

April 29, 2022

Core Value for April: Patience

Blessed are the gentle for they shall possess the earth. Matt. 5:5

Nazareth School Mission Statement:

Nazareth School, "A school with a Mission," develops faith-filled learners who are guided by the Core Values of the Sisters of Nazareth, providing academic excellence rooted in Catholic tradition.

Dear Wonderful Nazareth Families,

May the Easter Season shower blessing upon Nazareth School and our entire community. "Easter Sunday is a dazzling diamond that radiates the splendor of Redemption and Resurrection into the hearts of the faithful everywhere. Its various facets cast the brilliance of eternity over the twilight of time, and enrapture the soul with the deathless pledge of a Second Spring. The keener are the eyes of faith, the more penetrating is the vision of personal immortality behind the veil of death: When Christ rose, death itself died." – Author: Francis Weiser

We are very excited for our second graders as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Saturday, April 30 at 9am, in St. Francis Chapel. Mr. Hillila has prepared all the students to receive our Lord Jesus Christ. As a community, please continue to pray for them as they take this monumental next step in their Catholic faith journey. Thank you to the Sisters of Nazareth, Msgr. Mark Campbell, Fr. Bill Springer, Fr. Raymond Philip Napuli, and Mr. and Mrs. Horning, for making it a beautiful celebration of their faith. A special thank you goes out to the first grade for bringing back the tradition of hosting the reception. May God watch over second grade and bless them!

**Mark your calendar:** This Monday, May 2, 2022, Nazareth School is hosting a family Antibullying seminar in St. Francis Chapel at 6:00 pm. As part of our ongoing commitment to fostering an environment of inclusivity and empathy, we are bringing in author and veteran antibullying expert, Jodee Blanco, to implement a comprehensive program to students, teachers, staff, and parents.

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She will be speaking to kindergarten through eighth grade during the school day, participating in a staff in-service in the afternoon and then presenting to our entire community that evening. We

invite all parents with their children to come to see her. We will have our school counselor, Mrs. Mossuto, available to students all day.

The program entitled INJJA (It's NOT Just Joking Around!), includes live age-appropriate student presentations with an SEL-based follow-up curriculum, professional development and training for staff, and a parent/family seminar. Blanco, herself a survivor of school bullying, is the author of the seminal *New York Times* bestseller *Please Stop Laughing at Me...*, that established her as the first voice of the antibullying movement. Since the book's release nearly two decades ago, she has been traveling the nation's schools delivering her message of hope and resiliency to thousands of people.



Blanco focuses on the human element of bullying, incorporating the matrix of students, educators and parents into each aspect of her program, and offers a realistic, practical plan of action for achieving sustainable change. "I'm honored to be working with Nazareth School and deeply inspired by their dedication to the well-being of every student. I cherish their trust and will work hard to exceed expectations," says Blanco. One of education's most trusted experts, she has presented to thousands of students, teachers and parents. Administrators turn to her regularly for professional development and to implement her anti-bullying program in their schools.



Do you have your costume yet? Are you an 80's fan? If so, this is the night for you!!! Don't miss out on the fun at Nazareth Night dinner and auction will take place on Friday, May 13, 2022 in the Mission de Alcala courtyard! Please submit RSVP by email to: NazarethRSVP@gmail.com. Please mark your calendars and prepare your attire. The theme is I LOVE THE 80s! I hope to see Madonna, Marty McFly and Cindi Lauper there!

Last night, the Nazareth community had a blast at the PTG hosted Family Pizza and Bingo Night Thank you to parents and students who participated, **students who came to the event may wear Spirit Dress on Tuesday, May 3, 2022.** It was an awesome evening filled with prizes, laughter and fun. Thank you to the planning committee chairs, Mrs. Hulse and Mrs. Sipper, and their hardworking team, Mrs. Flannery, Mr. Lovette-Colyer, Mr. Meza, and Mrs. Poulin for their time, effort and creativities to make the evening a success. An extra thank you goes out to Mrs. Flannery, Mrs. Hulse, Mr. Meza, and Mrs. Poulin for their tremendous donations of prizes.

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All of our students are working on fun songs to share with their Grandparent's on Friday, May 6, 2022. We welcome all grandparents to attend Mass in St. Francis Chapel at 8:30am, followed by a breakfast treat and then fun half-day in the classroom and class performance by the students in the auditorium with dismissal at 11:55am.

We will be celebrating the beautiful Nazareth School tradition of Mary's Day on Friday, May 27. Please join us in honoring Mother Mary, as the 8<sup>th</sup> grade crowns her in the Grotto following Mass. The entire school will process over to the Grotto to sing and celebrate the Queen of Angles and all her Glory.

Applications are being accepted for Nazareth School Tuition Assistance for the 2021-22 school year, please note that the deadline to apply is tomorrow, Saturday, April 30, 2022. Nazareth School has created an account at FACTS Grant & Aid for Tuition Assistance, this is a financial needs-based program. Please go to the Nazareth School website at nazarethschool.org to log into your account. You may apply online at the link below.

If your child has any COVID-19 symptoms please keep them home and notify Nazareth School at office@nazarethschool.org immediately.

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

God Bless,

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