



# SRM NEWS

August 21, 2023



## CRUSADER COMMUNICATIONS

Welcome Back Crusaders! This has been a great two weeks of the 2023-2024 school year and as the new principal of St. Rose-McCarthy, I find myself reflecting on how very blessed I am to be a part of this beautiful community. To know that I have returned “home” to live out not only a personal dream, but also a professional dream, is more than I could have ever imagined. On behalf of the teachers and staff of SRM, I would like to welcome everyone to a new school year with blessings and a grateful heart.

I just want to take a small moment to state that I look forward to using my collective experiences as your new principal to ensure that we have a great year ahead. I promise to work hard and am committed to embracing the positive traditions and practices that are already in place at SRM. I am committed to always exploring new ways to meet the needs of all students and to more effectively communicate with parents and community members.

In closing, I look forward to a wonderful year ahead. My door is always open to you, and I sincerely welcome your input and support. I am excited about all we will accomplish together for our children and look forward to celebrating our collective success this school year! The Faculty, Staff and I are looking forward to a great year full of learning, growing as children of God, and success that we all can be proud of! With God as our compass and Christ as our guide, there is nothing we cannot overcome together.

Once again, welcome to everyone, I can't thank you enough for your continual support and commitment to our school.

God Bless,  
Mrs. Hodges

## From the VPs Desk

It has been a wonderful start to our school year at SRM. I feel that as teachers and students, we are finally hitting our stride as we find comfort in our daily routines. I am excited because there has been a special sort of electricity in our classrooms to start the new year. I would like to give a special thanks to all of our teachers and staff for all that they have done throughout the last few weeks to get our school ready for all of your students. Not to mention all of the outstanding work that has been done over the summer to help beautify the school grounds. Thank you to Christian Sanchez, Jake Robinson, Luis Santiago, and Sean O'Connor for their after-hours efforts with our striping and sealing of our kindergarten basketball courts.

Friday, we opened our sign-ups for our choir and I am excited for the start of choir practice which will be led by Mr. Andre Alves. He will be volunteering until we can find a permanent music/choir director. Athletics is now in full swing please see the email sent regarding practice and game time and dates.

Wednesday, we will have our first rally, celebrating The Feast of St. Rose. Other than that, it will be our first OFFICIAL week of instruction and I am excited about what this year has in store. Lastly a BIG thank you to all that attended our first Parents Club meeting of the year, the excitement and buzz gives us a lot of promise about our fundraising efforts this year.

Blessings,  
Mr. Ramos

- 8/23 Feast of St. Rose Rally @ 2:00 p.m.
- 8/24 Student Minimum Day, dismissal @ 12:00 p.m.
- 8/29 Picture Day @ 8:30 a.m., McHugh Hall (Students need to wear uniform)
- 8/30 Back to School Night, McHugh Hall @ 6:00 p.m.
- 9/1 Friday School Mass, St. Brigid Church @ 8:15 a.m.
- 9/4 Labor Day, No School
- 9/6 Student of the Month Assembly @ 8:00 a.m.
- 9/7 Intruder Drill with Sherriff David Robinson @ 8:20 a.m.  
Student Council Speeches, School Courtyard 9:00 a.m.
- 9/8 Friday School Mass, St. Brigid Church @ 8:15 a.m.
- 9/11 Patriot Day – Wear Red, White & Blue
- 9/14 Student Minimum Day, dismissal @ 12:00 p.m.
- 9/15 Fire Drill @ 10:00 a.m.
- 9/16 Friday School Mass, St. Brigid Church @ 8:15 a.m.
- 9/17 Sunday Children’s Mass @ 8:00 a.m.
- 9/21 Student Minimum Day, dismissal @ 12:00 p.m.
- 9/20 DeCampos Dinner Unsold Raffle Tickets & Money Due
- 9/22 DeCampos Dinner – No School
- 9/27 Parent Club Meeting, McHugh Hall @ 6:00 p.m.



Patriot Day is observed every Sept. 11 to mark the anniversary of the terrorist attacks against the United States. As we work for peace, forgiveness, and reconciliation, let us make this a time for hope in God's grace, in ourselves and in one another.

