



Happy October, Families!

O God of Creation,
you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons.

As we embrace these autumn months,

May the earlier setting of the sun

Remind us to take time to rest.

May the crunch of the leaves beneath our feet

Remind us of the brevity of this earthly life.

May the steam of our breath in the cool air

Remind us that it is you who give us
your breath of life.

May the migration of birds

Remind us that you call us to follow your will.

We praise you for your goodness forever and ever.

Amen

October is the month of the Rosary. I pray that you find time this month to intentionally use this tool to meditate upon the mysteries, and even use Hallow as a guide!

Please keep our DC student and travelers in your thoughts and prayers as we head back East next week. Please note I will have limited email access as we travel. Any immediate concerns should be directed to your student's teacher.

From the Office

Thank you families for following our "absent" policy. Please note, moving forward, we invite you to send **one** email for multiple students with all teachers, Mrs. Ramirez & Mrs. Rothstein included.



5th Grade Classroom
St. Francis of Assisi

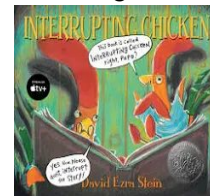
St. Francis of Assisi was an Italian [friar](#) who lived in Italy in the 13th century. He lived a life of ascetic poverty and was dedicated to Christian charity. St. Francis is one of the most venerated religious figures in Roman Catholic history. He founded the Franciscan orders, including the Poor Clares and the lay Third Order. He and St. Catherine of Siena are the patron saints of Italy, and he is also the patron saint of ecology and of animals. 10/4

Save the Date!

- 10/1 Parent Teacher Conferences
CYO Basketball Signups
Cupcakes for Life
- 10/2 Church Mass/Awards
Teacher Conferences
Noon Dismissal
Blessing of the Animals
- 10/13 Live Rosary
- 10/14 Noon Dismiss/Kona Ice
- 10/17 Oktoberfest
- 10/23 Free Dress 4 a Cause
- 10/27 Make up Picture Day
- 10/30 Trunk or Treat / Rally/Parade

Virtue of the Month:

Docility: Willingness to be taught



SPIRIT

**I
Imaginative,
enthusiastic & creative.**



Parent Association News

Thank you to the Nicolau Family for organizing a successful Linguica Dinner fundraiser!

It's time for our 24th Annual [Oktoberfest](#)! Join us for fun and prizes on October 17th!

Please Save the Date for our greatest fundraiser of the year! [BASH](#) will be Friday, November 13th, 2026.

Grown-up Corner

As we prepare for conferences this week, please take a moment to [read](#) about way to engage your student in conferences.

CYO Information from Mr. Lopez

Cross country heads into meet #3 this weekend. Boy's basketball interest form was sent earlier this month and can be filled out until Tuesday September 29th.

From our Church & Diocese

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH
BMA

Spaghetti & BINGO FUNDRAISER
RECAUDACIÓN DE FONDOS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24TH
LOPES CENTER
505 M St.
Patterson, CA 95363

SÁBADO, 24 DE OCTUBRE
CENTRO LOPES
505 M St.
Patterson, CA 95363

GRAB & GO MEALS + REFRESHMENTS \$25
PICK UP: 4:00 – 5:30 PM

COMIDA PARA LLEVAR + REFRESCOS \$25
Recojer: 4:00 – 5:30 PM

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 PM
PUERTAS ABREN A LAS 5:00 PM

DINNER SERVED 5:30 – 6:30 PM
CENA SERVIDA 5:30 – 6:30 PM

BINGO AT 6:45 PM
BINGO A LAS 6:45 PM

\$40 TICKET (Pre-Sale)

\$50 AT THE DOOR (Pay at the Door)

\$25 ONLY BINGO (Pay at the Door)
SOLO BINGO (Pagar en la Puerta)

14 GAMES PLUS 2 LOTERIA GAMES
14 JUEGOS MÁS 2 JUEGOS DE LOTERÍA

*Good Food Great Company
A Stronger Community*

*Buena Comida Buena Compañía
Una Comunidad Más Fuerte*

505 M St. • Patterson, CA 95363

Parent Association (PA)

PA President: Elisa Barrera

Vice President: Heidi Costa

Treasurer: Val Garner

Secretary: Maria Sapone

Spanish Liaison: Dana Sandoval

Preschool Liaison: Maria Martinez

Meetings are held once a trimester.

