

The Good Shepherd Academy

To Know, Love, and Serve God



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*"I am the good shepherd.
The good shepherd lays
down his life for the
sheep."*

- John 10:14

Dear Parents,

We are pleased to announce that the school's board has appointed Father Benedict Solomon to serve as Dean of Students and Daniel Mansueto to serve as Dean of Administration. Both will be working with Jourdain Renteria much in the way that Judy Gutierrez had been doing as Head of School. Fr. Benedict will continue to serve as the school's chaplain and will also teach theology. Mr. Mansueto will continue to serve as the President of the Board of Directors. Mrs. Gutierrez will continue to work closely with the school, both as a member of the Board and in the role of Advisor.

About Fr. Benedict and Mr. Mansueto

Father Benedict, O. Praem. Fr. Benedict became a Norbertine at St. Michael's Abbey in 1999. He was head of the St. Michael's Summer Camp and served as Assistant Dean and Chaplain of St. Michael's College Preparatory High School, where he taught Freshman, Sophomore and Senior Religion and coached Cross Country and Soccer.

Fr. Benedict also served as Rector of Mary Star Of the Sea Elementary School for 6 years, which was the school he attended as a child. In addition to serving as Rector, he taught Junior religion at Mary Star of the Sea High School for 1 year.

Daniel Mansueto. Daniel Mansueto is the current President of the Board of Directors and has taught at the high school level at The Good Shepherd during each of its previous four academic years. He is a parishioner at St. Vitus, and serves on its Finance Council. He is also on the board of directors of International Life Services, which promotes pro-life education. He previously served on the Life Commission of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He is a graduate of the University of Chicago and UCLA School of Law.

The staff, board and faculty of The Good Shepherd Academy are very much looking

forward to teaching your children in the upcoming academic year. It is our hope and prayer that we can do so in a way that promotes both their academic success and spiritual well-being. Should any of you have questions now or later about the school, please feel free to contact any of us.

Yours in Christ,

Sincerely,

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