



 Holy Spirit Catholic Church



Educational Session

March 3, 2019



The Church of the Holy Spirit became a parish on January 17, 1966. Father Richard J. Bowles celebrated the parish's first Mass on Feb. 13, 1966, in the Beacon Hills Club House. At that time, the congregation numbered about 60 families.

In 1968, Father R. Joseph James replaced Father Bowles as pastor. Under his leadership, the first parish church was completed in 1971 on Fort Caroline Road in Arlington.

In 1974, a parish rectory was built close to the church. Msgr. James J. Heslin was appointed pastor of the fast-growing faith community in 1985. He oversaw construction of a new church that was dedicated by Bishop John J. Snyder on Sept. 20, 1992. Other projects completed under Msgr. Heslin include the parish school, the conversion of the original church to a school cafeteria and social hall, and a new parish social hall and gymnasium

Former Pastors



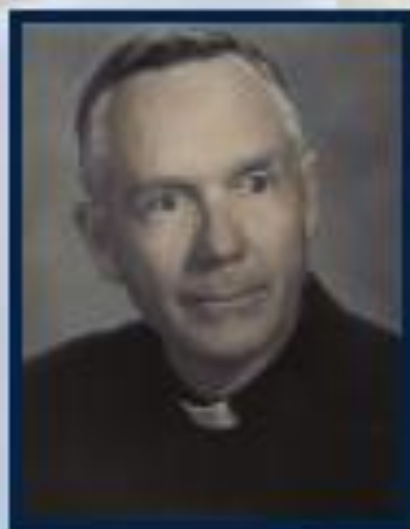
Fr. Richard Bowles
1966-1969



Msgr. Joseph James
1969-1978



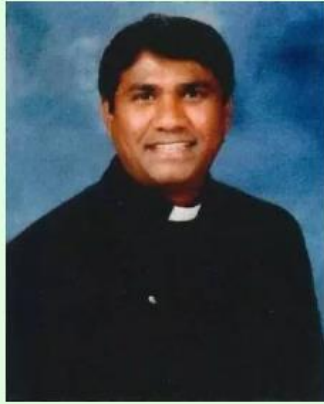
Fr. Edward Rooney
1978-1979



Msgr. Joseph Dawson
1979-1985



Msgr. James Heslin
1985-2006



Fr. Anand Prasad
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2006 - 2012