SACRED HEART SPARTANS - PATTERSON, CALIFORNIA -
SIDELINE STORE



SHCS Mission

Rooted in the Vincentian spirit, the Sacred Heart Catholic School community, partners with its families to provide strong academic, spiritual, and moral foundations. Nurtured in a safe and caring environment, all are called to be faithful stewards leading with a heart of service and charity.

School Advisory Board (SAB)

Ali Wright Joel Maring
Heston Nunes
Rebecca Bays Tricia Kaiser

2026-2027 Meetings

September 9 3:30 PM

November 18 3 PM

January 13 3:30 PM

March 17 3 PM

June 1 9-11 AM

Previous Meeting [Minutes](#).



It is our vision as Daughters of Charity Schools that our students become people of service who see the face of God in everyone, committed to living their Vincentian Catholic values.

Holistic
Integrated
Creative
Flexible
Excellent
Person Oriented
Collaborative
Focused

**Sacred Heart
Catholic School**

WE ARE

Stewards of God's Earth

People of Prayer and Service

Imaginative, Enthusiastic & Creative

Respectful, Loving & Kind

Involved, Inquisitive Learners

Traveling the Path of Jesus

Resources

Westside Food Pantry 40 South 5th Street Patterson, California [CA Support for Working Families](#)
[New Beginnings: Child, Family, Adolescent, & Family](#)

Sacred Heart Catholic School



Blessing of the Animals

In celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

Date: 10/2/2026

Time: 11:45 PM

All animals are welcome but must be leashed or crated. Please bring clean up baggies if necessary.

October is the month of the Rosary.

**Begin with the Sign of
the Cross.**

*In the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the
Holy Spirit. Amen.*

**Holding the crucifix, pray
the Apostles' Creed**

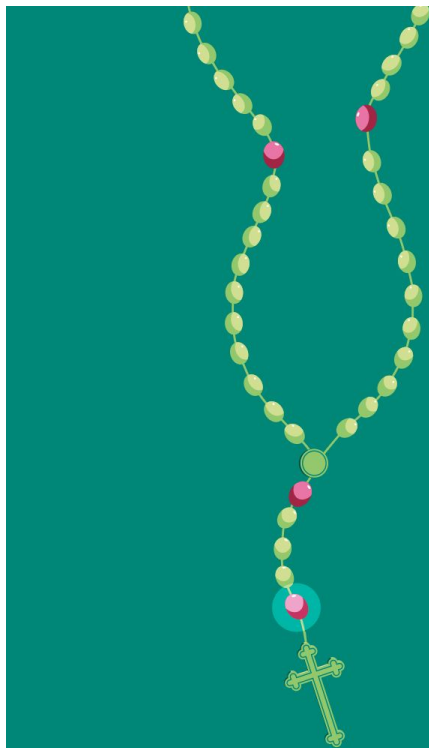


APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth, and in
Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under
Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and
was buried; He descended into hell; on
the third day He rose again from the
dead; He ascended into heaven, and is
seated at the right hand of God the
Father almighty; from there He will
come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy
catholic Church, the communion of
saints, the forgiveness of sins, the
resurrection of the body, and life
everlasting. Amen.

On the first bead, pray an Our Father

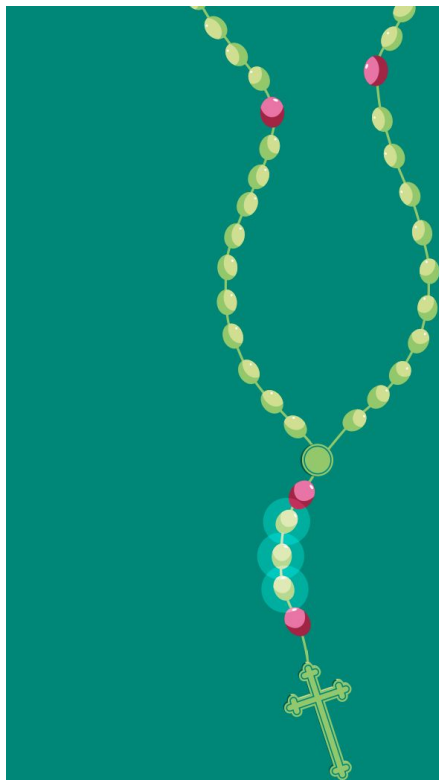


OUR FATHER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom
come; thy will be done on earth as
it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we
forgive those who trespass against
us; and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

On each of the next three beads,
pray a Hail Mary



HAIL MARY

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

On the next bead, pray a Glory Be.



