



Why I Serve

CSJ Educational Network Advisory Board

I serve because I am blessed to be a product of the Sisters of St. Joseph at St. Bernard's in Eureka. I serve because I knew in second grade that I wanted to teach and be like the Sisters of St. Joseph. I serve because I know the power of unity and reconciliation and what empathy and love can do for any school community.

– by Paul Shanahan

On Campus and Ready to Learn

St. Charles School, San Diego

Students and faculty gathered on the field for a schoolwide photo. Everyone was photographed masked up but were still full of smiles and excited for the new school year.



Parent and Prayer Night

St. Cecilia School, Tustin

St. Cecilia students celebrated with their parents at Parent & Prayer Night. The event started with Mass presided by Father Michael followed by dinner. Teachers helped serve the food to the parents and St. Cecilia school community.



Our Lady of the Rosary

St. Anne School, Santa Ana

On October 7th, the St. Anne school community celebrated Our Lady of the Rosary. The school's prayer group, Our Lady Queen of the Angels, donated handmade rosaries for every student in the school. Students prayed at least one decade of the Rosary together.



Free Dress Fundraiser *St Joseph School, Santa Ana*

In response to the oil spill off the coast of Orange County, St. Joseph's Student Council held a free dress fundraiser to support local organizations contributing to the efforts. The school raised over \$500 to donate to the Pacific Marine Mammal Center and the Wetlands & Wildlife Care Center. The students did their part to be good stewards of the earth and of God's creations.



A Day in the Life of a Nurse *Nativity Prep Academy, San Diego*

For more than a decade, Nativity Prep Academy has partnered with USD's Hahn School of Nursing and Health Science. USD's nursing students not only serve as professional role models for the students, but they also assist staff with medical tasks.



Day of the Dead - Día de los Muertos *CSJ Educational Network, Orange*

The Network staff celebrated the Latin American holiday, Día de los Muertos. From October 31 to November 2, families welcome back the souls of their deceased relatives for a brief reunion with food, drink, and celebration. In honor of the holiday, an ofrenda (altar) was set up by Sr. Susan Trezek. The ofrenda is the central component of any Day of the Dead celebration and one of the holiday's most recognized symbols. Family members bring pictures of the deceased and items to the ofrenda that will help them along their journey. For more information: <https://www.smithsonianmag.com/travel/meaning-behind-six-objects-dia-de-los-muertos-altars-180973442/>

October Respect Life Baby Shower *St. Irenaeus School, Cypress*

During the month of October, 8th grade students at St. Irenaeus teamed up with the Respect Life Ministry to collect items for babies and mothers in the local pregnancy shelters. They encouraged students throughout the school to donate diapers, wipes, blankets, clothes, and other baby items, as well as robes, slippers, and maternity clothing for the mothers. All donated items are being sent to Precious Life Shelter, Expectant Mothers Outreach, and Los Angeles Pregnancy Services.

