



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 a New School Year

Let us pray: O Lord, you mark the journey of life with change. Once again we witness your creation moving from one season to the other. Change is your instrument of growth that brings us to a deeper relationship with you. May your Word be the lantern that guides the roads of change in our lives.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Principal's Message

It has been wonderful hearing the children's voices on the playground and throughout the campus during these first two weeks of school. Familiar faces have returned and reconnected with friends, while new students have been welcomed and embraced by their classmates. I remain deeply grateful to the families who entrust my staff and me with their children's academic growth, social-emotional development, and safety.

My goal is to be at the front of the school during morning drop-off as often as possible. To help keep our children safe, I ask that all families use the two designated crosswalks in a parking lot. Building this habit early is an important life skill. Additionally, I encourage everyone—no matter how rushed we may feel—to drive slowly, remain aware of traffic flow, and stay attentive to your surroundings. Together, we can ensure a safe environment for all.

On the topic of safety, please remember that anyone wishing to volunteer on campus or with students must first be cleared (DOJ fingerprinting, TB negative test, Virtus training, etc.). Since fingerprinting, in particular, can take a couple of weeks, I encourage you to start the process as soon as possible. Too often, a parent wants to step in to help with a field trip or event on short notice, but without clearance, it isn't possible. If you plan to volunteer at all this year or during your child's education at St. Rose Catholic School, please see Paula at the front desk soon to get the process underway.

New Items/Upcoming Events

Key Cards / Gate Access: Please remember to carry your school gate card with you at all times. At times when you ring in, office staff may be assisting others, answering phones, tending to an injured student, or on their break. Carrying your card helps keep our campus secure and ensures smooth entry. If your family would like an additional gate card, you may purchase one at the office. We have also recently added **key fobs** that attach to your keychain for convenience. These are available in the office for **\$10 each**.

Back to School Night: St. Rose Catholic School will hold its annual **Back to School Night on Tuesday, September 2, 2025**. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents to:

- Visit classrooms
- Meet teachers
- Ask questions
- Gain insight into the upcoming school year

Schedule:

- **Preschool – 5th Grade:** 5:30 & 6:00 p.m.
(Teachers will give two identical presentations to accommodate families with multiple children.)
- **Middle School:** 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Please look for additional details from Ms. Uribe regarding the middle school schedule. Teachers will rotate between classrooms while parents remain in place, with the exception of electives.
- **Middle School Parent Orientation:** 7:30 – 8:15 p.m. (Parish Hall)
 - Recommended for parents of **6th grade students** or those **new to middle school**
 - Encouraged for parents of **7th and 8th grade students**

We look forward to seeing you there!

PTO: The St. Rose Catholic School Parent Teacher Organization is hosting a school wide Family **BINGO Night on Thursday, September 4 in the St. Rose Catholic School Parish Hall! The doors will open at 5:00 with go time on BINGO being 6:00.** Entry is free and guests can get **unlimited play at \$5.00 per person.** Food and beverages will be available for purchase via cash or Venmo. You can also reserve a table of 10, purchase single entry tickets or pre order food [**HERE**](#). Come out and enjoy a family friendly fun event!

Stampede to Race and Read: Be on the lookout for information coming home soon about our annual **Stampede to Race and Read!** We will kick things off with a **school-wide event on Thursday, August 28.** (Note: Students may get a little wet—only middle school students will change for this activity.) The main **Stampede event will be held on Friday, September 26.** This fun day gives Pre-K through 8th grade students the choice to run or read, all while helping raise money for St. Rose Catholic School. The run-and-read-a-thon will begin mid-morning and continue through the remainder of the day. Students may wear their **Stampede shirts** and **modest**

athletic bottoms. Last year's Stampede raised nearly **\$82,000** while bringing countless smiles and laughter to our students. This year, we look forward to building on that success! Parents, there will be plenty of opportunities to volunteer and get involved—information will be sent out shortly.

