



ST. ROSE NEWS

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Academy

A Catholic Education

Forming Excellent Catholic Scholars and Faithful Disciples of Jesus

Denver, CO

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Key Dates and Announcements:

November 2nd

Change your clocks back
1 hour

November 7th

End of 1st Trimester

November 11th

Report Cards go Home

November 13th

Individual Picture Day
re-takes

November 24th – 28th

No School – Thanksgiving
Vacation

Friday, December 19th

POSADA @ 6:00 P.M.

December 22nd to January 2nd

No School - Christmas Vacation

Monday, January 5th

No School – PD Day

Monday, January 19th

No School – MLK Holiday

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Message from Mr. Madden

Dear St. Rose of Lima Families,

As we enter the month of November, we are reminded that this is a special time to reflect, give thanks, and pray for those who have gone before us. November is the month of **All Souls**, and we invite all families to join us for Mass whenever possible as we come together in faith and remembrance. Mass will be celebrated on **Mondays (Grades 1–8), Wednesdays (Grades 3–5), Thursdays (Grades 6–8), and Fridays (Grades 6–8)**. These moments of prayer and reflection help us grow closer as a community and keep the memory of our loved ones alive in faith.

At the same time, we want to take a moment to encourage families to continue monitoring what students are watching and engaging with at home—especially on social media platforms such as TikTok. While technology can be a wonderful tool for learning and creativity, we have also noticed that some online trends can cause distractions and disrupt classroom learning. We ask for your partnership in helping students use technology responsibly and purposefully, whether through platforms like **Freckle Math** or **Accelerated Reader**, or by simply setting aside time for focused, healthy activities away from screens.

Lastly, we're excited to share that our new **Madrina Program** has officially begun! This initiative aims to strengthen family connections and foster a deeper sense of community at St. Rose. We hope to host more family-centered events throughout the year and would love to hear your ideas for future gatherings or ways to bring our community closer together.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in helping our students **grow in faith**, knowledge, and love. May this month of gratitude bring peace and blessings to your homes.

With appreciation,

Matt Madden

Principal

In-climate Weather

With the weather changing to cold and snow there may be a chance that school will have to close. **Please make sure to update your phone numbers and emails with the office and check that your class dojo is working if you get a new phone.** We will send out an email or text to families if we need to close school. We will also have the **news stations (4, 7, 9, and 31)** announce a closure by 6:30 am. We will change the voicemail on the school phones informing callers that school has been canceled as well.

Cold Weather

We plan on taking the children outside a couple of times daily even if it is cold to have them get fresh air.

Please make sure to send your children with coats, gloves, and hats if you have them. Most times if it warms up when the sun comes out for lunch and second recess the children take off the heavier jackets. It is still nice for them to have a heavier jacket when the clouds cover the sun. Snow boots are not necessary as we do not allow the children to step into deep snow or throw snowballs!



Read-A-Thon

Read-a-thon

Each family was responsible for raising \$100 by October 27th. If the \$100 was not in your child's online Read-A-Thon link, you will be charged the fee in your FACTS account. You can always pay in the office, and we will add it to your FACTS account so your auto payment will NOT increase by \$100. Below is the current data on our fundraising and reading logs for the 2025 school year.

Top Raised:

Emiliano F \$395.00

Top Minutes:

Top Readers: Aubrey Cruz 1703

School reported

Total Minutes Read: 11593

Readers with minutes: 39

Top Classes:

Top Raised: **Ms. Vayas** = \$615.00

Top Minutes:

Ms. Otto

Posada

See attached flyer of what we are requesting families to bring so our event will be successful. We need 1 piñata donated if anyone could help, please let the office know. Thank you so much for considering the donation.

Pictures

Individual school pictures

If you purchased individual pictures in October and don't like how your child's pictures came out, return the entire package to the photographer on retake day. Retakes for absent children and those who want to retake their picture will take place on November 13th

Students NEED to be IN UNIFORM for retake day. Your child can wear a different shirt and bring a uniform shirt to change into after they take their picture. REMEMBER we do NOT carry change at the school.



Student of the Month

Here are our Student of the Month for October 2025 and what their teacher said about their choice:

Koalas – We are so proud to recognize **Abram Correa-Aguilar** as our Student of the month! He is a great role model for his peers and always shows kindness and respect toward both classmates and teachers. Abram has learned to write his first and last name, and he is recognizing more alphabet letters each day. He has a big interest in dinosaurs and loves sharing fun facts about them with the class. Keep up the great work, Abram!

Pandas – In the Pandas classroom we are happy to award student of the month to Gael Vazquez. Gael has shown great improvement academically by writing his first and last name. He is also a great friend that shares and is kind to peers. He models what our classroom rules are for all his peers. We are happy to see him grow this month and can't wait to see how much more he can achieve. Congratulations **Gael Vazquez**.

Kindergarten – Our student of the month is quite the wonder boy! He loves to learn, he is so polite, and he is working hard every day! One of my favorite things about **Matias Alvarado Graterol** is that he is still learning his English. He is so determined, and he will try really hard to find the right words to use to explain things in English. I love to see such a young boy work so hard, and he will be a bilingual superstar! He also loves Jesus! He sets a wonderful example every day. We love having him in class. Way to go Matias!