### Gathering Prayer

*O Lord God, our heavenly Father, regard, we pray, with your divine pity, the pains of all your children. As we remember the horrifying events of September 11, 2001, hold us in the shelter of your enduring love. Grant that the passion of our Lord and his infinite love may make fruitful for good the tribulations of the innocent, the sufferings of the rescuers and the sorrows of the bereaved. We ask this in the name of your son and our brother, who suffered and died for the sake of all people. Amen.*

### **Patriot Day – Spirit Day**

Students may wear Red, White and Blue on  
Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup>

# SAVE THE DATE

## An Oasis in the Valley

Our Annual DeCampos Dinner

September 22, 2023

St. Rose-McCarthy School

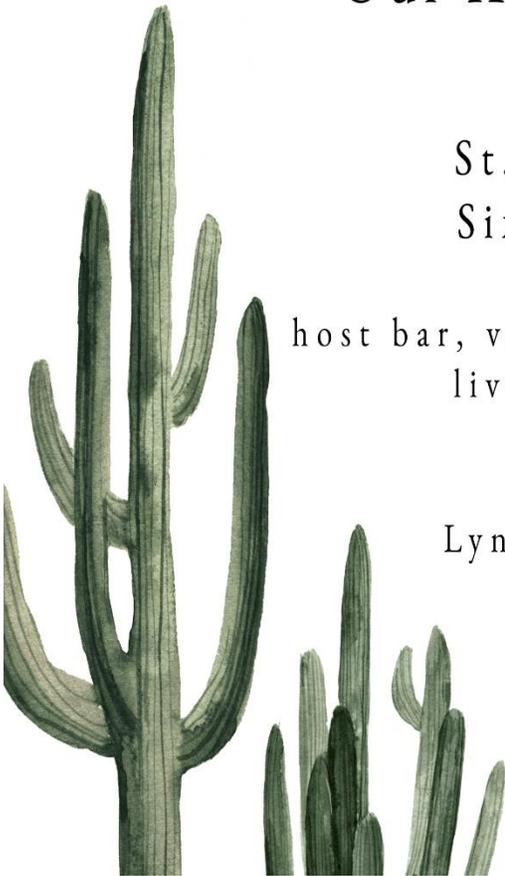
Six o'clock in the evening

host bar, valet parking, hors'deouvres, dinner,  
live & silent auction, dancing

Honoring

Lynette Duston & Maria Husak

Tickets \$150



Pick up tickets in the school office.



# DeCampos

## Raffle Ticket Contest

This year we are asking students to sell raffle tickets for our DeCampos Dinner. In addition to supporting St. Rose-McCarthy Catholic School, the students will have an opportunity to win some great prizes.

The raffle tickets are \$5.00 each in books of (5) tickets. Each student will receive 20 tickets to kick-off the contest (\$100). More tickets are available in the school office. Grand prizes are listed below.

**(Minimum tickets sales of 50 tickets (\$250) to qualify for  
“Top Sellers” Grand Prizes)**

**We are also offering another opportunity for all students to win a Baskin Robbins Gift Card. When you sell a book (5 tickets) you will receive a ticket for the gift card drawing. Every time you sell a book of tickets you will be entered into the drawing. (5) winning tickets will be pulled for the Gift Card Drawing.**

Please return all unsold tickets and sold ticket stubs along with money to the school office no later than Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. The winner will be announced at the DeCampos Dinner on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

**First Place: Meta Quest 2 VR (Oculus) \$300**  
**Second Place: Amazon Fire Tablet \$189**

**We Have a Winner!**



## **AUGUST CRUSADERS**

Chloe R. 8/7

Sarah R. 8/20

Ellie T. 8/22

Eli P. & Logan T. 8/23

**We wish you a wonderful day!**

## **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!***



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***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  
[janet@centralvalleyprintsolutions.com](mailto:janet@centralvalleyprintsolutions.com)

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### **FACEBOOK, TWITTER, & INSTAGRAM**

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