

Resurrection Academy Newsletter

February 2021

"Where Children Love to Learn and Learn to be Loving"



Celebrating almost 60 years of Catholic Education

It's time to celebrate! Through many trials and triumphs Resurrection Academy is preparing to celebrate its 60th milestone year of service to the Fontana Community.

Resurrection Academy is a preschool through eighth grade Catholic school. Located at 17434 Miller Ave., Fontana, Ca. A ministry of

St. John XXIII Catholic Community Inc.

Resurrection Academy opened its doors in 1961. A four room building staffed by the Daughters of Divine Charity, founded and served by the Congregation of Resurrection priests. Through the years, we experienced periods of both growth and decline always striving to fulfill our mission. In 1964, a second structure was added to meet the needs of an increased enrollment. Additional grades were added each year until finally in 1966, our eighth grade class was established. Then, in 1980, grades 7 and 8 were discontinued due to low enrollment. Five years later, a need for a preschool program became apparent and so our preschool was opened and became an integral part of the school program. In 1994, a middle school building was erected to house grades six through eight. In 2003, through capital improvement grants of fifty thousand dollars from the Children and Families Commission of San Bernardino; twenty thousand dollars from San Manuel Band of Indians, and other monetary contributions from Resurrection Catholic Church, our preschool was expanded to accommodate 30 children. In the 2005-2006 school year, portables were used to expand our growing preschool to forty five students. In the 2006-2007 school year, portable classrooms were added for use as computer and science labs.



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"Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." Matthew 5:16

In 2015, the John and Dorothy Shea Foundation gifted our school with an extensive refurbishment of the interior and exterior of all the classrooms and offices. In 2017, through many years of fundraisers, the school was able to install a much needed lunch shade area for the elementary and middle schools.

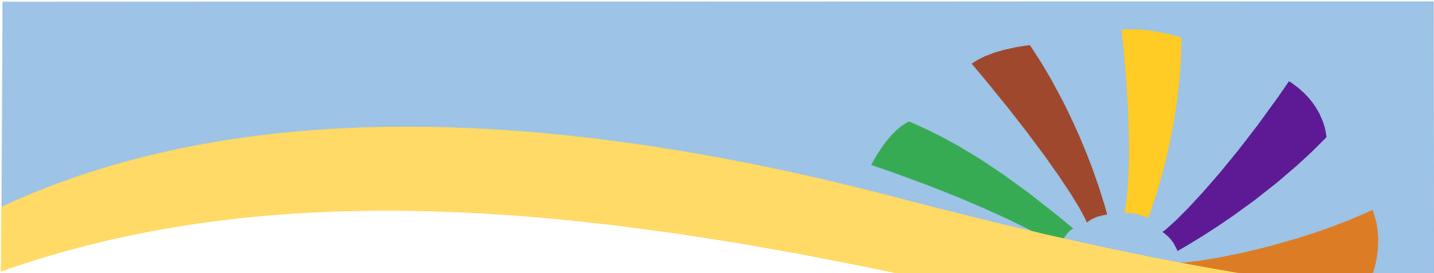


Since opening its doors, Resurrection Academy was served by religious nuns. However, in June of 1995, we bade farewell to Sr. Eleanor Cyr and Sr. Joan Holland, principal and vice-principal respectively, the last of the religious sisters that served our school. Presently, Resurrection Academy is served by all lay teachers and staff. The laity of Resurrection Academy has adopted the charisms of our founders: the Congregation of Resurrection priests and the Congregation of the Daughters of Divine Charity. The Congregation of Resurrection Priests was founded on the charism of giving witness to the Paschal Mystery. They call others, especially youth and family, to communities to the Risen Christ in which faith, hope, and love radiate as a sign of union with Christ and his mother Mary in the Church. The Congregation of the Daughters of Divine Charity was founded on the charism of Christian Faith. This vision grew into helping women in large cities, schools, and small country classrooms. With their strong living faith and prayer, they live their vows in simplicity and in joyous service to the people of God. This experience of God's love enables them to bring justice, peace, and joy to those they serve through their apostolate of prayer, perseverance in suffering, active participation in the local church, fidelity, and obedience to the Universal Church. Resurrection Academy lives this charism through its focus on service to others within our community, across the country, and even other nations.

Throughout the years, our enrollment has experienced its share of ups and downs due to numerous reasons such as changing demographics, economic downturn, and the COVID-19 pandemic. Despite the disruptions and challenges Resurrection Academy has remained steadfast as a beacon of hope to the children and families that it serves.



