

March 10, 2021

Greetings St. Joseph School Community,

Last month, Kathy Lundy announced her resignation from the principal position at St. Joseph Catholic School. We are so grateful for Kathy's leadership throughout this last year. The role of the principal is challenging in ordinary circumstances and this year was unprecedented. Kathy carried out her role with great love for students, families, and staff while maintaining a safe learning environment. She will be missed.

With Kathy leaving we have the challenging role of filling this key leadership role in our school. We are now beginning the process to hire a new principal. I want to offer my gratitude to the search committee for their willingness to serve on this committee:

- Fred Dang, Member (Parishioner, Pastoral Council Member)
- Marc Seymer, Member (Parishioner, Finance Council Member and School Parent)
- Lisa Nevitt, Member (Parishioner, former student at St. Joseph, former parent of St. Joseph students)
- Mike Palandri, Member (Parishioner, Former Chair of the Finance Council)
- Carrie Moschetti, Staff (Pastoral Assistant for Administration)
- Sandy Barton Smith, OCS (Assistant Superintendent of Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of Seattle)
- Fr. Gary Lazzeroni, Pastor

We want to share with you a brief summary of the process as we begin:

1. The search committee has met to determine the search process and plan the timeline.
2. Next week we will finalize the interview questions and calibrate about desired qualities for the candidates.
3. The position was posted on March 9th on our own website, the Archdiocesan website, as well as several other employment sites.
4. Applications will be accepted and reviewed until the position is filled.
5. Interviews are planned for April with hopes that our 2020-21 principal is secured on or before May 1st.

We ask for your prayers for the process and that God will send us the best candidate for St. Joseph School.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

Becki Chase, Search Committee Chair