

Dear St. Ambrose Family,

I hope that everyone is staying safe from all that is happening. I am sure that we all feel the uncertainty of the pandemic, but God will never abandon us if we put our trust in Him. I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your prayers and generous support of my family due to the death of my dad.

In spite of the turmoil our church and school have some exciting news. God continues to bless our beautiful family, church and school, with the necessary people to help structure and grow our community.

For St. Ambrose church, we finally have been able to hire a full-time accountant after a year of searching for a qualified candidate. Since last week, I am happy to announce that I hired Noelia Garcia for this position. Noelia has three years of bookkeeping experience at St Charles Borromeo and will be taking care of our parish bookkeeping and other things related to our finances. Please visit our parish webpage and Facebook page to read a brief account of Noelia that she wrote about herself. Prior to hiring Noelia, Noe Garza with our archdiocese had helped us with structuring our finances and setting up a system to ensure that we comply with archdiocesan regulations. I want to thank Noe for all her hard work in helping us with this critical need during this past year.

For St. Ambrose school, after much discernment, Sarah McDonald decided to resign as our school principal. I want to thank Sarah for tirelessly working as our school principal for these last two years, and I wish her well in her next endeavor. With the sudden need to fill her position I have spent significant time these last few weeks interviewing candidates with the help of the Catholic School office and a search committee consisting of members of our parish, school, and a principal from another school. After much prayer and listening to the advice of the search committee, I have decided to hire Khanh Pham as the new principal for our school. Prior to his new position with us, Khanh was the principal of Our Lady of Fatima Catholic School in Galena Park for the last four years and is known for his enthusiasm, ingenuity, and kindheartedness. I hope that with his experience and leadership he will help continue to build our beautiful school that has formed so many young Catholic boys and girls to become the persons who God wants them to be. Please visit our school webpage and Facebook page to read a letter that Khanh wrote to introduce himself to St. Ambrose school.

Let us continue to thank the Lord for blessing our community and let us pray that our church and school continue to grow not only in numbers, but also in holiness forming a Christian community known for our love just like the first Christians. Let us welcome Noelia and Khanh to our St. Ambrose family and let us pray for them to have the wisdom, knowledge, and love to help build our church and school.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Hieu Nguyen, Parish Administrator