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September 2, 2020

St. Cecilia Community:

I want to thank everyone for their support of Father Mario over the past few days. The outpouring of prayers and well wishes for him again shows the closeness of our community. His situation like the pandemic we are experiencing has a way of putting things in perspective.

I do not have any updates on Father Mario at this time. He is still recovering in the hospital. As previously mentioned, official updates will be sent out through the parish office.

Father Dan Vogelpohl will be our temporary priest in serving the school and saying our daily Masses. Father Vogelpohl is a retired priest who spent many years at Blessed Sacrament among other places. We are grateful for his help.

Thank you for your continued cooperation in improving our new processes. Arrival seems to be improving each day including the issue with merging in the lower lot. Thank you for working together to keep everyone safe during this time. Additionally, thank you for communicating with us from home during possible illnesses. The more we communicate, the safer we will all be.

A final reminder that our first scheduled NTI day is on Friday. If you would like a Chromebook to go home with your child, you must request it by visiting this link:

[NTI Chromebook Request](#)

If you do not complete this, a Chromebook will not be sent home with your child.

Please take note of a few upcoming events below including the date of the first SCPTO meeting, picture day with regular school uniforms (no gym clothes), and safety week.

As always, thank you for your support. Keep those prayers coming for Father Mario!

*God Bless!*

Gratefully,  
Kenny Collopy - Principal

**Quote of the Week:**

*"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." - Matthew 5:16*

**Reminders:**

- Today was the last day to order your spirit wear shirt BUT we'll give you one more day! Tomorrow is the absolute last day.
- Grades 3-8 are required to have a gym uniform this year. It can be ordered at: [PE Uniform Link](#)



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**School Improvement Updates:**

- Our Academic Enhancement program is being developed by Ms. Sumpter to oversee student ALP, Support Plans, and more!

**Important Upcoming Dates:**

- September 4 - First NTI Day - No students at school
- September 7 - NO SCHOOL - Labor Day
- September 9 - Picture Day - Students are to wear regular school uniforms on this day - NO GYM CLOTHES. A spring picture day will be scheduled for out of uniform pictures.
- September 14-18 - Safety Week
- September 10 - 6:30pm - SCPTO Meeting - to be held virtually. Details to follow.

**Extra-curriculars & More:**

- Student Government and elections will be a focus in the month of September.

**St. Cecilia Community Information & Opportunities**

- Thank you for your support of the 2020 Labor Day Grand Raffle Ticket Contest! Winners will be announced on September 8th.

**Extended Community Information & Opportunities**

- Independence Cub Scout Pack 808 is celebrating our 60th year teaching kids how to be good citizens in the community! We are a co-ed Cub Scout Pack who is open to boys and girls in Kindergarten through 5th Grades! Our Pack is divided into smaller groups called Dens and we have openings in all our Dens for newcomers. If you know someone, or if you want to learn more about this great opportunity, please reach out to [independencepack808@gmail.com](mailto:independencepack808@gmail.com) for more information. We look forward to another great year of Scouting!