1st grade – What an honor it is to recognize this student for student of the month. She is a joy to have in class - always smiling, kind, and willing to help others. Her positive attitude brings so much warmth and encouragement to everyone! She puts her best effort into everything, whether it's classwork, group activities, or independent learning! Congratulations, **Ximena Alonso Robles**! We are so proud of you and grateful to have you in our class.

2nd grade – **Abraham Montano Torres** is our Star of the Month because he is always thoughtful and kind. He is a good friend to all and shows integrity and honesty.

3rd grade – I am so happy to announce that **Arlette Arroyo Rios** is our student of the month. Arlette embodies all of St. Rose's core values! Not only that, but she is so kind and respectful to her peers and teachers. She pushes herself academically, tries her hardest with all of her work, and is always the first to offer help. Arlette is a true friend to everyone around her, and I am so proud of her. Thank you, Arlette, I love having you in class!

4th grade – I am proud to select **Gea Zuniga** as our student of the month. Each day, I see how hard she works to complete her assignments accurately, even when the task is difficult. She demonstrates determination and a strong desire to do her best. Gea raises her hand when she has a question or needs help, and she is always respectful. I also see her kindness and thoughtfulness toward both her classmates and her teachers. She is always willing to help out. My hope is that she never loses the perseverance she shows now and that she carries it with her throughout her academic journey. Gea, I am very proud of your hard work and dedication, congratulations!

5th grade – I am so proud to recognize **April Herrera-Aguilar** as our Student of the Month! April's hard work and dedication shine through in everything she does. She consistently gives her best effort, approaches challenges with a positive attitude, and always seeks to grow as a learner. Beyond her academics, April shows incredible kindness toward others and is the first to lend a helping hand to her classmates. She is a true role model who leads by example through her respect, responsibility, and caring heart. I am so grateful to have April in our 5th-grade class, she makes our classroom a better place each and every day!

6th grade – We are delighted to present **Gianna Handley** as the sixth-grade student of the month! She invests herself in her schoolwork. She has a quick mind and enjoys learning new concepts. She works hard to have a positive outlook every day. She is perseverant and dependable. Congratulations, Gianna!

7th grade – **Maria Montano Torres** is a shining example of positivity and perseverance. Her warm energy lights up the classroom, motivating her classmates to stay focused, keep trying, and always give their best. She leads by example—not just with her dedication to learning, but with her encouraging spirit that reminds everyone that success comes from hard work and a positive mindset. Maria doesn't just rise to challenges-she inspires others to rise with her.

8th grade – This month, we are proud to recognize **Esau Cervantes Ruiz** for his kindness, humor, leadership, and dedication to our school community. He demonstrates respect and compassion toward his peers and teachers, always willing to lend a helping hand or offer a friendly word to cheer his friends up. In the classroom, he advocates for himself, showing great initiative in his learning. As an altar server at school Mass, Esau serves with reverence and joy, even taking on the important responsibility of organizing the altar serving schedule for others. His leadership through his faith and commitment to service are a true reflection of his commitment to his faith and wonderful character. We are grateful to have him as a role model in our school.

Congratulations to all of you!



Dear St. Rose of Lima Families,

Our Posada is our Advent Celebration, which is organized every year before the Christmas Break. It will take place on Friday, December 19 at 6 p.m. To have another successful event, we need everyone's help! Here is the list of donations that have been assigned to each class. If you have more than one student, you may choose to only donate one of the assigned items. Please bring your non-food donation to the school by **Tuesday, December 16th**. If possible, please mark the name of your student on the item, so we can count it towards your volunteer hours. **We appreciate your help and support!**

If your name doesn't appear in the list, bring the item from the older sibling's grade, PLEASE!

Item Donation List

School will bring bowls and napkins

Pre K - bag of candy for piñata (One bag each)

Kinder - bag of candy for piñata (One bag each)

1st grade - Nacho cheese (NOT- Jarilex, sister bringing candy)

2nd grade - 1 dozen of sweet bread/pan dulce, or cookies Large bag of Nacho Chips
(NOT - Alex, Omar, Gael, Abraham, Eliana siblings bringing Candy)

3rd grade - 60 paper plates (NOT – Alonso, Analeyza, JJ, Elianna siblings bringing items)

4th grade - 1 dozen Tamales (last name A-L BRING GREEN last name M-V BRING RED)

1 dozen of sweet bread/pan dulce, or cookies

6th grade - 1 dozen Tamales (last name A-L BRING GREEN last name M-V BRING RED)

7th grade - 24 pack of water

8th grade - Bowls for nachos (last name ending A-G Napkins (last name ending L-P)
Large bag Chips for Nachos (last name ending R-V)
Nancy, Christina & Alondra – large can of Jalapenos

If you would like to volunteer before, during or after our Posada, please make a selection, write your and your student's name and return the form to the office.

Set-up/prepare

Serve food

Pick-up/clean

Student(s): _____ Parent: _____

