

Dear St. Rose Parents,

As we are all experiencing, the transition to distance learning is complicated for students, parents, and teachers. It requires greater effort from us all. And it won't totally fill the void left in the wake of school closure.

Working at full-time jobs, managing your family's health, and facilitating your child's learning at home is truly daunting. Keep in mind that teachers are prioritizing assignments. Some are categorized as enrichment and are optional. With all this in mind, please be kind to yourself. We only ask that you do the best you can.

If your family has encountered financial hardship due to circumstances surround COVID-19, please contact our business manager, Anne Devlin. Her email is [a\\_devlin@sonic.net](mailto:a_devlin@sonic.net). We value each one of our families at St. Rose and will do everything in our power to help you.

In case you missed this information:

### **Work Packet Drop-off and Pick-up**

Starting next Monday parents will have the opportunity to pick up new work packets and drop off completed packets. This will happen every Monday until we are allowed to re-open. We hope this will help you and your child with organization.

### **Centralized Resources on School Website**

You can go to the home page of our website to find links and resources from the individual teachers. Scroll down to the bottom to see Mr. L's science resources. Some are specifically for his 4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students, but there will be other links for children of all ages who love nature and science.

### **Zoom Meetings**

Please help us make these meeting productive by ensuring that your child is ready to learn and free from distraction such as siblings, pets, TV, and food. Late arrivals are disruptive, so please arrive in the Zoom classroom a few minutes early. Although there is free dress, all other classroom rules apply.

Lastly, the St. Rose School community is strong and resilient. We will get through this. During times like these, I rely on the Holy Spirit. This is a great prayer that may help you as well. I pray it every morning on my way to work:

*Come Holy Spirit. Rebuild my energy and renew my heart. Help me look forward to this new day. Enkindle in me the fire of your grace so I may work to transform the world in your image. Amen.*

Sincerely,  
Kathy Ryan

