



CALGARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

March 17, 2016

Dear Parents and Residents of the upcoming south Cranston school community;

As mentioned in our letter on February 8, the district initiated the school naming process for the new Catholic school in Cranston, as required by regulation. A School Naming Committee was formed, consisting of Board Chair Cheryl Low, Trustee Cathie Williams, Trustee Mary Martin, representation from all school councils representing schools that host students who will form the three new school communities, a representative from St. Albert the Great Parish and principals appointed to the three new schools: Marc Pilon, Marni Harrigan and Kim Fradette. The committee was chaired by M. Ross, Area D Superintendent in collaboration with Dr. A. McGinn, Superintendent, Instructional Services.

We are pleased to inform you that the name for our new Catholic school in Cranston is Our Lady of the Rosary. The rationale for this selection included:

- Students will learn and grow with a focus on Mary
- Mary is the mother of Jesus Christ. The first school in the Cranston is Christ the King.
- Strong support for name from both school community and St. Albert the Great Parish

A brief biography of the school's namesake is described below:

This is a title given to Mary in relation to the rosary. It dates back to 1571 when Pope Pius V instituted an annual commemoration of the victory over the Turks in the Straits of Lepanto which lead to the liberation of thousands of Christians.

Survey results were as follows:

The Total Score is a set of points calculated by giving 3 points for 1st choice, 2 points for 2nd choice and 1 point for 3rd choice. This total score includes the combined votes from online and the paper copies of the survey.

Cranston School Name Survey Results

There were 520 submissions in total online and hard copy.

Name	Total Score	Total Votes	Total 1st Choice votes	School Community					Parish				
				Online Score	Online Votes	Online 1st	Online 2nd	Online 3rd	Paper Score	Paper Votes	Paper 1st	Paper 2nd	Paper 3rd
Blessed Dina Belanger	68	40	9	33	18	5	5	8	35	22	4	5	13
Blessed Emilie	179	90	29	95	41	20	14	7	84	49	9	17	23
Our Lady of Charity	246	125	31	81	41	10	20	11	165	84	21	39	24
Our Lady of the Rosary	343	141	82	82	38	17	10	11	261	103	65	28	10
St. Therese of Lisieux	241	124	44	59	34	8	9	17	182	90	36	20	34

Finally, a reminder to all parents to keep up to date on school developments through the Calgary Catholic School District website at: <http://www.cssd.ab.ca/schools/cranston/>.

Sincerely,

Mike Ross

Superintendent, Area D Schools