

*St. Anastasia Catholic School
Newsletter
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Welcome to a New School Year!*

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Dear Parents of St. Anastasia Catholic School:

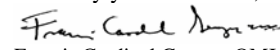
Congratulations and thank you for choosing to enroll your child in a Catholic school of the Archdiocese of Chicago. As Catholics moved into the diverse neighborhoods of the Archdiocese, their deep faith led them to establish Catholic schools as a vital part of this particular Church since its earliest years. These schools have fostered excellence on every academic level. Our exceptional preschool programs, grammar schools, high schools, colleges and universities continue to provide opportunities for students and families to be enriched by the gifts of Christ. The entire world benefits from the work of Catholic schools.

As you entrust St. Anastasia Catholic School with the education of your child, you contribute to this legacy and help to hand it on to another generation. The Church is blessed and empowered to assist parents, as the primary educators of their children, with this most noble mission of religious education. The special connection that Catholic education establishes among home, school, and the Church has proven to be a unique and powerful experience in the lives of young people, inspiring them to go forth and serve the people of God.

You will be remembered in my prayers as you worship God with the members of your school community and with the whole Church. When you and your child(ren) participate in the celebration of the Eucharist, in the prayer services that mark important moments during the academic year and in the daily prayers that begin and end the school day, we are all strengthened as members of the Body of Christ.

May God bless our students, their teachers and all who support the Catholic schools of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Francis Cardinal George, OMI

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Welcome One and All: We are off to a good start. As of August 24th, we have a total of 303 students, 17 less than the budgeted number. Therefore, some positions were eliminated but not program or services.

We welcome everyone both old and new families, and today we introduce the new students from Grade 1 to 8 at our assemblies.

We also welcome a new member of our faculty Ms. Angela Lorusso, who will be teaching second-grade with Ms. August. She holds a Master of Art in Education Degree from National Louis University, and was on the Dean's List at the University of Kansas. This summer, she worked with Ms. August and Ms. Bautista at day camp.

Summer Projects: SmartBoards have been installed in Preschool and in the teachers' lounge, thanks to the assistance of Mrs. Wajrowski. Work was done in Room 18 (kindergarten) including the removal of asbestos. It's been cleaned well and so we can all enter the building with no problem at all, although it won't be ready for opening day. Mrs. Wilson who will teach kindergarten will have to use her old preschool room until Room 18 is ready for occupancy.

We thank the parents who helped do some work in the gym and in the classrooms - painting, installations of cabinets and bookcases, among others.

Murals in Gym: Life-size murals were painted on the gym walls, spearheaded by Mr. Marginean, with the assistance of Mrs. Leslie Johnson and her mother Mrs. Bobbie Trainer. The cost was donated by the Trainer Family in memory of the late Mr. Wes Trainer. We thank the family for its generosity.

Parent Orientation Night, Sept. 3rd: The Assistant Superintendent of Catholic Schools for our area, Mr. Paul Maloney will be the speaker for the evening. We will start the meeting at 6:15 PM.

We encourage everyone to attend. You will be able to meet some members of the Board of Specified Jurisdiction, FSA officers, Sports Council and members of the Bingo Committee.

You will receive your Parent Handbook, and School Calendar for those who paid.

Welcome Back Picnic: FSA is going to sponsor a picnic and games for all the students this Friday starting at 11:30 AM. Any parent who can come to help will be much appreciated.