GLORY BE

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Pray the first decade.

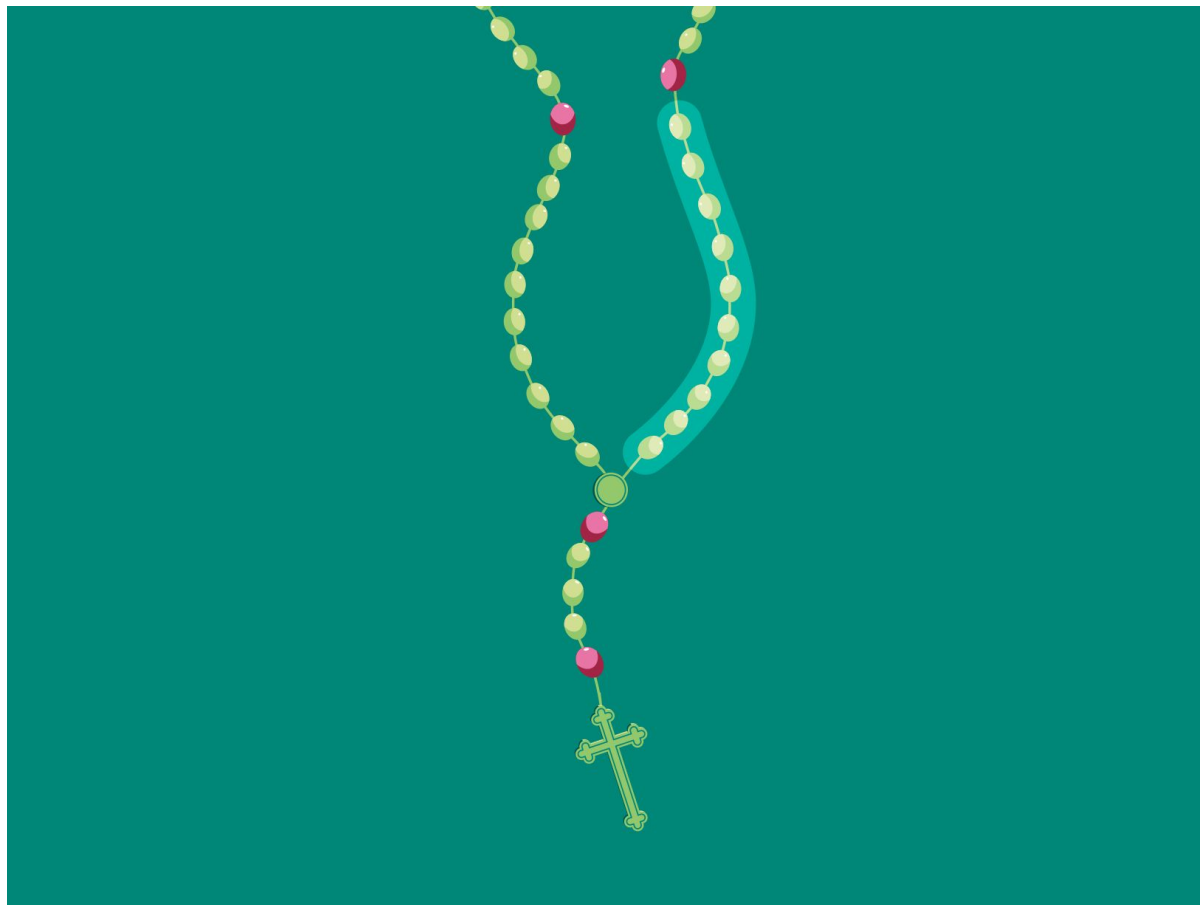
On the large bead, announce the mystery and then say an Our Father.

On each of the 10 small beads, say a Hail Mary while continuing to meditate on the mystery.

At the end of the decade, say the Glory Be.

