



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Building Wisdom and Faith Through Service to God

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Dear St. Joseph Catholic School Families,

As we prepare for the start of a new school year, it is with great excitement and gratitude that I join the St. Joseph community as the new principal. I welcome all our new and returning families and look forward to partnering with everyone to continue building wisdom and faith through service to God. Each new year offers opportunities for growing spiritually, academically, and socially. It is our mission to continually foster the students' deeper connections to God and each other.

Faith is at the root of our spirituality, faith in ourselves, each other, our families, and above all else God. This year our overarching theme will be St. Joseph Most Faithful focusing on a quote from Mark 9:23 "Everything is possible for the one who believes". We are blessed to have a school where the amazing faculty and friars help students truly understand what it means to have faith in all aspects of what they can accomplish. They are created in God's image and when we believe we can accomplish anything.

It is my desire to continue to build upon the standing traditions and excellence of St. Joseph's Catholic School. Achieving this requires a true partnership between home and school. When the students see the adults in their lives all working together to help them achieve their goals they become active participants in their learning. We must instill in them faith, respect, courage, perseverance, and generosity. By approaching any challenge that arises with resiliency and faith the students become adept at navigating their academic path.

Our commitment to our Catholic identity remains at the forefront of what we do. We will continue to weave our faith into every aspect of school life, providing our students with a solid foundation rooted in Catholic teachings and values. Our faith based education aims to instill a sense of purpose, guiding our students to lead lives of service, honor, and compassion.

We look forward to a year filled with spiritual development, academic successes, and building lifelong friendships. Thank you for entrusting us to partner with you in the education and development of your children. Your support and trust are essential in creating a positive and effective learning environment. Together we can do anything.

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I am excited to start my 31st year in education as the principal of St. Joseph. I look forward to getting to know all of our families and learning about what makes St. Joseph Catholic School great. To paraphrase the quote for the year I have faith that God has placed me here for a reason and that together all things are possible.

God Bless,

Mrs. Ann Stich
Principal

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