Msgr. Keith Brennan

2012 - 2013



Fr. Anthony Bonela

2013 - 2017

Current Pastor



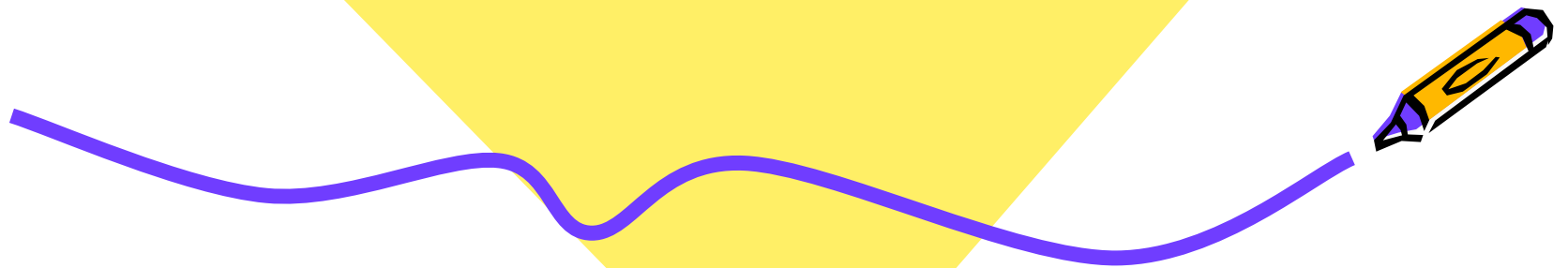
Fr. Amar Nagothu, MSFS

Pastor





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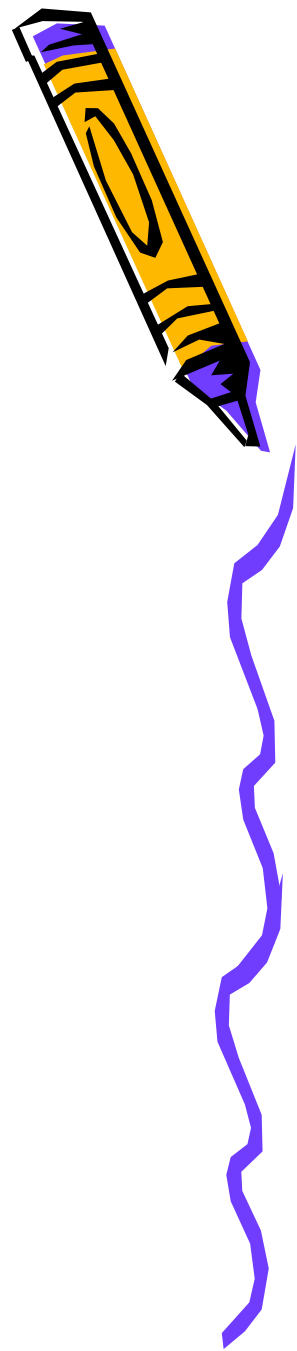
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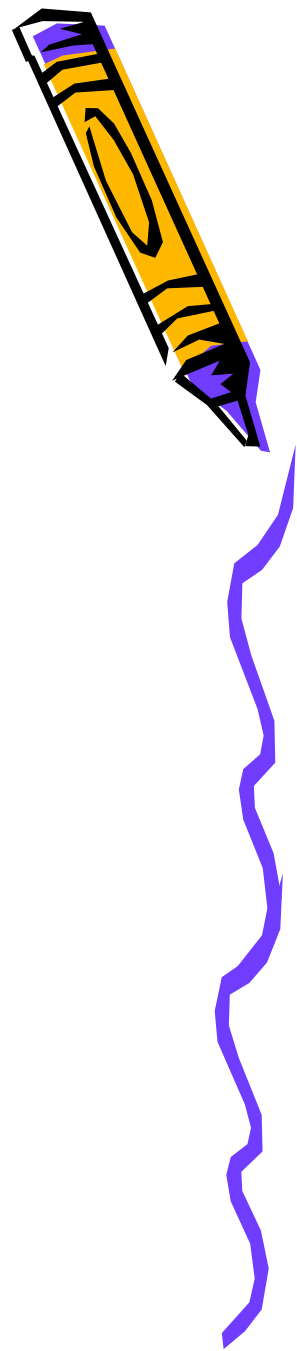
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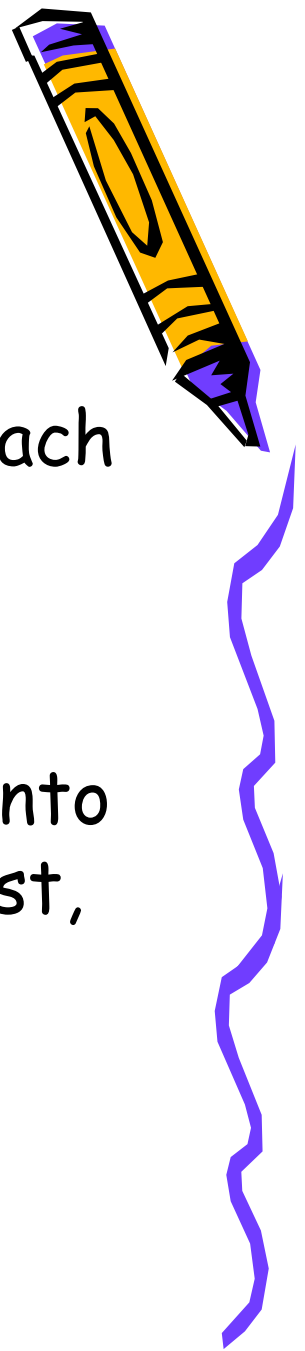


Our mission is to provide a nurturing and faith-filled setting for each unique child of God. Through a variety of methods, our students will learn the gospel of Jesus Christ and the traditions of the Catholic Church. Holy Spirit students will develop skills for future success and a desire to serve others.



