



Happy September, Families!

September marks the start of Fall, the “-ber” months, and my most favorite season of the year: Notre Dame football. In honor of this beloved season and our 1st grade Saint, I wanted to share an expert from Fr. Nate Wills, Team Chaplain’s, book *Pray Like a Champion Today*. At the start of each game, he presents a medal to one player to hold throughout the game. For the 2025 national championship game, Fr. Nate presented gold prayer medals to the players and shared:

“The medal for the championship game reflects God’s love for each one of in both realms. On one side: St. Michael the Archangel, our intercessor in heaven. Chief among the archangels, he is a courageous warrior who guards heaven and humanity against evil. We call on him to defend us in battles of every kind. He is the patron of soldiers, police officers, and other professionals that face danger.”

Let this serve as a reminder of the love and protection that we have on earth and heaven, especially when we feel called to battle. GO IRISH!

From the Office

Our second grade class is collecting cans in honor of their classroom Saint, Mother Teresa’s, feast day. Please bring in canned goods to support this drive to help the hungry.



2nd Grade Classroom
St. Teresa of Calcutta

Dear Jesus, help me to spread Thy fragrance everywhere I go. Flood my soul with Thy spirit and love. Penetrate and possess my whole being so utterly that all my life may only be a radiance of Thine. Shine through me and be so in me that every soul I come in contact with may feel Thy presence in my soul.
Feast Day: 9/5



1st Grade Classroom
St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen. Feast Day: 9/29

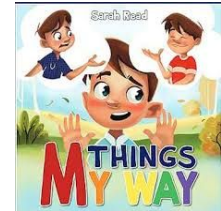
Save the Date!

9/4 No School/Inservice
9/7 No School/Labor Day
9/8-9/11 Book Fair
9/9 Noon Dismiss/Kona Ice
9/11 Lopes Mass/Noon Dismiss
Donuts with Grownups Bon Hall
9/14 Charleston Wrap fundraiser kickoff
9/15 1st Communion Meeting
9/18 Linguica Drive Thru Dinner
9/25 No School/Staff Symposium
9/29 Fall School Pictures/ School uniform
9/30 Noon Dismiss Parent /Teacher Conferences kick off

Virtue of the Month:

Circumspection:

Careful consideration of circumstances and consequences



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People of Prayer & Service



Parent Association News

Donuts with Grownups will be Friday, September 11th. Mass will begin at 9:30am in Lopes, followed by donuts and coffee in Bon Hall. All are welcome!

Linguica Dinner Drive-Thru is set for Friday, September 18th from 4-6PM. Tickets are available in the office now and they will count toward your fundraising obligation!

Please Save the Date for our largest fundraiser of the school year! BASH will be Friday, November 13th, 2026.

Grown-up Corner

It's Book Fair time! In honor of promoting literacy, take some time to read this article on ways to foster literacy with your student.

CYO Information from Mr. Lopez

Practices for Cross Country have started and CYO will post the schedule soon.

From our Church & Diocese



With the 2026-2027 school year beginning, it is important to remain focused on the importance of keeping our children safe from danger.

Training requirements have been established throughout the Diocese of Stockton mandating that all people who work with children and youth in our parishes and schools (parents, grandparents, aides, teachers, catechists, coaches, clergy and religious) must undergo Child Abuse Prevention training set forth in the guidelines established by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

This training includes being fingerprinted and background checked, completing the VIRTUS on-line course every three years, as well as reading and signing the Codes of Conduct and Standards of Conduct.

If you are planning on helping at your child's school, you are REQUIRED to complete this training BEFORE you can be on campus.

No one is allowed to work or volunteer with or around children unless they have completed all the requirements.

Check with the Safe Environment Coordinator at your church or school to obtain the required forms.

Please visit our website www.stocktondiocese.org and click on the Safe Environment Department tab for more information.

Here's to a wonderful year filled with knowledge, friendships and a feeling of security for our students, teachers, staff and parents.

