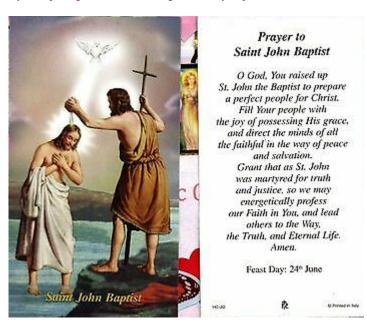


Parent Newsletter August 31, 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Week three of our school year. This week we celebrated St. John the Baptist martyr's day on August 29th. Our students are deeply engaged in learning and also having a good time in school. It is truly a joy and blessing to be here observing and participating with them on a daily basis.

Mission Statement: St. Bridget of Sweden School, recognizing that parents are the primary educators and teachers are facilitators of learning, provides an atmosphere conducive to the maximum development of all students, enabling them to become well-integrated individuals with Catholic principles, values and attitudes who are capable of living their lives according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



DROP-OFF

Drop Off Procedures

The staff will be guiding all parents as you enter the church/school premise. Please follow the drop-off procedures on a daily basis..

COVID-19 Guidelines & Protocols

We look forward to having all of our students back on campus! We strongly believe that for students to reach their full academic, social-emotional, and creative potential, daily face-to-face interaction with teachers and peers together, on campus, is the optimal learning environment. Below are a few highlights regarding our guidelines and protocols.

Masking Requirements

Masks, while on campus, are optional.

Physical Distancing

Physical distancing strategies are still recommended, as long as they do not interfere with full-time attendance for all students. We will be following the most recent guidance from the L.A. County Department of Public Health.

Additional Measures

- Washing/Sanitizing hands and disinfecting high-touchpoint areas
- Improved ventilation by maintaining open doors and windows, and use of air purifiers.
- Please no supply sharing. Be sure that students have their own supplies.
- Drinking fountains will continue to be limited to the water bottle fill station. Please ensure that your child is bringing their own refillable water bottle to school daily.

The health and safety of our students, families, faculty and staff are our priority. We thank you in advance for your patience and continued support.





If you will or may be utilizing **Before** school Morning Care Program, please drop your child off at the bungalow and sign-in with Mr. Edgar. Morning Care begins at 7:00am.



If you will or may be utilizing **Afterschool Care**. You must register with the Boys & Girls Club. The after school program has started! **It is held here at St. Bridget!!** Register immediately to begin. Please register directly with them using the following link: https://bgcburbank.org



Lunch delivery has begun. Your child may bring lunch from home or If you would like to order lunch for your child, please go to Mmmcaterings.com and use School Code: SBOSS-9821. Two new things to consider this year: First, you must pay using Paypal so be sure to sign up for that on your phone first. Second, the orders are to be made 48 hours in advance, therefore if your child wants lunch on a Wednesday, for example, please order the latest by Monday. Thank you.

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We are on AMAZON SMILE! Click the link before you make your purchase and a percentage of eligible purchases will support St. Bridget of Sweden School. PLEASE SHARE WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY! Thank you! https://smile.amazon.com/ch/95-1953478



Notes from Your School Librarian "Grateful Presence"

As I begin my 17th year as your school Librarian, I am feeling most grateful to the four Principals and all the families whose students I've served in my

volunteer Library Ministry over this period. Presently I am creating shelf space for new books by removing unborrowed books for extensive time that will be donated. I'll be seeking new homes for these book through the Library hallway display and donating them outside the Church after Masses on Sundays to be determined. We plan to open the Library for book borrowing on Tuesday, September 6th; and, begin to schedule Class visits. As noted previously, I will be pursuing a full-day presence every T & Th, with a few hours on Wed. However, I would welcome service-hour Library assistance from available family members on Wednesday mornings to maintain full-day service. Such aid would indeed make your Librarian's ministry a most grateful presence.

First Fundraiser of the School Year

Jersey Mike's has graciously offered to open their door to Stboss parents, families and friends.



Good goes beyond

the sub! Join us **Wednesday, September 7th** in support of **St. Bridget Of Sweden School.** We're happily donating 20% of sales, so stop by, enjoy some great subs and help Jersey Mike's support this worthy cause.

Jersey Mike's is located at 8420 Balboa blvd. • Northridge • 818-960-0996

*Must present the flier in person or on phone at time of purchase. We have flyers in the school office. Please pick one up or have your child take one home!

Let's Dance....

St. Bridget is fortunate to have a dance teacher, Ms. Marilyn who is bringing a variety of dance classes to our school. The classes will be held in the Hall every Friday after school. Ms. Marilyn is offering a **free** class today, Wednesday, August 31st. Her paid classes will begin this Friday, September 2nd.. You may leave your children in daycare with the Boys & Girls' Club if you have signed up or pick them up, take them home and bring them back in time for dance! Don't forget, there is a special family dance class every week. See the flyer below for more information to sign up.



All are invited to the closing of the Jubilee doors of the Chapel of the Annunciation by Archbishop Gomez at Mission San Gabriel Arcángel September 10th

All are invited to the closing of the Jubilee doors at the Chapel of the Annunciation by Archbishop José H. Gomez on Saturday, September 10, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at Mission San Gabriel Arcángel (428 S Mission Dr., San Gabriel, CA 91776). A Jubilee Year Closing Mass at the Mission Church will follow, but as space is limited inside the Mission Church, the Mass will be livestreamed in the Chapel of Annunciation and on lacatholics.org/jubilee/. After the Mass, the faithful will be invited to a reception and to walk through the garden and the Mission, which will open to the public for the first time since it suffered arson in 2020, to view the restoration progress until 4 p.m.

Do you need Volunteer hours?



We need volunteers!

Please inform Mrs. Hernandez in the Office of your availability. We have numerous projects where your support will be greatly appreciated.

Gently Used Clothes Needed



Our PAC continues to collect gently used clothing. If your child outgrows their school uniform, sweatshirt, etc., Please consider donating it to our school. Parents and students would greatly appreciate having these items available for their growing children. Mrs. Marquez and Mrs. Son continue to wash and prepare donated clothing for future sales. We will notify you of these dates.

LUNCHES FROM HOME

Please send your child with a lunch that does not require heating. Heating lunches impacts their instructional time as they have to leave class prior to lunch time to heat it up and then carry a hot container from the electric outlet to the eating area could be dangerous. Thank you.



Back to school has been lots of fun, engaging and productive. Here are *Class pictures* parents shared from our first day this year...



TK/K Grade Ms. Cruz/Ms. Lieb



1/2 Grade Ms. Cornejo



3/4 Grade Ms. Robins



5/6 Grade Mr. Hernandez



Class of 2023 Ms. Carrillo



Friday, September 2: 8:00 a.m. Mass

Monday, September 5: Labor Day - NO School!

Sunday, September 18: 9:00 a.m. School Mass

Have a very blessed week, $\ensuremath{\textit{Dr. Cruz}}$