School Philosophy

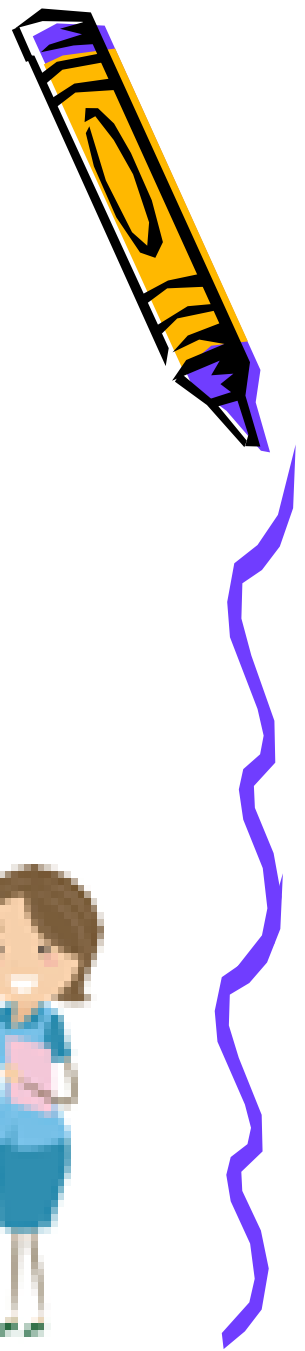
Following the Bishop's pastoral, "to Teach as Jesus Did," Holy Spirit Catholic School strives to assist all students, regardless of race or ethnic background, in the task of maturing into well-rounded followers of Jesus Christ, and capable citizens of this great country.



Well-rounded Curriculum

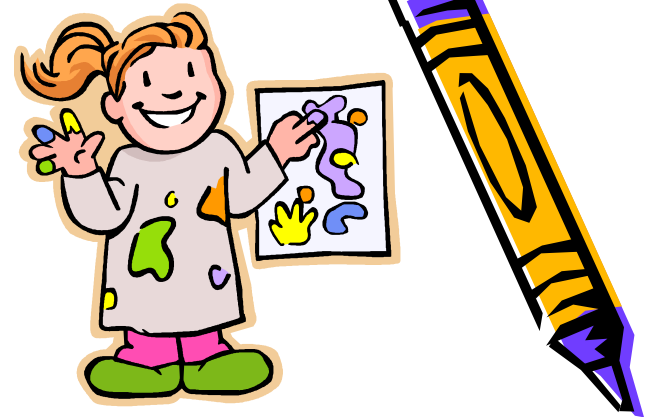
Specialized instructors provide weekly lessons in Music, Art, Physical Fitness and Spanish.

A state-licensed Guidance Counselor is also on staff.