Resurrection Academy provides and delivers a full, well rounded program for our students. Despite the current onsite school closure due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We continue to deliver our program virtually providing education, stability and religious experience to our students.



It is a blessing and an asset to be a parish school of St. John XXIII Catholic Community of Rialto and Fontana. Our pastor, Fr. Cletus Imo, and two associate priests minister to the school by celebrating weekly virtual and outdoor Masses, Holy Day of Obligation Masses, hearing of confessions, administering the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion, presiding over special religious celebration, visiting classrooms, and giving retreats to parents, staff, and students.

Resurrection Academy is grateful to all the religious nuns and priests who have served in our school and parish community through the years. It is through their commitment, dedication, and hard work that our school is in existence today. Furthermore, we give thanks to those who have given their time, talent and treasures when the school was in critical need of financial assistance and building refurbishments. We are appreciative of all who, in some way other the other, fought hard to keep the school growing and thriving as it continues to serve our diverse school community.

As Resurrection Academy celebrates  sixty years of providing quality Catholic education in August 2021, we look back at our many blessings and move forward to answer the call of service in the Catholic education of the young. Resurrection academy is a testament to those who came before us and we step to the future trusting in God's divine grace and providence.

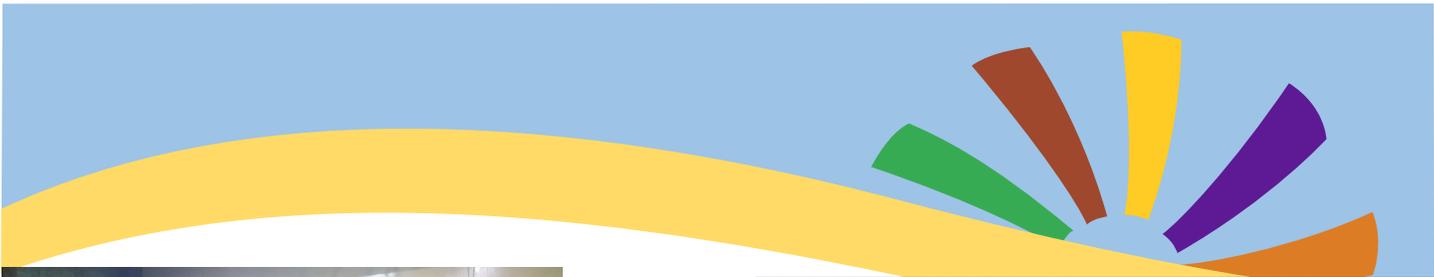
Today, Resurrection Academy has an enrollment of 110 students and continues to pride itself on graduating students who are Lifelong Learners, Creative Critical Thinkers, Effective Communicators, and Responsible Catholic Christian Citizens.



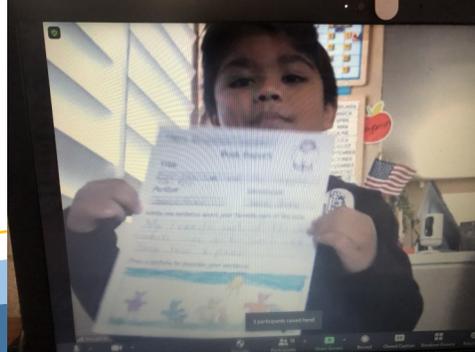
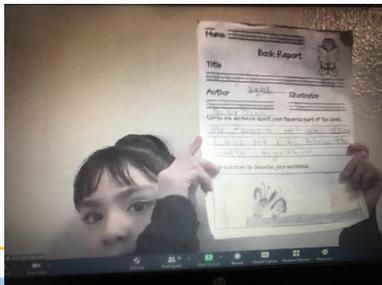
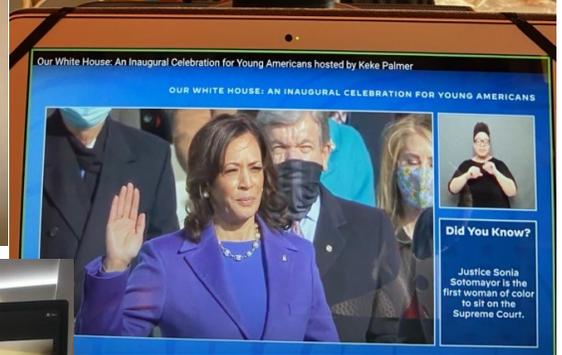
“The fruit of silence is prayer. The fruit of prayer is faith. The fruit of faith is love. The fruit of love is service. The fruit of service is peace.” St. Mother Teresa

