Dear Community of St. Catherine’s,

Welcome to a new school year at St. Catherine’s Academy! This school year we celebrate our 130th anniversary year. We will have a special celebration on Saturday, March 16, 2019. We hope you will join us. More details will be coming!

You received the information on supporting our 130th by purchasing a brick! It is always a gift to have your names on the entrance to our school!

As we continue the outstanding formation program for our young men—which embraces a deep love for God, excellent academic program, and outstanding leadership program—I renew with you our Mission Statement, Dominican Motto, and Formation Program.

Our Mission Statement:
St. Catherine’s Academy, a Catholic school with a military tradition, builds within young men a foundation for success through a formation program, rooted in the Dominican Charism, which emphasizes faith, leadership, academics, and service.

Dominican Motto:
Laudare, Benedicere, Praedicare
(TO PRAISE, TO BLESS, TO PREACH)

Throughout St. Catherine’s Academy’s 130-year history, the Charism of the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose has been alive in the school community. From 1889 to the present-day, the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose with their lay partners have served as administrators, teachers, and resident-care providers. In order to enhance the Catholic Dominican Identity, as well as improve the spiritual formation of students, staff, and parents, St. Catherine’s Academy celebrates a Formation Program where the emphasis is on the four pillars of the Dominican Order: Prayer, Community, Study, and Ministry/Service.

Blessings keep coming our way with facilities improvements, financial help for the boys and young men at SCA to continue thriving and living as brothers and supporting one another, a beautiful new gathering area in front of our school, an outstanding Robotics class room, an exciting extension to our obstacle course, an awesome new garden dedicated to St. Martin de Porres, and on and on!

Thank you for who you are for St. Catherine’s Academy! Your Dominican Sisters and all of our lay partners extend loving gratitude to you and your families for all of your goodness and shared gifts!

Hope to see you soon! Come visit when you can!

God’s special blessings
With a loving and grateful heart
Yours,

Sister Johnellen Turner, OP

SAVE THE DATE!
St. Catherine’s Academy is excited to begin preparations for our 130th Anniversary, March 16, 2019! Celebration is open to all alumni, family, and friends. Please let us know if you would be interested in a Special Anniversary Brick.
Congratulations to the Class of 2018!

We'll miss you! Best of luck in high school!

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St. Catherine’s Academy was founded in 1889 by the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose. As the first Catholic school in Orange County, St. Catherine’s was originally a co-educational parish school for the children of Anaheim and Fullerton and a boarding academy for girls. However, as the needs of the community changed, St. Catherine’s evolved to meet them. It became an orphanage for boys around the turn of the century. In 1923, the Sisters began to partner with retired military officers to provide structure and positive role models for their now all-male population. Today, St. Catherine’s Academy maintains its distinctive character as a Catholic school with a military tradition—the only such school for elementary-age boys in the country.

We now serve over 160 cadets from all over the Pacific Rim. St. Catherine’s Academy, a Catholic resident/day school for boys in transitional kindergarten through 8th grade, builds within young men a faith-filled foundation for success, rooted in the Dominican Pillars of prayer, study, community, and ministry. On the foundation of these pillars, we along with parents—the primary educators—strive to form well-rounded cadets who are aware of the importance of faith in all aspects of their lives.

Through opportunities for prayer, community worship, and religious instruction, students are taught that prayer is a significant part of everyday life and a means of growing in their personal relationship with God. In the belief that study helps students better understand God’s truth, academics are based on curriculum standards. Gospel values create a foundation for lifelong learning. St. Catherine’s Academy works to recognize the God-given talents of each student. The academic, military, and resident programs teach cadets the importance of community and how to relate to others as leaders and team members who are responsible for the success of one another. The importance and joy of ministry to others is inspired through opportunities for service to the local and global community.
Our Annual Report for 2017/2018

Fiscal 2018 was full of numerous accomplishments and abundant blessings. We are ever grateful to our supportive families, faithful alumni and friends, and amazing donors. Thanks to your generosity, SCA was able to invest in its students, staff, technology, and facilities!

Our Silent Auction and Golf Tournament both surpassed the previous year’s revenue by a total of 71%; a tremendous feat aided by participants and volunteers! The Silent Auction Fund-a-Need proceeds assisted with the purchase of new desks and chairs for our boys in all classrooms. A new funding opportunity at the Golf Tournament generated over $32,000 in scholarship grants for the Mother Pia Backes Underserved Scholarship Program.

