



Nazareth School

April 13, 2018

Dear Parents,

Yesterday morning, our community celebrated the arrival of the Easter season with a prayer service that resurrected the “Allelulia.” During Lent, we abstained from the use of the celebratory exclamation. So, it was with joyful enthusiasm and bells that we were able to announce its return to our faith community and to faith communities throughout the world. It was also a great way to celebrate our return to school and the beginning of the 4th Quarter. Thank you to our 7th Grade students and Mrs. Kinkead for leading us in this beautiful prayer service.

Next week, our 6th Graders will enjoy a special rite of passage. They are off to camp! Sixth Grade Camp has been a long-standing tradition for our students. It is a wonderful rite of adventure for them! It is a time for them to grow closer as a class community and hone their leadership and communication skills. Many students look back at 6th Grade Camp as one of their favorite school experiences. We wish the 6th Graders and Mr. Maffini a great week!

Another class that will be pursuing a Nazareth School field trip tradition is the 4th Grade as they participate in Gold Rush Days at Indian Hills. Mrs. Burdine and her students will be exploring the cultural and economic adventures of the early Californians in “them thar hills.” We are looking forward to hearing about their experience.

As our 8th Graders continue making plans for their coming high school experience, we congratulate those who have been accepted to St. Augustine High School and Cathedral Catholic High School. Receiving acceptance letters from Saints are Michael Butcher, Aidan McDowell, John McShefferty, Mitchell Prentice, Teddy Pierce. Kyle Burton, Sophia Kisir, Ethan Prentice, Bella Tirado have been invited to be members of CCHS’s Class of 2022.

As part of our continuing efforts to maintain a safe environment and campus, you will be noticing a few additional security measures in the near future. Additional cameras have been installed at the St. Joseph Building and a monitor revealing those images in real time will be installed in the main office. New private property signs will be posted to inform the public and to support the staff and law enforcement in our efforts to safeguard the area from trespassers. On Monday, Mrs. Lacey and I completed a walk-through of the campus with a police officer from the Mass Threat Unit. We received many affirmations regarding our security measures. Sixth grade was asked to demonstrate their response to a lockdown and the officer was impressed with their disciplined reaction. We will review with the staff at our Faculty meeting today the suggestions that were made during the inspection. That information has also been shared with the Regional Board of Directors.

As the Easter season continues, all of us at Nazareth wish you and your family the blessings of this special time in our Church year.

Blessings,

Dr. Colleen Mauricio, Principal