



Dear Panther Families,

We are gearing up for another fantastic year at St. Anthony de Padua Catholic School! Please plan to join us for our **Back-to-School Mass and Open House on Sunday, August 11th at 10:30am**. After Mass, the school doors will open for students and families to meet their teachers between 11:30 AM and 12:00 PM. You are welcome to drop off school supplies to the classrooms during the Open House. The Open House is also a great time for pictures.

### **First Day of School, Thursday, August 15th**

We will begin our first day of school by celebrating Mass together. School staff will be ready to greet students and families at 7:50am at the church. Mass will begin promptly at 8:15. **Upon arrival, students will report directly to the church.** Students who do not drop off supplies at Open House can bring these with them to Mass.

If you are able to stay, please park and walk through our crosswalk to avoid walking through carline. Families are welcome to sit together.

If you are unable to stay, If you are unable to stay, you may drop children off in car line. Staff will be help them find their new teacher and class in the church.

After Mass, classes will leave from the church with their teacher and classmates. While students are heading to the classrooms, parents and family members are welcome to join us for a “Boo-hoo/Yahoo” breakfast in the lobby of the gym. In the interest of student safety, building access is limited to students and staff during school hours. If you have business within the school, you are welcome to sign in at the office. There will be opportunities throughout the year to see your child’s classroom and teacher.

### **Faculty & Staff Updates**

We are excited to welcome Mr. Erik Baldwin to our faculty. He will have the fourth grade homeroom while teaching Language Arts and Social Studies for both fourth and fifth grades. We also welcome Mrs. Clare Garvey who will be teaching art and Mrs. Anna Ortega-Shyne who will be teaching spanish.

### **Back-to-School Forms**

You can find back-to-school forms, informational documents, and links on the [Checklist for Parents webpage](#). Be sure to review and refer to this section on our new website as you prepare for your Panther for August 15th, our first day back! Some of the forms for this year are online and links can be found on the webpage.

*Sincerely,*

*Mrs. Karen Bogol*

*Principal*