Next time you are on our historic campus, please take a moment to visit both our new and modernized spaces. We are sure you will feel the Dominican Charism and a sense of pride for your part in our journey.

Here’s a recap of our many wonderful projects and milestones throughout the year:

- Renovated Library with addition of modern furniture and updated software applications
- Construction of the newly designed Aquinas Think Tank robotics center complete with modular furniture and interactive learning technology
- Installation of air conditioning unit for the Boys Dining Room
- Upgraded sound system in the Zaborowski Social Hall
- New electrical system in the kitchen
- Transition to CulinArt kitchen management focusing on fresh and nutritious student meals
- Assembly of Serenity Garden featuring St. Martin de Porres statue among dedication stones
- Awards totaling $568,215 in tuition assistance to 93 students-in-need

SCA appreciates all you have done and continue to do for our school and students. We look forward to seeing you at our 130th birthday celebration in March 2019.

“Don’t just count your years; make your years count.” —George Meredith

Best regards,

Katherine Borrelli
Chief Financial Officer

Net Operating Profit — $46,533
Prior to Unrealized Gains/Losses
Mother Pia Boys Scholarship

In 1889, Mother Pia founded St. Catherine's Academy with the guiding mission of aiding the young, the poor, and the vulnerable. The Mother Pia Boys Scholarship continues her vision by providing full scholarships to the most at-risk youth in our community.

Working with The Boys & Girls Club of Anaheim, St. Catherine's Academy identifies at-risk youth living in motels, foster care, Section 8 housing, and priority neighborhoods where drug abuse and gang violence are most prevalent. Students are offered full tuition scholarships beginning in the lower grades and full five-day resident scholarships beginning in 4th grade (when SCA's boarding program begins).

As weekday residents, these students can escape the gangs, drug abuse, and other crimes that plague their neighborhoods to focus on school, make lasting friendships, join sports teams, and more—in other words, to just be kids. On weekends, they can return home to spend time with their families who love and care for them so deeply.

To support all or part of a scholarship, please contact Sister Johnellen Turner, OP, at 714-772-1363, president@stcatherinesacademy.org, or fill out and return the form below.

St. Catherine’s Academy is a recognized 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Tax ID Number: 95-1855672.
Greetings and welcome to the 2018–2019 school year!

It is my privilege to serve as the Admissions Director for our school community and I’m excited to share just a few highlights with you:

• Our international program continues to expand and this year we have the pleasure to welcome students from Mexico, China, Vietnam, Ethiopia and Tunga.

• We look forward to our annual admissions trip to Mexico where we will visit cities and host presentations to prospective families.

• There will be two Public Open House events on October 25, 2018 and January 27, 2019.

• Weekend tours are now available! For a list of dates, please check our online calendar.

I always say that the best way to understand what makes St. Catherine’s Academy so unique is to see us in action during a school tour. If you’re interested, please do not hesitate to contact me at admissions@stcatherinesacademy.org.

Best regards,

Deisy Escobedo
Director of Admissions

Student Spotlight

Joaquin is one of 14 cadet recipients of the Mother Pia Boys Scholarship program. In his two-and-a-half years at SCA, he has been able to focus on school and see a path to the successful future he deserves.

Joaquin—9 years old—holds the rank of Corporal and has a position in the school’s band and choir. His mom and siblings have seen a big change in Joaquin’s attitude. They say he’s always happy and have seen his confidence soar. Next year, he will attend 6th grade at SCA and we look forward to his upcoming accomplishments.

SAVE THE DATE

PLEASE JOIN US ON THE FOLLOWING DATES

2018

NOVEMBER 17  Auction and Dinner
DECEMBER 21  Christmas Program and Drill

2019

FEBRUARY 3  Alumni Moms Mass and Luncheon
MARCH 2  Military Ball
MARCH 16  SCA 130th Birthday Anniversary!
APRIL 12  Live Stations of the Cross and Easter Drill
MAY 2  Young Alumni Reunion
MAY 20  Golf Tournament and Dinner
JUNE 14  Graduation and June drill

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St. Catherine’s Hosts Fall Brunch

Our annual brunch on October 7 brought together family, friends, alumni and longtime supporters of St. Catherine’s. Hosted at the newly remodeled, historic Anaheim White House, guests indulged in a three-course meal, intimate setting, and raffle opportunities. All funds raised benefit the cadets of St. Catherine’s Academy.

