



St. John the Baptist
Catholic School

December 13, 2018

St. John the Baptist Catholic School 2019/20 and Beyond

Dear Parents and Guardians:

I am very aware that many of you have wondered whether St. John's would continue beyond the current school year. I am excited to confirm our beloved **St. John the Baptist Catholic School will remain open** for the foreseeable future. In fact, we will open registration to existing families for 2019/20 by mid-January, prior to the start of Catholic Schools Week. This information was announced recently to faculty and staff, whose enthusiasm for our school and students continues to impress me.

Our students and their families are the key to the future of St. John's. As you have experienced, the spirit of St. John the Baptist that is infused inside our walls helps shape the lives of children to recognize they are from God, who made us and loves us, and commands two primary things of us: to love Him in return, and to love each other.

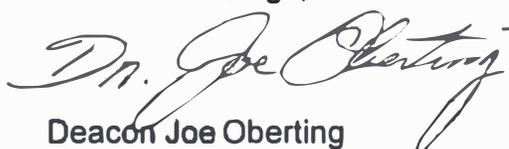
The entire Napa community notices a common trait in students that have come from St. John's – they are respectful. And more – our children grow into model Christian citizens who lift others up! Our school is a tight-knit, cohesive community where parents, students, and staff work together to create a safe, inspiring, and academically challenging environment.

Our future is made possible by the commitment of you families and our committed and courageous teachers and staff. I have been asked by Father Mora to remain Principal and we are determining a plan to reduce, and eventually eliminate, the financial subsidy from the parish. I have been deeply impressed and heartened by our wonderful teachers, aides, and staff, and by your passion in supporting our fundraising and promotional efforts. I am pursuing partnerships to assist us in increasing enrollment, finding faithful benefactors, and strengthening our relationship with community partners, including Justin-Siena High School, whom we serve as a feeder school for ongoing Catholic education after graduation from St. John the Baptist.

In addition, our parish and school are intrinsically linked. Please join me in thanking Father Ismael Mora and the parish for essential financial support. We strive to maintain our link in every way. Our St. John the Baptist Parish is a beacon to our School and we provide youthful exuberance in a nurturing environment – a shining example of God's love – to our parish!

All of you and your families remain in my daily prayers. Please keep St. John the Baptist Catholic School and Parish in *your* prayers.

Sincere Blessings,



Deacon Joe Oberting