of 97 respondents selected agree or strongly agree to the statement “My child(ren) feels respected by his/her teachers.”
- 98.95% of 95 respondents selected agree or strongly agree to the statement “School administration and faculty foster a sense of community at St. Rose.”
- 97.89% of 95 respondents selected agree or strongly agree to the statement “I believe there are ample parent involvement opportunities at St. Rose.”

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! Please be on the lookout this spring for the 2025 - 2026 Parent Feedback Survey!

Trevor

LENTEN PARISH RETREAT

A Lenten Marathon: Grow Your Prayer Life

Saturday, March 7th

8:00am – 2:00pm

Saint Rose of Lima
Catholic Church

Speaker: Terry Burrows

(Associate Director of Catechetical Ministries, Diocese of Monterey)

Lunch Provided • Free

Registration: After Masses on Feb 28th and March 1st

More info: Parish Office