Auction Funds New Desks and Chairs

Over 250 guest attended March of the Toy Soldiers annual dinner and silent auction on November 18, 2017. Our fund-in-need raised money for new desks and chairs for the whole school. We will host our next event at St. Catherine’s Academy on November 17, 2018.

Military Ball for Graduating Class 2018

St. Catherine’s Military Ball was hosted at the Double Tree Hotel. Our special day recognized the graduating class of 2018 where families and friends celebrated with the cadets. Our special mother-son dancing the waltz was a site to see. Join us next time on March 2, 2019!
SCA Hosts 2nd Annual Moms’ Knights Unite Luncheon

We hosted our 2nd Annual SCA Moms’ Knights Unite Luncheon on April 18. The next one is scheduled for February 3, 2019. SCA will host a Sunday Mass, followed by a light lunch. Contact Alicia at development@stcatherinesacademy.org for your RSVP.

Celebrating Our Kindergarten Class!

We celebrated four boys who graduated from Kindergarten to the 1st grade! Our smaller classroom setting of 6–12 students offers a fun and challenging environment that sets up a love for learning and an enthusiasm for school. Our day students consist of transitional Kindergarten through 8th grade, where today’s young boys become leaders of tomorrow. Give your sons the best—schedule your school tour today. Send e-mail to admissions@stcatherinesacademy.org, visit www.stcatherinesacademy.org, or drop by our Admissions Department.

St. Catherine’s Sports Programs

Our athletic department offers competitive sports programs such as: basketball, flag football, and volleyball. Please visit the school website for all game days, and locations. I believe in and instill four major factors for being successful in our athletic program. These factors are desire, dedication, discipline, and determination to produce a winning program.

Sincerely,
Gregory M. Jones ’76
Athletic Director / P.E. Teacher
St. Catherine’s Academy
Alumni Reunion Attended by Class Years 2000–2017

Our special attendee was Alumni of the Year, Mr. Jim Erickson, class of 1946. We reunited on May 2. Sister Johnellen hosted a Mass followed by a dinner with fun stories and shared memories. Join us for our next Alumni Reunion on May 2, 2019, at 5:30 pm.

Alumni where are YOU now? We want to hear from you! Keep us posted on your high school, college you attended after leaving SCA, your current whereabouts, and milestones. Please submit your updates and photos to: development@stcathersacademy.org

Tickling Those Ivories

Sister Imelda invites you to the next Piano Recital on January 25, 2019, at 1 pm.
IGHTS!

Drill Team Wins First Place!
How cool is this? Our competitive Drill and Color Guard took home some beautiful large trophies at the Katella High School Rookie Drill Competition. Our cadets competed against high schools and earned recognition and respect. SCA is now known throughout the county as #1 for overall unit. Way to Go, Knights!

Raising Funds for Breast Cancer Awareness
October is Breast Cancer Awareness month. St. Catherine’s participates in raising funds for this by selling pink bracelets that say “Pray for a Cure.” Please see Coach Greg for your bracelet purchase. In this photo, our cadets Jonathan Ozkaya, Sebastian Recinos, Dorian Aleman, and Joaquin Nuñez help spread awareness.

St. Catherine’s International Program
Since 1936, we have welcomed international students from all over the world. Our International Boarding School attracts boys who want to learn English and experience life in America. This opportunity is open to those boys in the 4th–8th grade. Please visit our website under “International Section” for further information.
Save Box Tops to Raise Funds for Education

Everyone can participate! Simply look for the logo on the boxes of the items that you buy. It will be on top, bottom, or sides. SCA receives 10 cents for every one. We have raised over $2,300 with your help and support! These funds bought uniforms, school supplies, and tuition assistance. Special thanks to our parent Stacey Miladinovich for coordinating this.

Here is the 2017/18 year-end count of Box Tops:

- TK/Kinder = 193
- 1st & 2nd Grade = 93
- 3rd Grade = 201
- 4th Grade = 166
- 5A Grade = 106
- 5B Grade = 174
- 6th Grade = 121
- 7A Grade = 264
- 7B Grade = 45
- 8A Grade = 275
- 8B Grade = 46
- 8ELL = 85

Celebrate 130 Years!

We celebrate 130 Years on March 19, 2019. Leave your legacy with a special Anniversary Brick.

For comments or inquiries, please contact:
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