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First Day of School—August 2023

Thank you Sue Clarot for donating Portuguese sweet bread, juice and milk to our students after Mass on the first day of school!!!
Pictured, Father Adrian and Students



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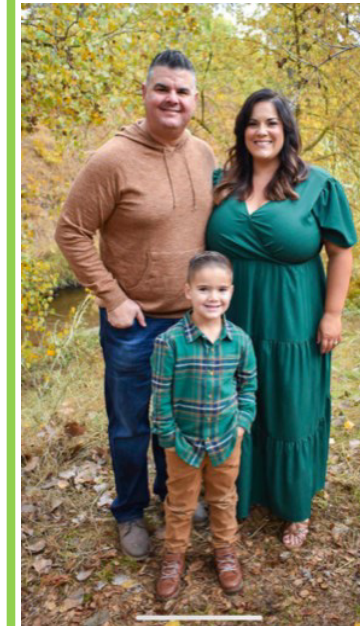
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A Publication for Alumni, Alumni Parents, Friends ,and the Current
Parents of St. Stanislaus Catholic School.



Dear Fr. Silva Foundation Supporters,

It is with great anticipation and excitement that I write you this letter of introduction as the new principal of St. Stanislaus Catholic School. It is truly an honor to serve this school community with amazing students, supportive parents, skilled educators, and generous supporters.

My vocation as an educator began 18 years ago as a substitute teacher in the public school sector. I was soon asked to be an elementary school's "resident sub." This continued work at one school site, led me to assisting in the creation and implementation of an English Language Learner support program. This valuable experience taught me just how determined children can be when striving to attain goals set for them, even under the most difficult of circumstances.

After a few years in public education, I received a recruitment call from a Catholic school, St. Joseph School, in southern California. In that phone call, the Lord reminded me of the beauty of Catholic education. I spent the next 5 years teaching 3rd grade at St. Joseph School, and, through the leadership of Sister Mary and the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, my love for Catholic education, and my personal faith formation grew exponentially. I could have spent the rest of my career at that amazing school, but the Lord had other plans for me. After much prayer and discernment, my husband took a job here, in northern California, and that move brought me to the wonderful St. Stanislaus Catholic School. I have served this community as the 5th grade teacher for the past 8 years. In that time, I have also been blessed to be a mentor teacher, a member of the leadership team, and most recently, assisting Mrs. Hollcraft in Curriculum and Instruction development.

I am fiercely committed to St. Stanislaus's tradition of promoting academic excellence, and fostering the spiritual development of its students. I pray that the Lord works through me in everything that I say and do, and that I can bring to life the presence of God's kingdom here on Earth to the families and students of this community.

I look forward to working with this foundation in serving the community of St. Stanislaus Catholic School. During this transition to principal, I have come to better understand just how crucial the support of the Fr. Silva Foundation is to the success of our school. On behalf of the parents, students, faculty, and staff of St. Stanislaus Catholic School, I thank the Fr. Silva Foundation's board members and all the supporters of the Fr. Silva Foundation. Without your generosity, we would not be able to meet our goals, and we would not be able to dream of the exciting future of St. Stanislaus Catholic School.

In His service,
Amanda Miranda

Rev. Sleevaraj Pasala

My Background

My name is Rev. Sleevaraj Pasala and I come from the Archdiocese of Hyderabad, India. There are four siblings in our family, and my older brother is also a priest, who is serving in Germany.

My Vocation Story

I was an altar boy and used to observe priests. I was inspired by their lives and something interesting happened when I was in 7th grade. The class teacher asked all the students, what we like to become after completing our studies. Surprisingly, my friends answered for me. 'Sleevaraj will become a priest.' After 10th grade, I ended up in the seminary. Now, I have been a priest for 17 years and serving in the Diocese of Stockton for the past 8 years. Currently, I am serving at St Stanislaus Catholic Church in Modesto.

What I Like About St. Stanislaus Catholic Church

What I like about St Stanislaus Catholic Community is that they are compassionate and caring and they value their faith.



Kayla Pacheco

My Background

My name is Kayla Pacheco and I am 33 years old. My husband's name is Danny and we have a daughter named Charlotte who is in Pre-K here at St. Stanislaus.

My Teaching Journey

I received my Bachelors as well as my Multiple Subject Credential at California State University of San Bernardino in 2012. I am going into my 11th year of teaching. I spent nine years in public school where I taught 4th-6th grade. I came to St. Stanislaus for the 22-23 school year as the 4th grade teacher and it was the best decision I've made in my career.

My Exciting News

Beginning this school year, I will be a part of the CASTLE program through Notre Dame University where I will be spending the next two years deepening my faith and learning ways in which I can incorporate it into Mathematics.

I am so thankful to be a part of this community and to work with the families and staff here at St. Stanislaus.



A good school provides a rounded education for the whole person. And a good Catholic school, over and above this, should help all its students to become saints. ~ Pope Benedict XVI



In loving Memory of
Mary Ann Varni
Entered Life July 20, 1938
Entered Eternal Life
June 5, 2023

The Father Silva Foundation would like to pay special tribute to Mary Ann Varni. Mary Ann was a founding board member, a past Father Silva Foundation president, and a loving friend to all who knew and worked with her. She will be greatly missed.

Fr. Silva Foundation Gives Back!

During the 2022-2023 school year, the Father Silva Foundation provided over **\$19,000** in financial assistance to St. Stanislaus Catholic School to assist with security upgrades, including the new security gate placed across the east entrance between the parking lot and the flag pole.

The Foundation is proud of the support from our community and friends for their help in making Catholic Education safe, achievable, and affordable. Thank you all!

Smile for the Camera!



Congratulations St. Stanislaus Catholic School Class of 2023



WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

The support we provide to our school community is only possible through your generous and continued support. Please take some time to visit our website and read about our foundation. You will learn how you can get involved, donate, purchase tickets for fundraising events, and stay up to date with the foundation. We are always excited to communicate with our school families, parishioners, and supporters!

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