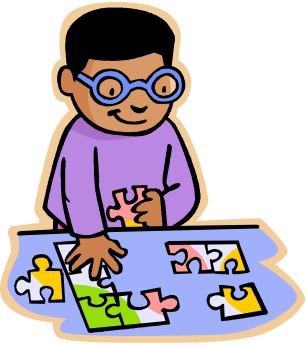


A 30-Year History

Opened Sept. 8th, 1988 serving 3
and 4 year-olds for half-day
sessions



Added Kindergarten the
next year and First
Grade the year after



New classrooms were added in 1993,
1996, and 2001



Academic and Extra-curricular Successes

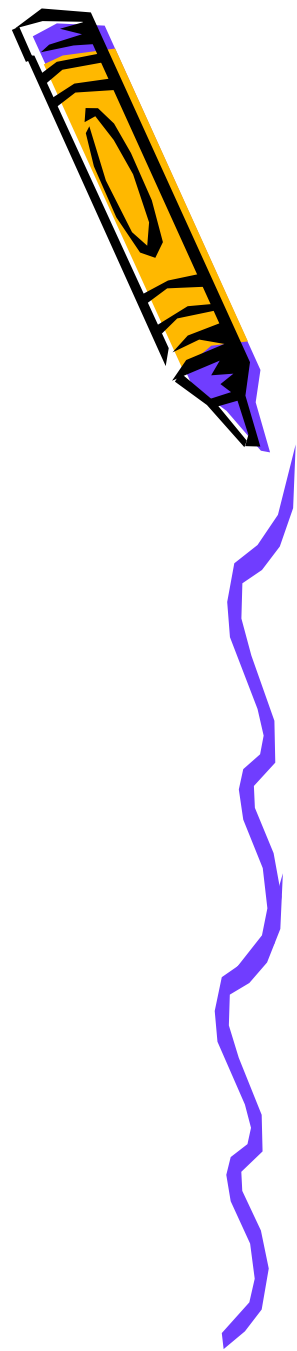


- Holy Spirit School has won the diocese Brain Brawl competition, as well as the Battle of Books on multiple occasions.
- Sports teams have won 9 conference championships in every sport. 2017 and 2018 girls basketball team finished both seasons undefeated and was the first Div 1 school in the diocese to ever play in the championship game of the Mendenhall Tournament.



National Success

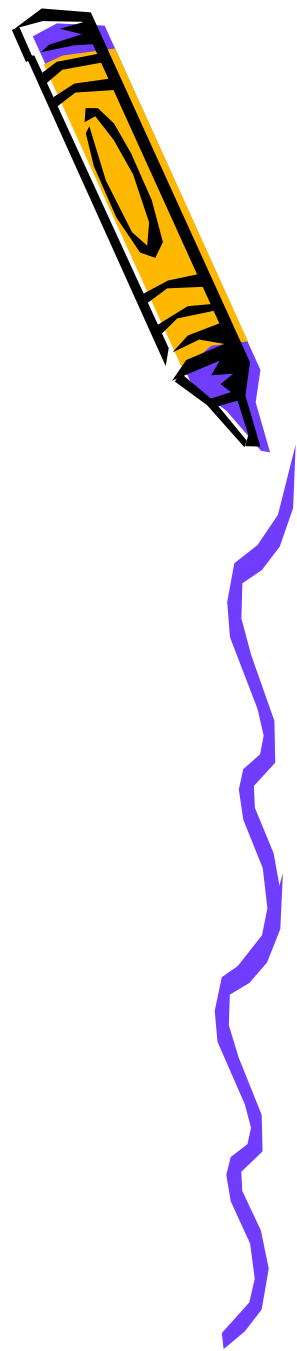
Standardized test scores have ranked among the top 10% in the country and Holy Spirit School received the Great Ideas annual Grand Award by Catholic Teacher magazine for 2004



Fully Accredited

Our school meets every criteria required for full accreditation status from the Florida Catholic Conference

The school also meets all local and state compliance requirements from the FDOE and the Duval County Health Dept.

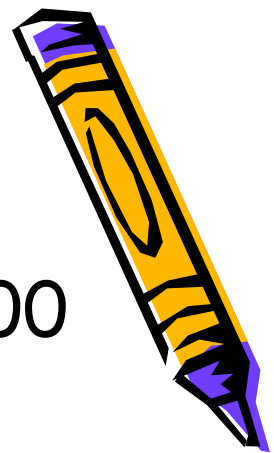


A True Non-Profit

In 2017-18 the school actually spent \$3,600 more than we took in

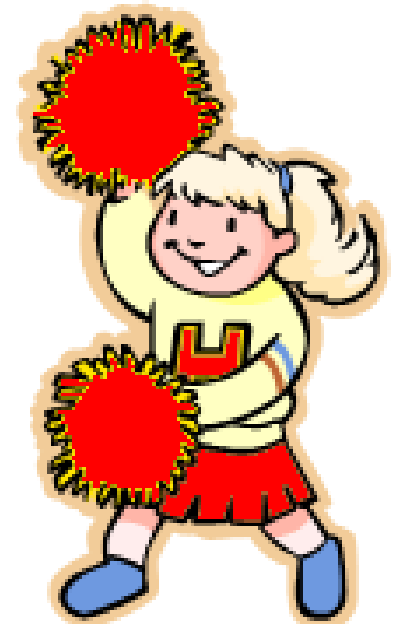
Approximately 18% of the school's total income comes as financial support from our parish. About \$225,000 annually

Fund-raising accounts for about \$40,000 of our income each year.



