



ST. PETER'S
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St. Peter's News

— OPEN HEARTS OPEN MINDS —

FALL 2021

Greetings from St. Peter's School to Our Dear Alumni & Friends,

Good News! 100% of students have returned safely for in-person learning here on campus. We continue to follow all COVID-19 safety protocols and feel blessed to be fully back in community!



With all students back in classrooms, teachers can resume using the small group instruction and individualized literacy and mathematics curricula that prompted twice as many students to score higher on STAR tests between 2018-2019 and 2019-2020. Literacy

coaches are joining teachers in the classroom to offer helpful educational techniques across the subjects. In addition, we anticipate implementing a new English Language Arts program that meets the needs of our many English Language Learners.

St. Peter's is grateful for our many partners who support our mission in delivering a quality Catholic education to our students:

- The BASIC Fund which provides much-needed tuition assistance for over half of our student body every year;
- Our full-time Mercy Corps volunteer, who helps both in the classroom and with school church ceremonies;
- University of San Francisco graduate students who assist in classrooms and undergraduate students who tutor students virtually;
- Our Title I funded Reading and Math tutor from Catapult and School Counselors-in-Training from the Center for Child and Family Development;
- and Catholic Youth Organization team sports, starting with boys' soccer and girls' volleyball seasons, with the volunteer services of St. Peter's coaches.

Such partnerships allow us to build a school community that nurtures the whole child--academically, socially, emotionally, spiritually, and physically.

Our most recent St. Peter's graduates--the Class of 2021--showed us that their school community has left a

lasting, positive impact on their growth and development. The mural they designed and painted illustrates their love for their Catholic faith, the Sisters of Mercy, the St. Peter's Aztec spirit, and their "open hearts and open minds." We are proud of their accomplishments here at St. Peter's School, especially as they endured their 8th-grade year of hybrid learning, and we can't wait to see where their high school journey will take them!



Because of community support like yours, St. Peter's can maintain affordable tuition for our families and provide such experiences--like creating an original mural--here at St. Peter's.

This year, fundraising will continue for our fire safety system upgrade. We also seek additional gifts for our 7th graders to attend CYO/Caritas Environmental Camp--an experience that former students have identified as one of their favorite memories with their classmates.

The pandemic presented St. Peter's with many challenges, and we greatly appreciate all the supportive phone calls, prayers, and donations we received. Within and beyond our doors, the St. Peter's school community contributes to the long-lasting spirit that has carried us through difficult times. We are deeply grateful for YOU--our community--and for new and continued partnerships to keep St. Peter's School moving forward!

In Solidarity,

Sandra Jimenez, Principal

WE WELCOME OUR NEW TEACHER AND MERCY VOLUNTEER



Christina Mincin

A San Francisco native, Christina Mincin grew up in Visitacion Valley, attending St. Elizabeth's for elementary school and Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory for high school.

After receiving her bachelor's degree from UC Davis, she began her teaching journey as an

instructor at Caritas Creek Environmental Camp and the San Francisco Zoo. Later she taught at Notre Dame De Victoires and St. Cecilia elementary schools. She joined St. Peter's this fall as the first grade teacher, and St. Peter's School is happy that she is now part of the school community!

Currently Christina is pursuing her Master of Arts in Teaching Reading at the University of San Francisco. She is passionate about maximizing literacy development for all students and embraces Culturally Responsive Teaching.

"I feel blessed to be a part of such a beautiful community of families, children and teaching colleagues. My first graders are so eager to learn and so sensitive. I have to stay mindful that their only experience of school has been as kindergarteners during the pandemic."

Alivia Schmidt-Sanders



Alivia came to the Mercy Volunteer Program from Viterbo University in La Crosse, Wisconsin, where she majored in Music Education and Spanish Education. She completed her student teaching and licensure in May 2021.

