



St Rose of Lima
Catholic School

MIRACLE ON BETHLEHEM STREET

PRINCIPAL CORNER

DECEMBER 8, 2025

ADVENT SEASON

DATES TO REMEMBER!

Immaculate Conception Mass ! 8:30	12/8
CHRISTMAS PLAY 6:30	12 / 18
Reconciliation Service 3rd-6th	12/19
CHRISTMAS BREAK!	12 / 20 - 1 / 2
SCHOOL RESUMES!	1 / 5 / 26

Message From Mrs. K

Advent is upon us. As a school, we surround ourselves in the promise God gives us of hope, love, joy, and peace in our lives. "Advent" is a word that means "to come." This season is when we get ready and prepare our souls for the coming of Jesus Christ...his divine birthday, Christmas Day.

We learned about St. Nicholas last week. Did you know he was known as the Bishop of Right-

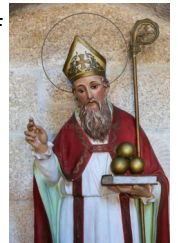
eousness?! Bishop Nicholas fought for the divine meaning of the Holy Trinity in a time of heresy. He was also known for saving three men falsely accused from being executed in the town square. While we know St. Nicholas for bringing presents and joy to children, he is also a wonderful example for defending the word of God.

As a school, we are continuing to learn how to

be blessed to hunger and thirst for righteousness this month.

This week we will be learning about different apparitions of Mary around the world, Juan Diego and Our Lady of Guadalupe, and St. Lucy.

Monday we will have Mass to celebrate the immaculate conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



Twice a year, during Advent and Lent, Fr. Cesar and Fr. Reuben bless us with

our own school reconciliation service.

What happens at a reconciliation service?

What if I am not Catholic?

Catholics practice going to confession at least twice a year to free themselves of any sin that may be weighing on their heart and to become closer to God through prayer or action or both. In the confessional, they are freed of any shame or fear they may be carrying and counseled by the priest of how to move forward.

Fr. Cesar performs a moving entry with the Blessed Sac-

RECONCILIATION SERVICE FOR 3RD-6TH GRADE

rament in a monstrance from the chapel to the gym. Bells are rung to announce the coming of the Lord and all students come out into the hallway to kneel. The monstrance is placed on the altar. 3rd-6th grade students follow father into the gym and kneel. Soft music is played while the priests take positions in two private corners in the gym. Students can choose to sit and pray, many bring bibles to read, and some go to confession. This is completely voluntary. Students not Catholic can sit and use the time to pray for family or special intentions they may have. Father then processes back down the hallway with the Blessed Sacrament. It is truly a gift to have this very personal ceremony offered to us.

DO YOU HAVE THE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM SCHEDULED?!

Are you new to St. Rose this year? Our Christmas program is more than a night of song! These amazing kids memorize lines, help create sets, and spend hours getting costumes and timing down. Mrs. Couture has an amazing mu-

sic talent and an incredible sense of humor to boot that won't disappoint you. Come and join us on December 18th at 6:30 in the school gym. **The older kids do the play first while the younger kids sit with their class up front. Please**

send your student to their classroom when you come in. At the end they all go up and sing Christmas songs to the audience. It is a night to remember! See you all there.

FREE DRESS DAY WILL BE 12/19

NO PROFESSIONAL HALF DAY THIS MONTH!