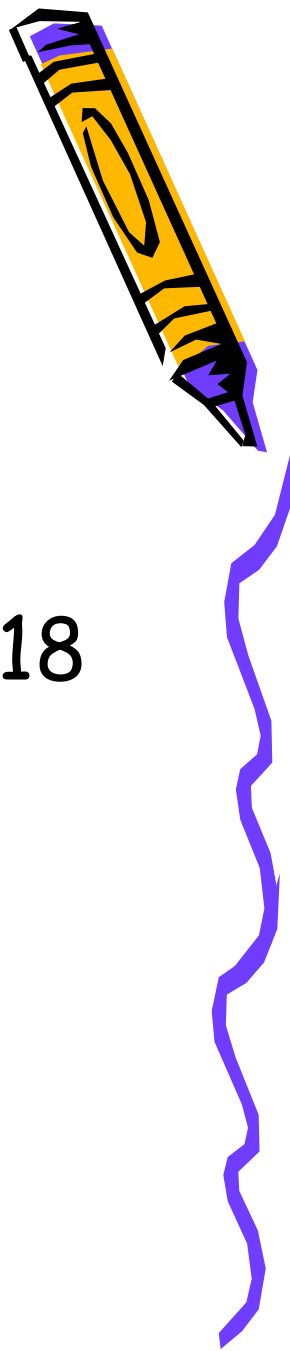
Professional Staff

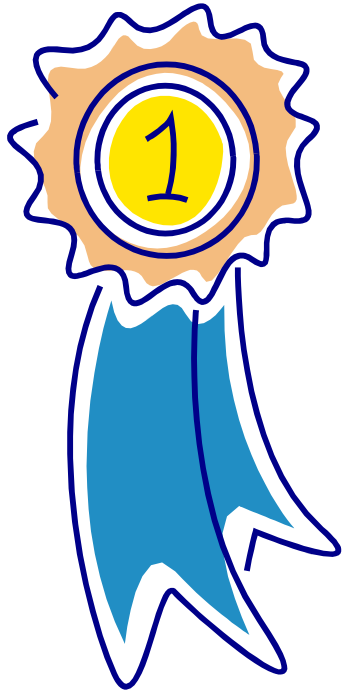
Teachers at HS School are all practicing Catholics and all but three hold valid Florida teaching certificates. They average 14 years of professional experience.



School Enrollment

Student enrollment has only slightly declined over the past decade. 2008 enrollment was 263 students and 2018 was 253.





