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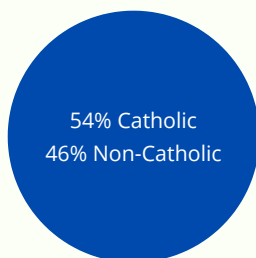
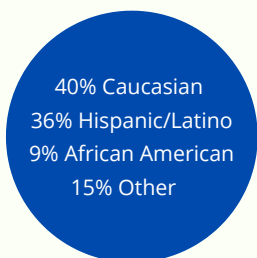
Hello from Mary Queen of Peace School! We hope you and your family are happy and have remained healthy during this most challenging year. With excitement, we share with you how we are doing so far!

Great news to begin with --- Together, with help from our Back to School Task Force, we successfully opened our doors to in-person learning on September 8th with a little over 300 students in grades Pre-school through 8th grade. Of course, we did allow families the option of a distance learning virtual option in which over 75 students initially signed up for. Necessary safety precautions, including the purchase of PPE, desk shields, infrared thermometers and an abundance of hand sanitizer were purchased. We also continue to get donations to keep our stock pile high. And while we knew it was inevitable, our very first positive Covid-19 case did not appear until December. Since then we've had a few other positive reports. At that time, we do end up quarantining the classrooms for a 10-day period. Students move to online learning and return when all is clear. We are very pleased with the patience, understanding and flexibility of everyone, especially when decisions are made very quickly.

Mentioned earlier was the purchase of appropriate safety measures like PPE, but in addition, we have also moved closer to ensuring that our school be 1:1 technology ready. Our goal is to have every student have access to either a Chromebook or iPad if the need for a closure were to happen. Currently, we are only a few short devices away from this goal. We are prepared!

This year, we decided to switch up our fundraising a little bit. New this year was Gourmet Popcorn. Delicious flavors such as caramel and chocolate were offered. Students received prizes, including an ice cream truck visit in our back parking lot, for selling certain amounts. It was great fun! Coming up in January, our Malley's Candy Bar sale will kick off. This is always the biggest fundraiser of the year. We appreciate all those who participate and support our school.

At the beginning of each year, data is collected regarding our student population. Some of the results are shared with you below: As of October 2020:



Finally, as we prepare for our annual marketing campaign for enrollment next year, please make sure to check out our school Facebook page and website for awesome virtual tours and other videos featuring our students and teachers.

God Bless,
Mrs. Jessica Robertson
Principal