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**MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

October 7, 2019

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Warm Greetings!

By this time, your children have already adjusted very well to the school's routine. Thank you for your help, support and patience. It is always a joy to see them start the day motivated and enthusiastic to do their best in school.

Workshops for "*Protecting God's Children*" are now open to all parents who wish to be chaperones for this year's field trips. This is one of the requirements set by the Archdiocese of Newark's Safe Environment Program. Besides the workshop, additional forms must be submitted to Ms. G at the school office.

21<sup>st</sup> Annual Scholastic Olympics. Our 8<sup>th</sup> Graders will be participating in the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Scholastic Olympics at St. Joseph Regional High School in Montvale, NJ, on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. We support and wish them well in this upcoming competition.

Congratulations (!!)

... to our **Pastor, Very Rev. Michael J Kreder, V.R., KCHS**. Father Mike was elevated to the rank of Commander in the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre at Saint Patrick's Cathedral in New York City this weekend. He was invested into the Order in 2016 after being nominated by Archbishop Emeritus John J. Myers, J.C.D, and DD.

... to **Carmelle Sullivan**, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade student, who attended the Junior National Young Leaders Conference in Washington D.C. last summer. It was an awesome experience for Carmelle to be with fellow students from all over the country.

... to our newly elected **Student Council Officers (8<sup>th</sup> Graders)**:

President -	<b>Nazario Ramos</b>
Vice-President -	<b>Cristian Pena</b>
Secretary -	<b>Angela Vrenjo</b>
Treasurer -	<b>Shaktiraj Parmar</b>

Halloween Parade and Trunk or Treat. Our Halloween Parade is scheduled for Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, at 1:30 p.m. in the parking lot. The Trunk or Treat scheduled for Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. will also be held in the parking lot.

October is the month when we honor the Blessed Mother as Our Lady of the Rosary. I encourage you to pray the rosary together as a family and turn to her for all your needs and petitions.

The Church of Saint Mary had a Patronal Feast Day to Our Lady of the Rosary last Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019. There was a beautiful and solemn Evening Prayer after the Eucharistic Adoration in the afternoon.

May our Blessed Mother embrace you in the mantle of her love and protection.

Sincerely,  
*Miss Ana Maria Castaneda*  
Principal