

AS OF JULY 30, 2020

Dear Holy Trinity School Parents/Guardians,

In accordance with Governor Newsom's orders and to ensure the health and safety of our students and staff, we have adjusted our instructional plan for the 2020-2021 academic school year. With the approval of the Diocese of San Diego's Office for Schools, the first day of school has been moved back approximately two weeks, and will begin in *temporary* distance learning on September 1. We will continue to focus on the Guiding Principles for San Diego Catholic *Temporary* Distance Learning:

- ❖ Recognize the **health** and **well-being** of students as our top priority
- ❖ Provide **continuity** in the learning process and **connection** with students
- ❖ **Engage students** in meaningful and relevant **learning** and **faith** experiences
- ❖ Remain **flexible** with students and families and make adjustments based on feedback

We recognize that continuing *temporary* distance learning poses challenges and hardship for many families and have learned much from school closure last spring. Therefore, the following priorities have been established for *temporary* distance learning this upcoming fall:

- ❖ Synchronous (live) teacher led daily instruction (whole class and small group)
- ❖ Focus on prioritized K-8 Standards for Schools in the Diocese of San Diego
- ❖ Asynchronous (pre-recorded) grade-level appropriate instructional videos
- ❖ Enrichment activities in art, music, and physical education
- ❖ Grades that reflect student progress toward mastery of standards
- ❖ Daily attendance tracking
- ❖ Teacher feedback on student progress
- ❖ Support for students with an Individual Learning Plan (ILP) as designated by our Students Success Team (SST) Learning Support Program
- ❖ Various prayer and community building faith-based virtual meetings
- ❖ Weekly in-person outdoor school Mass on our Holy Trinity School field

We will continue to work to improve plans that support the academic, faith, social, and emotional well-being of all students and families. Holy Trinity School is prepared to pivot and transition to in-person instruction on the school campus as soon as local health directives permit us to do so. While plans may continue to change, our mission remains the same: Holy Trinity School is committed to supporting families in educating children in academics and Catholic values to meet the challenges of our world. We encourage you to stay connected using the [School Reopening update page](#) of our school website. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

All the Best,
Mrs. Julia Marentez
Principal, Holy Trinity School