

September 3, 2021

## From the Headmaster



Thanks to all the parents who attended Back to School Night.

And thanks to parents for returning so many different forms! Mrs. Mascari has been drowning in forms all week. **Forms are**

**provided in today's Friday folder for those families that have not returned the signature page of the handbook and/or emergency medical forms.**

As we began the school year we asked that students sit with their class at daily Mass for a couple of weeks. Before this was interrupted, I could see that it was good for teaching the students and forming habits. So, as I said at Back to School Night, I would like to continue this indefinitely. (We will be flexible when younger children need to be with their parents.) I believe it allows teachers to work on daily basis with all their students, and each student is next to classmates who are practicing the same things.

We recognize how much it means to students and parents to attend daily Mass together, and I am very happy that so many parents attend Mass with us. But I wonder whether this might be another way to appreciate praying together as part of the church at Mass. I welcome your thoughts.

### Schedule Changes Next Week

There will be no 7:30 Mass at Holy Rosary on Monday through Wednesday of next week. Please note the following:

- **Monday, Sept. 6 – No school** – Labor Day
- **Tuesday, Sept. 7 – Late arrival** – Elementary classrooms and the high school building open at 7:50, and homeroom begins at 8:00. The main building will open at 7:00 for students whose parents need to drop them off early, but please note that the gym remains closed until Tuesday night, so students who arrive early should have something to do.
- **Wednesday, Sept. 8 – Regular schedule but no Mass.** All students should arrive by 7:25 as usual. We will go to the church at 7:30 to celebrate the Nativity of Mary and pray our weekly Litany of St. Michael. At 8:00, we will take an all-school photo, so please make a special note to have children properly dressed in uniform.

### Pizza Day Tuesday, Sept. 7

Our first Pizza Day of the school year will be this coming Tuesday. We are returning to the pre-COVID practice of having all students together for lunch on Pizza Days, with parents supervising so that faculty members can have lunch together. Because the gym will be closed during the day on Tuesday, students will go to Priori Hall for lunch and to the park for recess. **We need more parent volunteers to supervise lunch and recess. If you can help, please sign up at [this link](#).** Thank you!

### Fall Chocolate Fundraising Drive

Please support our annual fall fundraiser. A flyer/permission slip is in today's folder, and sales start Tuesday, Sept. 14. We're asking each family to sell one box of \$1 chocolate bars for \$60. Please return your permission slip in with your Friday folder. We'll pass out boxes at the end of the school day on the 14th.

### School Photos Sept. 21

Our school photographer, Rachael Meier of Simple Heart Photography, will be at Lumen Christi on Monday, Sept. 20, to take pictures. Students should be in uniform for their school photos. Pre-K students will be photographed on Tuesday, Sept. 21, and other students who are absent on Monday can get their pictures taken that day. There will be a Retake Day in October.

**Parents will receive an email next week with more information about ordering school photos.**

### Support our High School Teams

The high school is fielding two teams in the fall season of **girls volleyball**, coached by Mr. Cope. Games for the two Lumen Christi teams are always scheduled back-to-back. The first games are on Wednesday, Sept. 8, at 6:15 and 7:00. All games are in the CYO Gym, and there are no restrictions on attendance, so come out and support Lumen Christi.

The high school **cross country** team has been practicing through the heat of recent weeks and will continue practices this week on Tuesday and Thursday, 2:30-4:00.

**Enjoy the three-day weekend!**