



December 1, 2023

Core Value for December: Love *Let your love for each be real and from the heart.*
1 Peter 1:22

Dear Wonderful Nazareth Families,

Among God's greatest gifts of love to us is that of His Son whose life teaches us how to love one another and whose death and resurrection provides us with God's promise of eternal life. At Nazareth School, December gives us the opportunity to practice that love as we prepare for the birth of Jesus. Christmas time at Nazareth School allow us to share love with our community and with those in need. Our morning assembly prayers and our classroom activities help us to share our love for one another in prayer and action. In living the "Nazareth Way," we practice the message of God's love by reaching out to others with unselfish concern as we promote their growth and wellbeing.

We begin this Advent Season on Sunday, December 3rd with the lighting of the purple candle on the Advent Wreath. Advent is a time to prepare the way for the birth of Jesus. The first candle symbolizes the hope and anticipation we have in the birth of our Savior.



Turkey Trot

Thank you to every Nazareth family for your tremendous support of this year's fabulous Turkey Trot. A special thanks goes to Mrs. Conway and her committee of volunteers, Anney Hall, Cassie Kent, Christina Machado, Laura Gingras, Jessica Harris, Melissa Caguimbaga, Jen Verdon, Jenn Budenz, Liz Barry, Marisa Meyers Judey Petix, Aaron Linkin, Elizabeth Rains, and Erin Lovette-Colyer for making Turkey Trot a fabulously successful fundraiser. A special shout out to Eleanor Hall for being the Turkey in Training this year and Michael Koppi for going the extra mile. Please join us on December 7th for our final Turkey Trot Assembly.

Upcoming Liturgies

We wanted to extend our great appreciation to 6th grade for their participation in this week's Mass. The theme of "Give All Glory and Praise to God" enables us to ready our hearts and mind in anticipation of Advent and His coming. To help our Nazareth School students prepare for the coming of the Lord, we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Monday, December 4th at 8:30 am for grades 3, 4, and 5, and on Tuesday, December 5th at 8:30 am for grades 6, 7, and 8.

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Next Thursday, December 8, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Nazareth School will be attending Mass at 8:30am, in St. Francis Chapel, led by the 5th grade. On Monday, December 12, Fourth grade will lead Nazareth School for a Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Service at 8:15am in the auditorium.

On Wednesday, December 13 at our regular assembly, Student Council will lead us in our annual Christmas Tree Lighting Prayer Service. The whole school will come together and place the unwrapped toy they brough for our Toys for Tots drive. The Marine Corps Reserve mission is "... to provide toys, books, and other gifts to children in need at Christmastime – and beyond! This way we'll be able to bring the joy of Christmas and send a message of hope to children in need throughout the year." Join us in making a lasting impact in the lives of children. Then at 10:45am, the Preschool Posada will be knocking at our Nazareth School doors. Las Posadas commemorates the journey that Joseph and Mary made from Nazareth to Bethlehem in search of a safe refuge where Mary could give birth to the baby Jesus.

On Friday, December 15, third grade will participate in the liturgy Mass at 8:30am. Lastly, we will be celebrating Mass on Wednesday, December 20th at 8:30am for the O' Antiphons. We welcome everyone to participate in the many liturgies being offered this month.

Christmas Program

Our campus is alive with the with joy of song as our students prepare for the annual Nazareth Christmas Program. The kindergarteners through 8th grader program will be on Tuesday, December 19th at 6:30pm, with a special performance by our English Bells Choir at 6:00pm. Then we will have an encore performance on Wednesday, December 20th at 11:00am. Preschool Sunflowers and Buzzy Bees Christmas Program will be on Wednesday, December 20th at 9:30am in the auditorium.

Thank you to all of the families who have already placed their Scrip order for the Christmas season. Make sure to place your special scrip orders by 9:00am by Tuesday, December 12th, to ensure delivery for Christmas. We will be selling scrip in the office from 8 am to 3:30pm, until Christmas break.

Please contact the Nazareth School office 619-641-7987 or office@nazarethschool.org, if your child is experiencing any sickness. Students may return to Nazareth School, after 24 hours, symptoms resolving, no fever and no use of medication. Take a moment to read the Nazareth News for all of the upcoming events and important Nazareth School information.

God Bless,

Mrs. René Coons
Principal
Nazareth School

Holy Family of Nazareth
Watch over us and protect us.

Our Mission: 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.

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