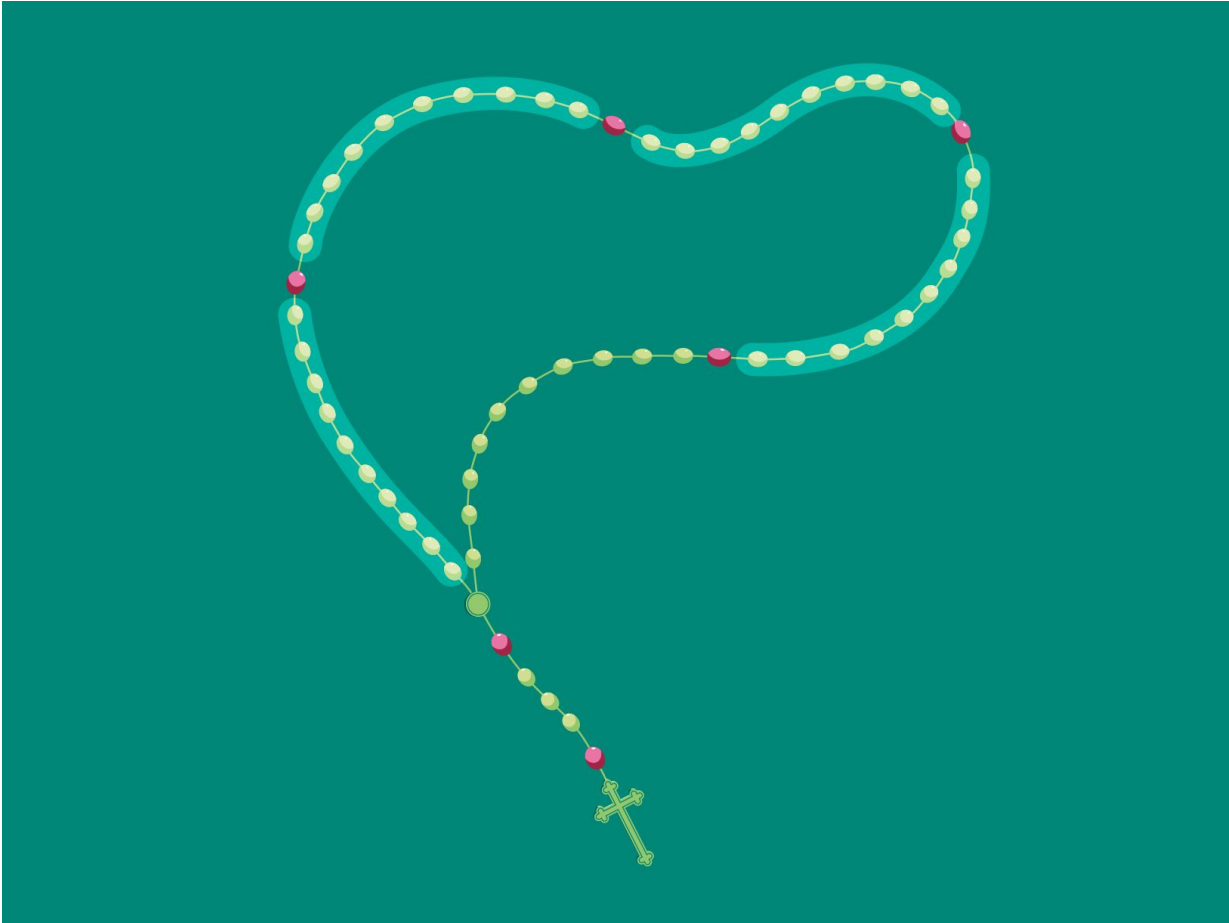
Then say the **Fatima Prayer**:

*O my Jesus, forgive us our sins,
save us from the fires of hell; lead all
souls to Heaven, especially those
who have most need of your mercy.
Amen*



Repeat this pattern for the remaining decades.

*Our Father -> 10 Hail Marys -> Glory
Be -> O my Jesus (Fatima Prayer)*



After the 5 decades, conclude with the Hail Holy Queen prayer.

Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To you we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to you we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.

Turn, then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us; and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ

Close with the concluding prayer.

