

INCARNATION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Saints Families,

Over the past year, Incarnation Catholic School has seen improvements in enrollment, academic performance and attendance. Parents are enthusiastically enrolling their children in our faith-based school, eager to have their children learning in a Christ-centered environment with like-minded individuals. At the same time, we are seeking how to better prepare our students to flourish and excel with their unique gifts and talents. A review of ICS has been made on how to transform the school into one that has a meaningful purpose and vision for a vibrant and joyful future.

Starting in 2023-2024, ICS will begin to transition towards a classical curriculum. We will educate our students in a way that combines Catholic faith with academic excellence and help students become more aware of the transcendent realities of Truth, Beauty and Goodness. The goal is for our classrooms to be filled with students who love to learn, have a sense of wonder, and are self-motivated to apply their knowledge in abstract ways. The curriculum will be content-rich while building on the previous year's knowledge for students to expand their thinking on traditional teachings with an emphasis on the development of Catholic values and teachings.

The faculty at ICS is looking forward to renewing their own love for learning through conferences, professional development, consulting and workshops as they take a deeper dive into the Classical approach to teaching. The foundations of ICS as a Catholic school will not change but the philosophy of how we teach and our curricular choices will be adjusted to the time tested model of classical education. Our expectations for students academically and as disciples of Christ will continue to grow and we are confident that they will meet these high standards of student achievement.

We know that there are many school choices in Sarasota, but we also know that Catholic parents want their children to get the best education possible while aligning it to their Catholic faith. With the support of Fr. Eric, Fr. Belmonte and Bishop Dewane, ICS is ready to begin a new chapter to better prepare the students to pursue excellence while growing in faith, knowledge, and love. There will be many opportunities for discussion, exploration and feedback. Please use this Google Form, Classical at ICS - Google Forms, to share your thoughts and questions, which will be used to guide us all through this transition.

God Bless,

Mrs. Yager