

# St. Aloysius Happy House Learning Center

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Mary, Mother of God

## JANUARY NEWS 2023

Dear Parents:

**WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!** I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and I wish you a very happy and blessed New Year.

I want to begin this letter by expressing my gratitude and that of the Sisters of Saint Aloysius for your warm greetings and thoughtful gifts during this Christmas season. Your kindness toward us is deeply appreciated. We assure you of our prayers for you and for your family throughout the entire year.

Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated from Sunday, January 29 to Saturday, February 4. *The CSW 2021- 2024 theme is “Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.” Catholic schools have a specific purpose to form students to be good citizens of the world, love God and neighbor and enrich society with the leaven of the gospel and by example of faith.*

*As communities of faith, Catholic schools instill in students their destiny to become saints. Academic excellence is the hallmark of Catholic education intentionally directed to the growth of the whole person – mind, body and spirit. Finally, service is fundamental to Catholic education and the core of Catholic discipleship. Service is intended to help form people who are not only witnesses to Catholic social teaching, but also active participants through social learning.*

*The CSW logo emphasizes that the Catholic school, like the Catholic Church, is not a building or an institution, but it is the people. As the people of God, we work together to bring the Kingdom of God to Earth and raise up the next generation to do the same. The image of teachers and students forming the foundation of the school shows that they are active people of faith who serve others and God. May we all strive to live in active service of Jesus and his mission as we nationally join together during Catholic Schools Week and always. (NCEA)*

**Open House:** As part of our School activities for CSW we will have an Open House on Sunday, January 29 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. **Please spread the word!!!**

There will be many activities to celebrate Catholic Schools Week with the children: Visit of Police Officer, craft and ice cream party, pajama day, my favorite toy day and more.

If anyone would like to bring or do something for the children to make this a meaningful week to be remembered by them, we will greatly appreciate it and thank you ahead of time. Just make sure that you tell the teacher of your class about your plans.

**Registration for the year 2023-2024** is now open. Please tell your friends, relatives and neighbors about our program. If you plan to leave your child in St. Aloysius for the new scholastic year, please notify your child's teacher. You will receive registration papers which you will need to fill out and return to school as soon as possible.

January 22, 2023 is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision. Please join with us in praying for an end to abortion and for the respect of all human life from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death.

Our School will be closed on Monday, January 17 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr.

We are sending information about lead poisoning. Please read it carefully, and sign the paper that tell us that you read the information.

May the blessings of Almighty God be yours in the New Year and always.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Sister Madeline Soto, OBT

