

# **SRM NEWS** 12.23.24









# Merry Christmas Crusaders!

I am beyond blessed to have experienced all that I have this past week. From the Christmas program that I can honestly say was spectacular and filled with the presence of God in all that our students showcased, Mass this morning and the excitement of everyone eagerly waiting for the final bell for the day. Thank you to the teachers and staff who made this event so very special and went off without a hitch. I also want to acknowledge all our teachers and students who embraced the "Living Rosary" that took place last night! It was exactly what I needed to prepare my heart for the celebration of our Lord's birthday! I hope this becomes one of our new traditions during the year! I also want to wish each of our families a blessed Christmas and a healthy, happy New Year! We have so much to be thankful for and it begins with our families, our benefactors and the staff of SRM! We will be off from December 23rd-January 10th and will return to school on January 13th. The office will be closed from December 23rd-January 3rd and will reopen on January 6th. Many blessings to all my students, staff, and families!

Merry Christmas,

Mrs. Hodges

# **DATES TO REMEMBER**

12/23	Christmas Break 12/23/24-1/10/25
1/13/25	School Resumes Colima Tickets Go Home
1/15	Fire Drill 9:15 a.m. Student of the Month Assembly, McHugh Hall 8:00 a.m.
1/16	Student Minimum Day, Dismissal 12:00 p.m.
1/17	Friday School Mass, St. Brigid Church @ 8:15 a.m.
1/20	Martin Luther King Jr. Day, No School
1/21	Intruder Drill 10:45 a.m. Parent Club Meeting Potluck, McHugh Hall @ 6:00 p.m.
1/23	Student Minimum Day, Dismissal 12:00 p.m.
1/24	Friday School Mass, St. Brigid Church @ 8:15 a.m.
1/26	Children's Mass, St. Brigid Church 10:00 a.m. Catholic Schools Week Begins
1/27	Community Visits
1/29	Pizza for A Cause – Pieology Pizza Fundraiser
1/30	National Day of Prayer Schoolwide Rosary, McHugh Hall, 10:45 a.m. Student Minimum Day, Dismissal 12:00 p.m.
1/31	Grandparents Day Friday School Mass, St. Brigid Church @ 8:15 a.m. Talent Show Student Minimum Day, Dismissal 12:00 p.m.
2/5	Student of the Month Assembly, McHugh Hall 8:00 a.m.
2/6	Student Minimum Day, Dismissal 12:00 p.m.
2/7	Friday School Mass, St. Brigid Church @ 8:15 a.m.

2/10	Star Testing 2-10-2/28 Colima Money and Unsold Tickets Due
2/11	Parent Club Meeting, McHugh Hall 6:00 p.m.
2/13	Fire Drill 10:45 a.m. Colima Drive-Through Dinner 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Student Minimum Day, Dismissal 12:00 p.m.
2/14	Valentine's Day End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Trimester Friday School Mass, St. Brigid Church @ 8:15 a.m.
2/16	No Children's Mass
2/17	President's Day, No School
2/20	Student Minimum Day, Dismissal 12:00 p.m.
2/21	Friday School Mass, St. Brigid Church @ 8:15 a.m.
2/27	End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Trimester Awards, McHugh Hall, 11:00 a.m. Student Minimum Day, Dismissal 12:00 p.m.
2/28	Friday School Mass, St. Brigid Church @ 8:15 a.m.



Our middle school students will be leading the mass and our Children's Mass Choir will be singing.

Please plan to join us at St. Brigid Church on the 24<sup>th</sup> to support our students.

Students may wear nice "Christmas" clothes!



Save the date! Join us for the January Parent Club potluck meeting. The potluck/meeting will

be held Wednesday, <u>January 21, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.</u> in McHugh Hall. Please bring a dish to share, and a drink for your family. Parent Club will provide the paper products.

Main Dish - Last Name A-M Side Dish - Last Name N-S Dessert - Last Name T-Z



The School Spelling Bee will be held during Catholic Schools Week, which is the last week of January. The winners will attend the county Spelling Bee, which is Tuesday 2/25/25 through Friday 2/28/25. If eager students want to start studying now, they can access sample lists here: https://www.kingscoe.org/Page/426

Save the Date - Catholic Schools Week is January 26 – 31, 2025 Friday, January 31st is Grandparents' Day.

The foggy season is here! If you are traveling in the fog to get to school, please use your discretion and drive when it is safe.



It's that time of year when it's chilly in the morning and warm in the afternoon. Now is a great time to purchase your SRM Uniform sweater.



For your convenience, here is a reminder about our cold weather uniform requirements.

# **OUTER WEAR**

School jackets are encouraged, not required. Jackets must be solid <u>blue or black</u>. Flannel shirts, or jackets with insignias or logos are not allowed. Scarves must be simple Christopher plaid, hunter green, white, black, or navy blue in color. Sweaters or official school sweatshirts may be worn in the classrooms.

# FRIDAY MASS AND SCHOOL LITURGIES UNIFORM

- All students are expected to be in their complete school uniform for Friday Mass and School Liturgies.
- Girls are to wear skorts and boys must wear long pants.
- SRM sweaters may be worn in cold weather. Sweatshirts **may not** be worn in the Church.

Please write your child's name on their sweaters, sweatshirts and jackets.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

St. Rose-McCarthy Catholic School, an educational ministry of St. Brigid's Parish, prepares students to live productive Catholic lives as members of the Church and society.

## **PHILOSOPHY**

St. Rose-McCarthy Catholic School is a Christ – centered community of faith, is dedicated to the education of children. With parents as primary educators, the faculty and staff facilitate the development of the whole child. In line with Church teaching and Gospel values, our school instills the expectation for each student to become a committed Catholic, concerned citizen, confident communicator, and competent problem solver. Our community of believers acts as the foundation for preparing students for life as members of Church, family, civic, economic, and global communities.

### SCHOOLWIDE LEARNING EXPECTATIONS

## Students at St. Rose-McCarthy Catholic School are:

## Committed Catholics who...

Join in Christ's compassion

Obey good values and morals

Yield a solid understanding of our Catholic Faith and traditions

#### Concerned Citizens who are...

Respectful in work and action Responsible for self and others Recognize and practice self-control

### Confident Communicators who...

Articulate through speaking and writing Attentively listen Actively use technology

## Competent Problem Solvers who...

Can organize effectively
Can identify and analyze information
Can apply and evaluate solutions

Enter to learn...Leave to serve!

# Every Thursday is Spirit Day! Students are encouraged to show school spirit by wearing a Crusader t-shirt.

SRM Crusader Shirts are available at Central Valley Print Solutions, located at 802 N. Douty St., Hanford

Call 587-5577 or email Janet Church at <u>janet@centralvalleyprintsolutions.com</u>

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