



May 21, 2021

Dear Wonderful Nazareth Parents,

“Diversity and unity: Saint Paul puts together two words that seem contradictory. He wants to tell us that the Holy Spirit is the one who brings together the many; and that the Church was born this way: we are all different, yet united by the same Holy Spirit.”

-His Holiness Pope Francis (May 31, 2020)

This Sunday the Catholic Church will celebrate “the birthday of the Church”, the Solemnity of Pentecost. It represents the day the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles, and they began to preach the Gospel, with 3,000 people converted and baptized that day. On that day Christ’s mission was completed, and the New Covenant began. May we all be united by the Holy Spirit as a family at Nazareth School.

I want to say a special thank you to this year’s 2020-2021 Student Council, especially for all of their hard work with creative ideas and their awesome effort to reimagine Nazareth traditions. I also would like to congratulate the newly elected 2021-2022 student council. Thank you for answering the call to give your time and talents to Nazareth.

It is with great excitement that I announce that Mrs. Ahna Johnson will be accepting the new role at Nazareth School, as our dedicated resource teacher. Her Master’s in Education, Certification as a Reading Recovery Teacher, Maine State Teaching Certificates in Elementary and Special Education, and her devotion to her students will make her a tremendous asset to Nazareth School providing support to all learners. We are now on the search for a new Kindergarten Teacher who will continue the great success emulated by Mrs. Johnson.

We are thrilled to also announce our new sixth grade teacher, Mrs. Bethanny McGuire. We are very blessed that her entire family will be joining the Nazareth community, including her son, Sean, in kindergarten and daughter, Maeve, in Sunflowers. Her phenomenal background includes both a Single Subject Teaching Credential in English and Social Science, plus years of experience in middle school. Her enthusiasm for learning and love for teaching, I know will be shared by all of her students.

As we reach the final days of the school year, I wanted to share with you that Nazareth School we will be able to come together, as an entire school, to celebrate Mass in St. Francis Chapel on the last day of school, June 9th at 8:30am.

PTG is hosting a family fun Movie Night at the Santee Drive-In on Thursday, June 10 at approximately 8:15pm. The tickets are only \$10 per adult, \$4 per child (5-12), and 4 years old and under are free. We have included a Save the Date flyer with all of the pertinent details. The movie rating and title will not be available until 2 weeks before showing, but we have been ensured it will be a family film. Please plan to come and enjoy a Nazareth Community event!

Thank you for partnering with Nazareth School as we follow all of the COVID-19 Guidance's set by San Diego County, the state of California and followed by the Diocese of San Diego. Although, mask mandates and other guidance may be changing on a federal level, there have been no school guidance changes. We are in close contact with all agencies, and will follow any updates to the guidance's.

God watch over our students,
God watch over our parents and families,
God watch over our teachers and staff!

God Bless,

Mrs. René Coons
Principal
Nazareth School