Resurrection Academy Through the Years





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Dates to Remember

Sunday January 31st: Celebrating your parish

Mass @ 9:00 am (weather permitting) Wear uniform

Monday February 1st: Celebrating Community

“Super Hero Day” Collect blankets, and non perishable foods for the St. John XXIII food pantry

Tuesday February 2nd: Celebrating the Student

“Favorite Book Character Day”

Student accomplishments

Wednesday February 3rd: Celebrating the Nation

Country Western Day / each class is assigned something different today. *

Thursday February 4th: Celebrating Vocations

Saints Day: Thank your priests today for all they do.

Friday February 5th: Celebrating Faculty, Staff and Volunteers/ Red, White and Blue Day

*****Drive through goodie bag pick up*** After Mass**

Saturday February 6th: Celebrating Family

Take a family picture and share with us so we can post it on our family bulleting board

****Feeding the homeless****



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Wednesday February 10th: School Board Meeting @ 3:00 pm

Rosary 6:30 pm

Thursday February 11th: Valentine Class Celebrations (please communicate with your teachers)

Friday February 12th: No School! Teacher In-Service

*****Preschool will be open*****

Monday February 15th: No School! President's Day (preschool closed)

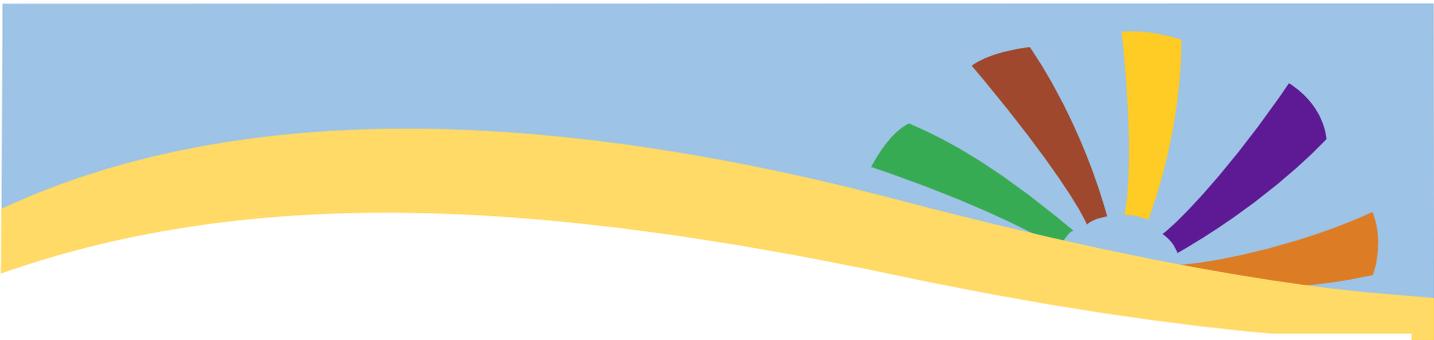
Wednesday February 17th: Ash Wednesday Mass @ 9:00 am

Thursday February 18th: Stations of the Cross @ 6:30 pm online

Friday February 19th: Virtual class today! Unless your teacher has already made arrangements to attend Religious Congress

Monday February 22nd through February 26th: Black History Celebration

“I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall be always in my mouth. My soul will glory in the Lord; let the poor hear and be glad. Magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.” Psalm 34: 2-4



Preschool/Daycare is physically open for ages 2 to 5

Hours are from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm



Please give us a call if you have a little one that you would like to start.

We will be open year round. Fees will be weekly



Issac Gutierrez February 4th

Rich Wiggins February 14th

Luc Duarnleau February 15th

Omar Carranza February 21st

Alyssa Suarez February 24th

Leah Curtis February 27th

Miranda Forero February 28th

Audriana Garcia February 28th

Prayer is important. To pray with the prayers that we all earned as children, but also to pray in our own words. To ask the Lord: "Lord, help me, give me counsel, what must I do now? And through prayer we make space so that the spirit may come and help us in that moment, that he may counsel us on what we all must do." Pope Francis, General audience, May 7, 2014