August 2026



Thank you to those families that joined us a few weeks ago to learn more about empowering your student to be digital citizens. You may know that I have a very strong opinion on social media for children and adolescents. Although it is very unlikely that young people will not engage with social media, the only option is to equip them with the knowledge to use it safely, this includes gaming. The key takeaways from the presentation that every adult can begin with are to ensure that your student has a trusted adult they can confide in. Begin the conversation with your student and empower them to be open and honest with you about what they are engaging in online. I am happy and willing to engage in any useful dialogue about social media that may be helpful as you navigate this. Below is a follow-up from the presenter.

Mrs. Rothstein

As discussed, reinforcement and continued conversation are critical components of digital safety education. When ready, please use the information below to access the workshop replay materials and supporting resources.

Note: It is highly recommended that all student and parent videos be previewed before showing them to children under the age of 11.

Workshop Replay Access:

- Visit: <https://www.iroc2.org/758.html> *[This site best viewed on a pc vs mobile]*
- Username: SSCS
- Password: Community

How You Can Support IROC2:

If you found value in the program and would like to support our efforts to educate and protect students, families, and schools, we would sincerely appreciate any feedback or social engagement regarding your experience. You can connect with us here:

- Facebook: [facebook.com/iroc2.org](https://www.facebook.com/iroc2.org)
- Instagram: [@mydigitalsafety](https://www.instagram.com/mydigitalsafety)
- Threads: [@mydigitalsafety](https://www.threads.net/@mydigitalsafety)
- X: [@MyDigitalSafety](https://twitter.com/MyDigitalSafety)
- LinkedIn: www.linkedin.com/in/richardquery

Thank you again for your commitment to student safety and well-being. We greatly appreciate the opportunity and hope to work together again in the future.

Warmest Regards,
Richard Guerry
Executive Director
The Institute for Responsible Online
and CellPhone Communication (IROC2)

Novena in Honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

Join us each Monday, beginning 9/14, at 2:45 PM to prayer this [Novena](#) in honor of the Miraculous Medal presented to St. Catherine Laboure in 1830. Click the link above to learn more about this reminder of Our Lady's powerful intercession.



The Miraculous Medal

Families,

We are very excited to share that our school is partnering with [Hallow](#) to strengthen our moral and spiritual foundations in a continued effort to be mission and SPIRIT aligned. Every team member and student will have FULL access to Hallow.

To the right you can find useful information on how to implement Hallow at home. The [Catechism of the Catholic Church](#) teaches us that parents are the child's first educator and we are blessed to partner with you in the continued faith formation of your student.



Hallow for Parents

Simple Ways to Bring More Prayer Into Everyday Family Life

The Meyer Family's Everyday Prayer Rhythm

(Simple moments of prayer with Hallow woven into everyday life)

Morning Calm (Before School)

As the house starts buzzing, we play peaceful piano music — maybe Advent, Christmas, or Lent instrumental 'prayerlist' — while eating breakfast, packing lunches, and getting ready. It sets a calm, prayerful tone and helps everyone start the day grounded in peace.

Car Ride to School

The car becomes our prayer space! We'll listen to a *Kids Prayer Challenge* session or *Saints Alive* podcast to kick off the school day with a quick, joyful prayer or saintly inspiration.

Drive Home from Drop-Off

Just for parents — a quiet moment with the *Prayer Challenge* of the moment: Lent, Advent, Easter, or other. It's a gentle reset after the morning rush, before starting the workday.

School Pick-Up Carline

While waiting, I spend time reflecting using our *Daily Reflection with Jonathan & Jeff*, our *Family Rule of Life*, or a quick *Minute Monk*. This quiet time with the Lord before pick up brings me such peace and calm, so I can be at my best for my kiddos.

Dinner Time

Dinner time is filled with music, with seasonal worship music playing in the background. It keeps us joyful, relaxed, and has become a big part of our family rhythm.

Bedtime Wind-Down

We pray together with our younger children before bed, and we have added a decade of the Rosary during this Advent season to pray for special intentions — a simple, peaceful way to close our day praying for others. Hallow's bedtime prayer sessions for families are also beautiful, and we use them occasionally.

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.

