



Viking Voice

St. Catherine of Siena, A Lumen Christi Academy



UPCOMING DATES

10/19: Viking Run pledge
Launches
10/22: No School *Teacher
P.D.*
10/23 Bocce Ball Tournament
10/24: Trunk or Treat-
downtown Martinez (still
accepting candy donations)
10/27: Chipotle Dine and
Donate

PARENT [SURVEY LINK](#)
[HERE.](#)

[PARENT WEBSITE](#)

Saint Catherine of Siena School answers the call to nurture each child – spirit, mind and body – in a safe, caring environment by providing **Christ-centered, challenging curriculum** preparing each child for a future as people of **faith, service, respect, and responsibility.**

PRINCIPAL UPDATE

Dear St. Catherine of Siena Families,

Thank you for the families who have shared their input on the first of several surveys to help us prepare for our accreditation: *Improving Student Learning*. Data from all shareholders are a critical piece to our writing as we focus on areas of Catholic Identity/Social-Emotional Growth, Academic Excellence, and Resource Management.

We will be sending out another survey attached to this email from the Diocese of Oakland. It is a survey to discern needs and desires for all parishes, including St. Catherine of Siena Parish. The school is an important ministry of the parish.

Lastly, the Diocese/LCA is working on providing us with temporary heating during this winter. We currently have one unit in Kindergarten to pilot and it provides enough heating in that large room.

Today is the launch of our Viking Run/Turkey Trot-please visit our parent website more information. Go Vikings!

Blessings,
Jessica Griswold

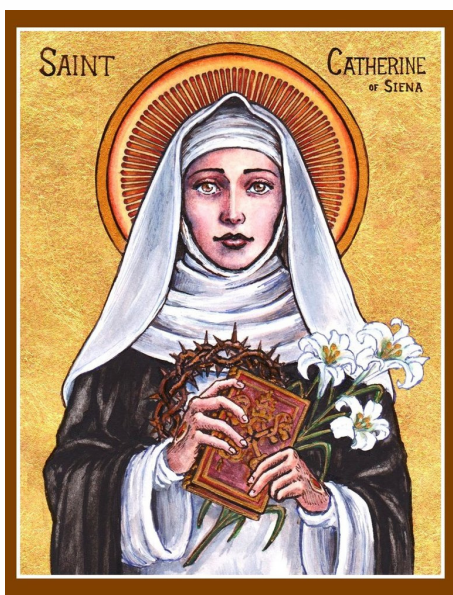
FAITH

MARK 10:46-52

JESUS RESTORES SIGHT TO THE BLIND MAN, BARTIMAEUS

Today's Gospel offers us a powerful example of faith and persistence in prayer. Those around him rebuked Bartimaeus for his efforts to attract Jesus' attention. When silenced by the crowd, however, Bartimaeus called out all the more. He is persistent and bold in his confidence that Jesus will show mercy on him and do what he asks. His persistence and great confidence that Jesus would help him reminds us of the confidence with which our children bring to us their needs. In their faith and trust we can find an example of the attitude with which we might approach God in prayer.

St. Catherine of Siena, *Pray for us*



- St. Catherine of Siena School Families
- Alumni of St. Catherine of Siena School
- Catholic Education Leaders

COVID UPDATES

- Please review the safety report, revisions will be added as things are updated
- Daily Screening will be emailed daily
- Please stay home if your child feels ill- let's stay healthy this year!
- We are entering the cold and flu season, please be mindful of hand washing, mask wearing and staying home if you feel ill.

HALLOWEEN GUIDELINES

Please be mindful and respectful in Christian manner when choosing costumes during the school day.

- No blood or gore
- No weapons or accessories
- School Free Dress applies (appropriate skirt length, no midriffs, no bare shoulders, or low necklines)
- If in doubt, please bring a picture for approval to the the school office

HALLOWEEN FEST

This year, students will celebrate Halloween with their buddies during school hours. Students will go from booth to booth (sponsored by the room parent) to play games and activities.

At 11:15, students will meet at the upper yard to parade through Main Street and back to campus. Parents are welcome to join. We will have regular carline at noon.

UNIFORM REMINDERS

- St. Catherine Logo Shirt
- Sweatshirt on Mass Days
- P.E Logo shorts (or sweat pants) with P.E Logo Shirt only
- Shirts to be tucked in to maintain neatness and dress code.
- Solid shoes (blue, gray, black, or white)
- Belt Needed
- SKIRT, JUMPER, SKORT (BANCROFT ONLY)
- NO LEGGINGS, Auction Shirt, previous Viking Run, lights on shoes, colored socks