Let us pray:

O God, whose Only Begotten Son, by His Life, Death, and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech thee, that while meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

GUADALUPE JUBILEE YEAR



50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NEW
BASILICA OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Oct 12, 2026 - Oct 12, 2027



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL

24th ANNUAL

OKTOBERFEST

OKTOBER 17th
6.00 PM - 9.00 PM

505 M STREET
PATTERSON, CA

- Unlimited Beer, Wine & Seltzers
- Keg Roll Championship
- Door Prize
- Live DJ
- Raffle Baskets
- Oktoberfest Bites



TICKETS AVAILABLE AT
SACRED HEART SCHOOL
PRESALE \$45
AT THE DOOR \$50

21+ ONLY

*CLASSIC JELLO SHOTS &
OTHER UPGRADES WILL BE
AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

A detailed illustration of a traditional German beer mug filled with golden beer and topped with a thick layer of white foam. A single salted pretzel and a single wheat stalk are placed next to the mug.

1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35
36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45
46	47	48	49	50

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**SPLIT
THE
PINT**

**\$20
TICKETS**

**WIN
\$500**

OKTOBERFEST



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S OKTOBERFEST 2026

OKTOBER 17, 2026 | 6:00PM TO 9:00PM



Sacred Heart Catholic School is excited to celebrate our 24th Annual Oktoberfest!

This longstanding tradition brings our community together for an evening of fun while supporting the students and mission of Sacred Heart Catholic School. Guests will enjoy unlimited beer, wine and seltzers, Oktoberfest bites, a live DJ, our Keg Roll Championship, door prize, raffle baskets and more!

We invite our school families, local businesses and community members to help make this year's Oktoberfest a success. There are several ways to participate, including purchasing tickets or a reserved table package, hosting one of our featured Oktoberfest activities, or making a donation.

Event Tickets

Presale: \$45 per person

At the Door: \$50 per person
21+ only

Presale tickets are available Monday through Friday at the Sacred Heart School Office. 10% fundraising credit will be awarded for each package or hosting opportunity secured, as well as tickets purchased. Thank you for your continued support of Sacred Heart Catholic School.

Your generosity helps us further our mission of educating and enriching our students in mind, body and soul while following the path of Jesus.

Many Thanks,
The Oktoberfest Committee:
Jennifer Gerety, Jenna Goubert & Julie
Lara

"Seeds Sown in Good Soil Grow; Grow with Us."



OKTOBERFEST 2026

PURCHASE A PACKAGE

Pub Table Package \$400: Sponsor recognition at Oktoberfest, 4 tickets, a reserved pub table & 4 commemorative glass beer mugs.

Biergarten Table Package \$600: Sponsor recognition at Oktoberfest, 8 tickets, a reserved sit-down table with snacks & 8 commemorative glass beer mugs.

HOST OPPORTUNITIES

Biergarten Tasting Table \$200: Host one of our featured tasting tables.

Giant Pretzel Wall \$150: Host our Giant Pretzel wall for guests to enjoy.

Keg Roll Championship \$150: Host the Oktoberfest Keg Roll Championship.

Door Prize \$150: Host the Oktoberfest Door Prize.

Principal's Keg \$150: Host the Annual Principal's Keg & Oktoberfest Kickoff

CLAIMED!

INDIVIDUAL TICKETS

PRESALE \$45
AT THE DOOR \$50

*10% fundraising credit will be awarded
for each package or hosting opportunity
secured.

*10% fundraising credit per ticket sold



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Halloween Costume Guidelines

To help ensure a safe, respectful, and fun celebration, please follow these guidelines when selecting your child's costume:

1. Faith-Respectful

- Costumes should not make light of religious figures, saints, clergy, or sacred symbols.
- Families are welcome to celebrate with saint costumes, positive role models, or creative, fun themes.

2. Safety First

- No weapons (real or pretend), sharp objects, or dangerous props.
- Costumes must allow for safe movement around campus (no excessively long hems or oversized parts).
- Masks may be worn for the parade only, not during the school day.

3. Modesty & Comfort

- Costumes must follow dress code standards: modest, age-appropriate, and not too tight or revealing.
- Students should wear comfortable shoes suitable for walking and recess.

4. Practical Reminders

- Students should be able to manage their costumes independently (bathroom breaks, lunch, recess).
- Please label costume pieces to avoid loss.
- If a student chooses not to wear a costume, they may dress in festive orange and black.

5. Positive Spirit

- Costumes should promote fun, creativity, and community—not fear or division.
- Characters from literature, history, saints, animals, or imaginative creations are encouraged.



Enter this year's
Halloween
Costume Contest!
[2026 Costume
Contest](#)