Alivia had previously traveled to McAllen, Texas for a Franciscan Sisters service trip. The experience of connecting with children and families crossing the border for safety and opportunities impressed Alivia greatly. When she saw the Mercy Corps service opportunity at St. Peter's School, she knew this was the assignment she wanted to have.

St. Peter's is grateful for Alivia and the many hats she is willing to wear -- assisting in middle school science and 1st grade classes, supervising recess, staffing the office, and helping organize CYO sports and weekly school Masses. Her ability to converse easily with Spanish-speaking parents and her willingness to guide students in song at Mass is a blessing. One of her plans is to revitalize the school student choir.

Alivia's placement at St. Peter's is made possible by donations organized by Sister Judy Carle RSM, from several friends and members of the Sisters of Mercy community.

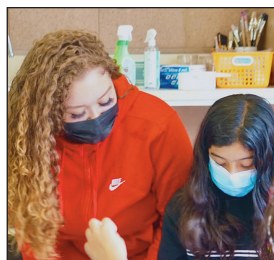
ALUMNI IN THE COMMUNITY



Jesus



Catherine



Rosemary

More Alumni Return for "Summer Together"

Our after-school and summer programs provider--Buena Vista Children's Center--was selected for San Francisco's "Summer Together," an initiative which placed 2500 children city-wide in summer enrichment programs. More than 100 children from St. Peter's and neighboring public schools enjoyed 9 weeks of art, academic tutoring, music, dance, and fun. Five graduates joined co-director Judy Perez Diaz '84 and staff members Luis Delgado '12 and Joanna Hernandez '15, in providing a summer to remember, including Delisa Aguilar '19, Catherine Cabrera '17, Oscar Castaneda '19, Rosemary Johnson '17, and Jesus Sicarios '06.

If you are interested in joining BVCC's team, they are hiring after-school teachers. Contact judy.bvcc@gmail.com.

FUN FACTS . . .

More than ever, St Peter's School is a magnet for students beyond the parish:

- Alameda and Contra Costa Counties - 4%
- San Mateo County - 15%
- San Francisco - 81%
- 41% from the Mission
- 40% from Visitacion Valley and Bayview Hunters Point, where area schools at St. Paul of the Shipwreck, St. Elizabeth's and All Hallows parishes have closed.

Volunteer with longest history with St. Peter's:



Sister Lucy Calvillo, Class of 1956

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Mission Statement

Open Hearts, Open Minds

St. Peter's Catholic School community nurtures the whole child to develop a lifelong passion for learning and to live out the Works of Mercy.

Please join us for the Annual Memorial and Alumni Mass, Sunday, November 14th at 2:30 pm.



St. Peter's Church will broadcast our annual Mass live online on Facebook and YouTube. To join the virtual mass, visit the parish website at <https://www.missionparishes.com/> and click on the icon on the right you want to use. If you prefer to attend in person, please make a reservation with jvela@sanpedro.org. Unfortunately, due to continued COVID-19 restrictions, we are unable to host a reception.

Our celebrant will be Father John T. Mitchell, S.J. who attended St. Peter's Elementary School from 1946-1951. Fr. John serves on the St. Peter's School Consultative Board and is the Superior of the St. Ignatius School Jesuit Community.

During Mass, St. Peter's also will give recognition to the Classes of 1971, 1996, and 2006, who are all celebrating their Reunion years.

At this time of year, many of you make a gift to St. Peter's Memorial Fund in honor of your loved ones who have passed away. This Fund provides for special classroom needs. In 2019 Chromebooks were purchased for online curricula, and in 2020 special blackout shades were purchased to enable students and teachers to view screens for academic lessons and livestream school Masses.



St. Peter's Memorial Fund

Your contribution to this fund acts as a lasting tribute to those you cherish and benefits all of our students. Your loved ones will be remembered in the daily prayers of the students of St. Peter's and the Sisters of Mercy and will receive a beautiful card acknowledging the gift. A Mass is offered for your loved ones each November.

ST. PETER'S MEMORIAL FUND

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