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Dear St. Agnes Families,

May is a beautiful month in the life of our Church and school. It is traditionally dedicated to Our Blessed Mother Mary, a time when we honor her love, faith, and obedience to God. As we crown Mary and reflect on her example, we are reminded to live with humility, compassion, and grace. May is also a month of celebration, transitions, and thanksgiving as we begin to close the chapter on the 2024-2025 school year.

I would like to take a moment to thank and recognize several faculty and staff members who will not be returning next year. We are grateful for the love and service they have shared with our school community:

- Troy Boyer, PE Teacher and Athletic Director relocating
- Gabriella Carballo, Middle School Science Teacher pursuing personal goals
- Br. Peter Michael Craig, SCTJM, Elementary Religion Teacher reassignment by Pierced Hearts
- Cristina Delamar. Middle School; Reading Teacher pursing other opportunities
- Pilar Delgado, Teacher Assistant pursuing personal goals
- Jose Gonzalez, Spanish Teacher curriculum adjustments
- Maria Noguera, Teacher Assistant relocating

We pray for their continued success and blessings in the next chapter of their journeys.

Each May, we joyfully celebrate one of our most cherished traditions at St. Agnes Muffins with Moms. This special morning is an opportunity to gather in community and celebrate the incredible love and presence of the mothers, grandmothers, and mother figures in our lives. While not directly tied to the crowning of Mary, this event beautifully echoes the nurturing, selfless spirit of Our Blessed Mother, who lovingly watched over Jesus and continues to guide us in faith. We look forward to honoring you with a sweet start to the day on Thursday, May 9. Please keep an eye on the Weekly MMM for more details!

During the week of May 5–9, we celebrate our incredible teachers, assistants, and staff during Teacher Appreciation Week! We hear our amazing parents are planning a "magical tour around the world" to honor the many ways our faculty goes above and beyond every day. Like Mary, our educators serve with a loving heart and steadfast devotion, guiding our students academically, emotionally, and spiritually. Let us lift them up in gratitude and prayer for all they do to form our children in faith and wisdom.

We are thrilled to celebrate our second graders as they receive their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 17. This is a sacred and joyful moment in their spiritual lives, and we are so proud of the faith formation they have received. May the Eucharist always be their source of strength and peace.

We also look forward to welcoming our beloved grandparents and special guests for Grandparents' Mass on Friday, May 16. Grandparents are the keepers of tradition, faith, and unconditional love. We are honored to celebrate them and all they mean to our families.

This summer, our campus will be active with several improvement projects, including:

- Middle School and Elementary School roofs
- Artificial turf placement on the field
- Renovation of the second-floor elementary bathrooms
- Renovation of the main office bathroom
- Continued planning and cost analysis for upgraded access control door lock systems

Summer assignments will be sent home during the last week of school. We are also offering a Summer Study Skills Class, which includes lessons on organization and time management, support with summer reading, and work on math packets. Please see the attached flyer for full details.

Students who finish the academic year with a final course average of 59 or below (F) in ELA, Reading, Math, Science, Social Studies, or Religion will be required to attend summer school at St. Agnes for three weeks. Asynchronous (online) coursework will not be permitted. Students who do not complete this remediation will not be eligible to return for the 2025-2026 school year. Final grades are due June 4, and families will be notified shortly after if summer school is required. Please see the attached flyer for dates and costs.

As a reminder, the first day of school for the new academic year is Tuesday, August 12 for students in PK3 through Grade 8, and Monday, August 18 for PK2. Student must be present to retain slot.

May the Blessed Mother watch over you and your families always.

God Bless,

Mrs. Luisa Serratore Principal