Centegix Emergency Response System Installation: As part of our commitment to student safety, we are preparing for the rollout of the [Centegix Emergency Response System](#) this fall. The installation team requires a large afternoon and evening window to complete the work. As a result, **school and all after-school programming (clubs, sports, tutoring, extended care, etc.) will end at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 10.** All students must be off campus by **2:15 p.m.** Thank you for marking your calendars and helping us ensure the installation process runs smoothly.

Extra Curricular Opportunities: Extra Curricular events are kicking off shortly and available to students in most grades. Please be on the lookout for information coming home for the following:

- Art Club: Two days / week available for grades 2 - 8. Teacher contact: [Ms. Ryther](#)
- Choir: One to three days / week available for grades 2 - 8. Teacher contact: [Ms. Knight](#)
- Drama Club: One day / week; grades and dates pending. Teacher contact: Greer Wilson (once club is ready to go her contact information will become available.)
- Girls Volleyball: Four days / week available for grades 6 - 8. Teacher contact: [Coach Kellie](#)
- Cross Country: Two to three days / week available for grades 3 - 8. Teacher contact: [Coach Kellie](#)
- Spirit and Service Club: One day / week available for grades 6 - 8. Teacher contact: [Ms. Glunz](#)

Did You Know?

You may have noticed that **STAR Testing** is on the calendar for mid-September. So, what is STAR Testing? Simply put, it is the standardized assessment tool used by many private and parochial schools to measure student proficiency and growth in **reading, math, and early literacy**. In the Diocese of Monterey, STAR assessments are administered **three times a year** (Fall, Winter, and Spring). They are **computer-adaptive and comprehensive**, meaning they adjust to each child's ability level while providing detailed insight into learning progress.

Parents will receive access to their child's results for:

- **Fall testing** → shared at Fall Conferences
- **Winter testing** → shared at Spring Conferences

This process allows teachers and parents to partner together in supporting each child's academic growth.

September Dates to Remember

At the end of each monthly newsletter (typically sent out during the first week of the month), you will always find a list of **upcoming dates to remember**. Please note that while I do my best to keep this section accurate, dates may occasionally change between the time of writing and the actual event. For the most **up-to-date information**, please refer to our school calendar, which can always be accessed on our [website](#).

September:

- 1: No School/Labor Day
- 2: Emergency Packets Due, Preschool - 5th Back to School Night @ 5:30, Middle School Back to School Night @ 6:30
- 3: PTO Board Meeting @ 8:00, School Mass @ 10:00, K - 8 Early Release @ 2:00
- 8 - 12: Week 1 STAR Assessments
- 8: Preschool - 4th Picture Day
- 9: Preschool, 5th - 8th Picture Day, PTO General Meeting @ 3:00
- 10: K - 8 Early Release, Preschool Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal, Centegix Install: All Student Programming Ends at 2:00
- 15 - 19: Week 2 STAR Assessments
- 17: K - 8 Early Release, Buck a Jeans Day
- 18: 8th Grade Free Dress, SAC Board Meeting @ 5:30
- 21: Catechetical Sunday Mass @ 10:00
- 22: No School/Diocesan Professional Development Day
- 23: Preschool - 8th Grade Picture Make Ups
- 24: K - 8 Early Release
- 26: Gospel Awards, Spirit/Stampede Shirts, Stampede to Race and Read Time TBA

Don't forget to follow St. Rose Catholic School on Instagram @strosecatholicschool for pictures, videos, and news about upcoming events!

Thank you
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Principal, St. Rose Catholic School



**THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 4**

PARISH HALL
SAINT ROSE SCHOOL

DOORS 5:00P
BINGO 6:00P-8:00P

BACK TO SCHOOL BINGO

BINGO AT SAINT ROSE IS BACK!

\$5 ENTRY FEE INCLUDES UNLIMITED GAME PLAY

FOOD & BEVERAGE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

SPONSORED BY THE PTO



**PURCHASE TICKETS
RESERVE A TABLE
PRE ORDER FOOD**



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