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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](#)

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

College Tailgate | Wed. 9/9
9:30am-11:00am

Bookfair | 9/08-9/11

Donuts with Grownups | Fri. 9/11
9:30am (Lopes)

First Friday Mass | Fri. 9/11

Linguica Drive Thru | Fri. 9/18
4:00pm-6:00pm

Picture Day | Tue. 9/29

9/4- No School

9/7- No School

9/9- Noon Dismissal

9/11 - Noon Dismissal

9/18 - Free Dress for a Cause

9/25 - No School





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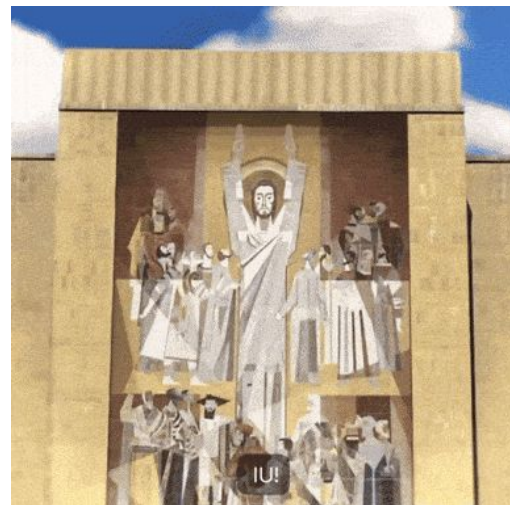
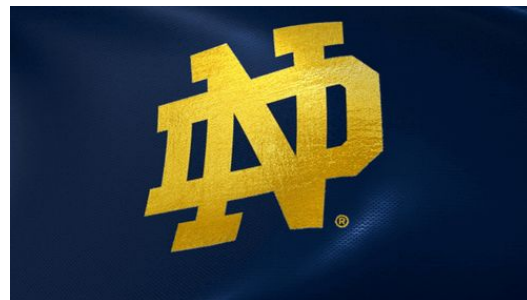
COLLEGE FOOTBALL TAILGATE







WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2026
BON HALL PARKING LOT
9:30-11 AM



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC
SCHOOL PRESENTS

DONUTS *with* GROWNUPS

FRIDAY, SEPT 11TH, 2026



Mass begins at 9:30 in Lopes Orchard de Paul Center. Join us for this fun event for parents, grandparents, or another special grownup in your child's life! Donuts & coffee will be served in Bon Hall after mass.

LOPES ORCHARD DE PAUL CENTER

— 505 M STREET —
PATTERSON, CA 95363

*There's nothing better than
sweet moments and sugary smiles.*

Don't miss out!

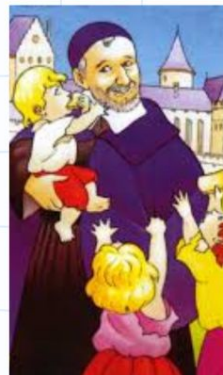
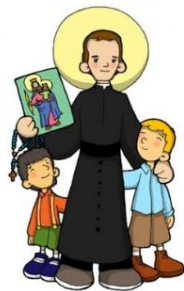


ANNUAL FAITH FAMILY SORTING

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2026

OFFICE COURTYARD 11:15 AM

Saint Isidore
the Farmer



LINGUICA
MEAL

\$13

Linguica Meal

MEAL INCLUDES SANDWICH, BEANS, CHIPS & COOKIE



FRIDAY,
SEPT. 18, 2026



PICKUP BETWEEN
4-6 PM



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CATHOLIC SCHOOL
Bon Hall
505 M Street, Patterson



September is Hispanic Heritage Month.
Here are a few ways you can celebrate this month.

Study the life and writings of Pope Francis, the former Archbishop of Buenos Aires and the first Latin American Pope.

As a starting point, watch Biography's [3-minute mini bio](#) of Pope Francis or see Pope Francis give a TED talk on ["Why the only future worth building includes everyone."](#)

Explore Marian devotions in Spanish-speaking countries around the world.

Our Lady of Guadalupe is the Patroness of the Americas. Learn [her story](#) or [pray a novena](#) to ask for her intercession. Or learn about other Marian devotions, such as [Our Lady of the Rosary of Chiquinquirá](#) or [Our Lady of Charity of El Cobre](#).

Wish Lists