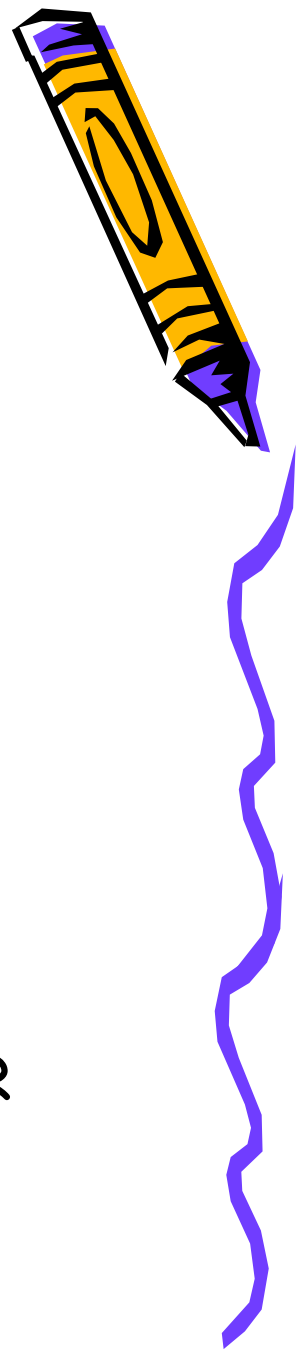
Kg Readiness Scores

2009 200
2010 190

2011 90%
2012 90%
2013 85%
2014 95%
2015 95%
2016 80%
2017 90%



Safety and Security



Digital video cameras 360 degrees

All doors locked

Fire drills conducted monthly

Lock-down and tornado drills quarterly

New dismissal procedure 2017

Intruder drill in church 2018

Full-campus security check conducted Oct 2018

Staff trained in "Stop the Bleed" and AED / CPR



When Visiting

- Visitors are *ALWAYS* welcome in our school. For security reasons, we ask that you sign-in at the office and get a Visitor's badge whenever you stop by.

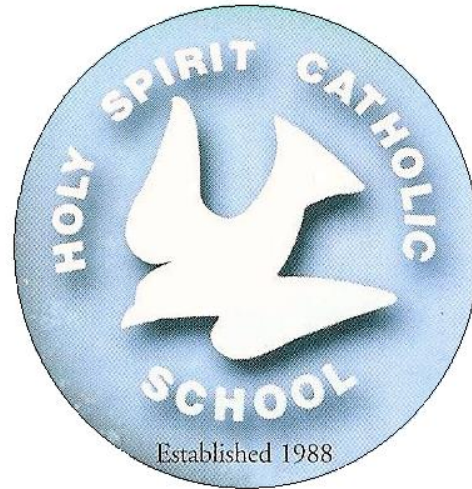
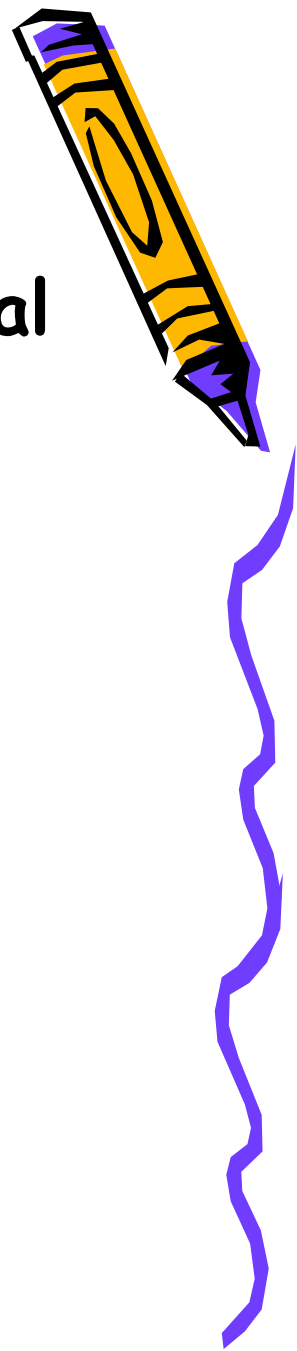


We are here to serve!



Pre-K Curriculum

Your child will be taught the State of Florida Early Learning and Developmental Standards for 4 Year-olds (2011)



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accredited by the Florida
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**Faithfully Opening Books, Minds, and
Hearts since 1988**



Ministries



- ❖ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- ❖ Altar Society
- ❖ Angels of Mercy
- ❖ Annulments
- ❖ Bible Study
- ❖ Catholics United for Life
- ❖ Choirs (Folk, Adult, Filipino, Junior)
- ❖ Elizabeth Ministry
- ❖ Faith Formation
- ❖ Finance Committee
- ❖ Filipino Group
- ❖ Grounds
- ❖ Hope & Consolation
- ❖ Hospitality
- ❖ Knights of Columbus
- ❖ Legion of Mary
- ❖ Marriage Building
- ❖ Men's Club
- ❖ Offertory Counting Committee
- ❖ Prayer Blanket Ministry
- ❖ Religious Store
- ❖ Respect Life
- ❖ RCIA
- ❖ Rosary
- ❖ St. Vincent de Paul Society
- ❖ Senior Social Group
- ❖ Scouts (Boys, Girls, Cubs)
- ❖ Society of Divine Mercy
- ❖ Young Adults
- ❖ Youth Group
- ❖ Wedding Coordinator