



# Mary, Mother of the Redeemer

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Dear Parents,

It has long been our pleasure to be able to assist our parents with childcare both before and after school hours. Our CARES program was put into place so that parents working outside the home can have the comfort of knowing that the children are safe and well supervised. We are pleased to be able to continue this program again this year.

The current situation surrounding the COVID-19 virus has presented schools with some challenges, and we will be no exception. In the past we have been able to accommodate quite a large number of children, whose parents often have various schedules, and to accommodate larger numbers without difficulty. However, we are now taking our time to consider the possible limitations that may be placed upon us, specifically as they pertain to the amount of children per room so as to ensure proper social distancing. Having to follow governmental and archdiocesan guidelines and protocols will limit the number of children we can serve.

**Registration for CARES will be on a “first come first served” basis. If we hit our limit number with those registrations, then all other CARES registrations will be on a wait-list status. No drop-in services, on any day, will be available for the beginning of school. We will revisit the feasibility of accepting drop-ins as soon as possible.**

This is not typical procedure for us, and frankly we do not like finding ourselves in this uncomfortable position. But it is the rule of the moment, if you will, and so we must do our part to prepare for the children with particular regard to their ability to coexist in a room with respect to protecting themselves and others. Adjustments to the norm are common to us by now, and the CARES program cannot escape this adjustment.

**Please register quickly if you will need CARES. Registration requires the completion of the form at the last page of the [handbook](#) AND submission of your \$25 registration fee. Paperwork can be mailed to school at the above address or left in the 24/7 drop box at the parish office.** We will continue to monitor all guidelines and adjustments throughout the year, especially in the beginning months, and if the situation allows we will open spots for anyone still in need of care at those opportunities. I do so thank you for your kind understanding, and for recognizing that we have had to make this change with complete regard for the welfare of the children.

God bless,

Mrs. Judge  
Principal



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