

# ST. HELENA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## February 2023

Vol. 9



### Saints Newsletter

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Christian Flores (2nd)	2/9
Ana Julia Alvidrez (PK)	2/9
Kataleya Zaragoza (K)	2/11
Victoria Flores (PK)	2/20
Conor Provencio (1st)	2/29

#### SAVE THE DATE!

Catholic Schools Week	1/29-2/4
PSA Meeting at 6PM	2/7
Parent/Teacher Conferences	2/9
No School	2/9
Class Parties at 2PM	2/14
Birthday Celebration Mass	2/15
MARDI GRAS	2/18
President's Day/ No School	2/20
Ash Wednesday	2/22
Fast Food/ Snack Fri-Yay	2/24
Dr. Suess Week	2/27-3/3

### 2nd 9 Weeks Award Recipients

#### "A" Honor Roll

Oscar Alvidrez  
Nayeli Arguelles  
Skylar Bittle  
Kaylani Herrera  
Leyton Kunko  
Giselle Navarro  
Mason Olenik  
Aarav Patel  
Conor Provencio  
Parineeti Seelaboyina  
Renata Silva  
Jayme Thompson  
Leonardo Trevizo  
Jaxon Thomas  
Kennedy Slaughter  
Delaney Garcia  
Zayden Romero  
Graycen Simon  
Xuri Thomas  
Juliet Beaver  
Angel Torrez  
Nhat Ben Tran

#### "AB" Honor Roll

Adalyn Fuentes  
Sergio Garcia  
Manuel Pupo  
Christian Flores  
Selena Losoya  
Aidan Moreno  
Maribel Hernandez  
Merry Mhavile  
Yaretzy Moreno  
Nicolle Porras  
Stella White  
Maylea Herrera  
Christian Mayes  
Avani Jimenez

#### Light of Christ

Anson Kunko  
Max Martinez  
Kaylani Herrera  
Jaxon Thomas  
Ysabella Dominguez  
Delaney Garcia  
Melany Gutierrez

#### Citizenship

Harper McKenna  
George Huber  
Nayeli Arguelles  
Abigail Hernandez  
Stella White  
Christian Mayes

#### Most Improved

Ana Julia Alvidrez  
Bryson Jones  
Sergio Garcia  
Max Romero  
Nicolle Porras  
Zayden Romero  
Gabino Valdez

#### Most Improved Behavior

Zaidyn Richardson

#### Perfect Attendance

Jonah Losoya  
Conor Provencio  
Ysabella Dominguez  
Merry Mhavile



Saturday, February 18th

Tickets are for sale in the school office!!



February 22nd  
Mass at 9 AM

**Stations of the Cross**  
every Friday at 12:30 PM  
with the students of SHCS  
starting Friday  
February 24th  
Except Friday, March 17th  
while SHCS students have  
Spring Break

#### News from the Principal...

I am a product of St. Helena Catholic School. I attended school here from 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade. My two children and now my two grandchildren are also part of the educational system here at St. Helena. I worked in three different public school districts in New Mexico for 34.5 years as an educator and an administrator. I also taught at the University of the Southwest for several years. I invite you parents, grandparents, and friends to visit our school and even volunteer to help our future leaders become outstanding contributors to our society. Who would have ever guessed that a student sitting in these classrooms would come back to become the administrator. The possibilities are endless. *We don't know what the future holds, but we do know who holds the future!*

I feel so blessed and honored to be serving as the new principal at St. Helena Catholic School. I

Blessings, Ms. Carrillo



# What's happening in class...

## Pre-K

We now have 18 students in our Pre-K class! We are learning about our First Responders in our community. We are also learning our sight words and our full names.



## Kindergarten

Kindergarten is gaining a deeper knowledge of Jesus' life from birth to his crucifixion. We will be learning about St. Valentine as well. We will continue to work hard to read with a combination of sight words and phonics sounds. In literacy, we are learning about settings, characters, main idea and how to look for context clues. We are working hard on strengthening our addition skills as well as being introduced to subtraction! In science, we are learning about weather, biomes and different animals.



## 1st Grade

1st graders are learning about Venn Diagram to show how things are alike and different. We are about to wrap up our Unit 4 in Reading and we learned a lot about animals. In religion, we are learning about creation.



## 3rd Grade

3rd grade is reviewing multiplication and integrating division. We have been reading about animals and how they adapt to challenges in their environment, and in grammar we are working on correct punctuation in a dialogue writing. In science we are learning about how waves move. In SS we are learning about different Community Environments. In Religion, we are learning about Respect for Life and care for our bodies. We have also been using our Bibles more learning how to look up verses. We are working hard on getting our Mardi Gras projects done during art.



## 5th Grade



It's a busy time for the BRATZ!! We have fled the Forest of Fractions and are briefly detained in the Dungeon of Decimal Operations. We are finishing our study of the Sacrament of Confirmation and moving into our unit on the Holy Eucharist. After a spectacular face-off over the location

of the 50 United States with the 4th-grade Critters (SO CLOSE), we have returned to the 18th Century for a look at hygiene practices and staging our own New England Town Meeting!! We are back to serving at School Mass and gearing up for Lent and Stations of the Cross. Finally, we just turned in our spectacular science-fiction Creative Narrative assignments and are diving into writing narrative nonfiction. So much to do while staying warm!!!

#FifthgradeRULES

## 2nd Grade

2nd graders are learning and reading poems! They are also working with rhyming words. In math, students are reviewing telling time to get into harder things. In religion, we will learn about The Beatitudes. We will also learn the story of Mother Teresa. In social studies, they will research African American History.



## 4th Grade

In religion we are continuing to break down, The Ten Commandments as well as, The Two Great Commandments and, The New Commandment. We will continue work in our Harcourt Language Arts as our, Unit 4 Wonders in reading takes us into, narrative nonfiction, fantasy and then into historical fiction. In math we are building off of division working with more 2 and 3-digit numbers with greater remainders. 4th grade is serving more and more at mass.

