



CSJ Educational Network Advisory Board

One of the key components to the success of the Educational Network is the enthusiastic participation, necessary support, and good counsel of the Advisory Board. The Board provides great insight and opinion to the Director and staff as they plan and execute programs for the school communities. They meet four times a year at St. Joseph Center and engage in discussions and in-depth planning for the future successes of the Network. Similar to a think tank, the group analyzes ideas and possibilities that benefit the administrators, teachers, students and families that the Network serves. Currently, the Board consists of 14 members; 2 sisters of St. Joseph of Orange, 2 clergy members and 10 lay leaders in Pre-K-12 Catholic education, academia, and healthcare across California.

Dia de los Muertos

Our Lady of Guadalupe School, La Habra



The School Madrinas, Our Lady of Guadalupe's group of dedicated parents, gather every year to create a beautiful altar in which the whole school participates in decorating. This year every student received a page to color of a calavera, Spanish for skull. Students were asked to bring pictures of their loved ones who passed away, to hang the photos over the altar. OLG has carried on this tradition for 4 years now, which takes place during National Hispanic Heritage Month.

Veterans Day Mass and Assembly ***St. Cecilia School, Tustin***

St. Cecilia School celebrated Veterans Day with a Mass and an assembly. The Tustin Young Marines opened the assembly with the presentation of colors. The military families at the school were given a single yellow rose and the choir sang "God Bless America." The assembly concluded with a flag-folding ceremony.



St. Irenaeus Takes Part in #GivingTuesday ***St. Irenaeus Parish School, Cypress***

This is the second year St. Irenaeus Parish School has taken part in #GivingTuesday, a global day of giving. The #GivingTuesday objective is to help transform how people think, talk, and participate in giving. St. I. Parish School planned two stewardship projects in November. The first was working with the Surfrider Foundation to clean-up Huntington City Beach on Saturday, November 17.

The second project was a recycling drive. Students and parishioners brought in aluminum cans and plastic bottles. Proceeds will go towards the Presentation Sisters Retirement Fund in memory of Sister Rita O'Connell who passed away in late October. St. Irenaeus plans to continue the spirit of #GivingTuesday throughout the school year with more stewardship projects.



Red Ribbon Week

St. Rita's School, San Diego

St. Rita's students celebrated being drug free with fun themes and visits from first responders. Themes included:

"Travel Drug Free" - *dress like a tourist*

"Be a Jean-ious, Be Drug Free" - *donate \$1 for Missionary Childhood Association and wear blue jeans*

"Keep the World Drug Free" - *United Nations/Multicultural Day - wear traditional clothing and share food*

"Drugs Make You Crazy" - *wear crazy red clothes, Jump for the Heart Assembly*

"Shade Out Drugs" - *wear sunglasses*

"Your Choices are the Key to Your Dreams" - *wear pajamas*

"Be on a Drug Free Team!" - *wear favorite sports gear*

"Say 'Boo' to Drugs" - *wear costumes to school, Halloween Carnival*

