

# St. Francis School Newsletter

November 23rd, 2005

Virtue of the month: CHARITY

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## Upcoming Events

- ◆ Nov. 24-25, No School
- ◆ Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>, Safe Environment Training Class, 7:00PM
- ◆ Nov. 30-Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>, Book Fair
- ◆ Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, Safe Environment Training, 10:00AM
- ◆ Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, Coffee with the Principal, 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grades
- ◆ Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, PSO Family Craft Night, 6:30PM
- ◆ Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>, School Mass, 8:30AM

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Families,

As I mentioned a couple of weeks ago, the children have gotten off to a wonderful start and continue to gain momentum as we go along. This is something we can all be grateful for. We are blessed with some fine new families in our school; this is another thing we can all be grateful for. We have a terrific spirit of community among parents and teachers; I would add this. We have been joined by some great new faculty and staff and have added successful new programs; yet another thing to be grateful for. We are fortunate to build upon a positive base-and all of this is something to reflect upon this Thanksgiving, for God is the ultimate source of all this.

Happy Thanksgiving,

Michael Cantu,  
Principal

Scrip Order Dates

The next scrip order date is November 28<sup>th</sup>. There will be just one scrip order in December, Monday the 12<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget that they make great Christmas gifts.

Safe Environment Training

We will be having a Safe Environment Training on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM and Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM. This is for anyone who works with minors more than 4 times a year within the Archdiocese. The class is about 30 minutes in length and is good for 3 years.

Box Tops

When you clip box tops do not cut off the expiration date. They will not accept them without the date.

School Calendar

The PSO Family Night is Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30.

Please note that there will be a school Mass on Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup> (not that Wednesday) to celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Grade Level Meetings

The Kindergarten Grade Level meeting will be rescheduled.

Homework Club

There will be no homework club on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>.

Winter Weather

We will follow the Sherwood School District for late starts and school closures.

Catholic High School Placement Test

Here is the schedule for the Catholic High School Placement Test for this year's 8<sup>th</sup> graders. It is suggested that you take the test at your first choice school. They will send the results to other schools at your request. Call to reserve a spot. The test fee is \$20.

Central Catholic: Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, Paul O'Malley 503-1056x112

De La Salle North: Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, Mateo Bradford 503-285-9385x103

Jesuit High School: Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, Shirley Poppe 503-291-5422

La Salle High School: Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, Andrea Burns 503-353-1413

St. Mary's Academy: Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>, Julie Stillwell 503-721-7725

Valley Catholic High School: Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, Claudia Thomas 503-520-4721

Teacher Tips

Young children learn a great deal about how to act by watching you. The younger they are, the more cues they take from you. Before you lash out or blow your top in front of your child, think about this: is that how you want him to behave when he's angry? Be constantly aware that you are being observed by your children. Studies have shown that children who hit usually have a role model for aggression at home.

Scholastic Book Fair

- Save the dates for our Book Fair!
- Set up will be Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>.
- The Book Fair will run from Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> to Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Clean up will be Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Many people have volunteered to help! The sign up sheet is in the office or call
- Laura Larsen 503-570-1134 to volunteer for the Book Fair.
- Remember to think about doing your Christmas book shopping here!!
- Thanks!
- Co-Chairs Laura Larsen and Jennifer Micich

## Community News

## Quest Faith Sharing:

All adults are invited to the Quest Faith sharing group on Thursdays from 9:15AM-10:15AM in the Parish Hall. (No theology degree required.) The topic each week is the next Sunday's readings. Call Lisa Ashley at 503-625-1285 if you have any questions.

## Cheerleading Clinic!

Come join the Varsity Cheerleaders at LaSalle High School to learn chants, cheers and dances! You will also get the chance to perform at half-time of a Varsity High School basketball game.

Who: Ages 4yrs-8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Where: LaSalle High School

When: Saturday, January 7, 2006 from 10:30-2:30

Cost & Deadline: \$40/girl (includes t-shirt and pom poms) due by Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>. Late registrations are welcome but will not receive a t-shirt.

Please contact Cindy VanDrimmelen for registration information and medical release forms. Home # 503-652-5923 or email [cinder\\_bug@yahoo.com](mailto:cinder_bug@yahoo.com)

