

St. Francis School Newsletter

March 16, 2006

Virtue of the month: SACRIFICE

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ March 13-24, Standardized Testing, Grades 3-8; No school Mass during testing weeks.
- ◆ March 17th, Irish Dancers, 9:30AM
- ◆ March 19th, Altar Server Training after the 10:30 Mass for children 9 years old and older
- ◆ March 22nd, Magazine Sale Prize Day
- ◆ March 27-31, Spring Break
- ◆ April 1st, PSO Spring Clean
- ◆ April 3rd, Auction Meeting, 6:30PM, Parish Hall
- ◆ April 5th, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ April 14th, Good Friday, No School

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Families,

You will find the Winter Survey in today-pardon us as this was suppose to have gone out last month. I made an adjustment for these to be turned in- please return them by April 7th.

Wear green socks and as many green uniform items as you can tomorrow-girls are encouraged to dress up their hairstyles with green ribbons and bows.

SAT testing is going very well, thank you for getting your kids to school on time and ready to do their best. As a reminder, I will receive the results sometime before the May 25th and 26th conferences. Prior to these dates you will be able to sign up for a conference to discuss the test results.

The Fire/Emergency Access Road that we have opened temporarily; will be closing once again starting on Friday, March 24th- car line and drop off procedures will remain as they are now-no other changes other than the closing of the Fire Road will take place. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation, all in the interest of the safety of the children.

I want to bring your attention to a new feature of our weekly newsletter- highlights from around the school. Today we focus on 3rd/4th/5th Grades. This splendid idea came by the way came from our PSO, President, Mrs. Rachel Engstrom. I think everyone will be better informed because of it!

Sincerely,

Michael Cantu,
Principal

SAT Testing weeks reminders:

- Testing from 8:30-10:30, no unnecessary appointments during those times.
- A good breakfast
- Plenty of sleep
- Getting to school on time

Registration

Reminder: **The \$200 nonrefundable registration fee per student is due by March 24th.** Some classes are filling up so be sure to get this in on time.

This year there is a \$15 testing fee for all incoming students.

The FACTS forms for tuition assistance for the 2006-2007 school year are available in the school office. You may also apply online at www.factstuitionaid.com. **The deadline is March 27th, 2006.**

Calendar corrections

There will be **no** school Masses on March 15th and 22nd because of testing.

Library News

Please return all school library books to the school library by March 24th. (Spring break)

Classroom Parties and Birthdays

The rule is that any food to be served to students must be store bought.

Scrip Orders

Scrip orders are due April 3rd and will be delivered April 6th.

Share Hours

We can use help moving tables and chairs for PE on Monday mornings (when you drop off) or Friday afternoons (at pick up).

5th Grade Lenten Project

Thank you to everyone for the support of the 5th grade Lenten project - K.A.P. See the enclosed flier for this week's focus.

Irish Dancers

Come and join us for the Irish Dancers tomorrow morning at 9:30AM.

Lenten Deeds and Sacrifices

There is a beautiful Cross connecting Third and Fourth Grade. Each piece of colored paper on this Cross represents a good deed or Lenten sacrifice done by a Third or Fourth Grade student. Each day, we are reflecting and praying. We write our deed or sacrifice on the paper and hang in on the Cross. The Cross is a beautiful reminder of Jesus' sacrifice for us and each piece of paper on our Cross is a reminder of how we are putting God first and following His Will, as Jesus did.

AUCTION NEWS!!!

Auction Update: The theme for 2006--- *Roaring 20's Big Bash at St. Francis*. Kudos to all the kinder parents who stepped up to take on huge roles for the auction. The kinder co-chairs are Mary Parietti (littlebella@netzero.net) and Val Rice (vrice91@comcast.net) Next meeting is April 3, 2006, 6:30PM in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

Altar Server Training: There will be Altar Server Training for all interested, ages 9 years old and older on Sunday March 19th after the 10:30 Mass. Please call Pat Allen at 503-625-5246 to confirm that you will be there.

Magazine Sale reminders –

Orders will still be accepted until 8:00AM Monday, March 20th

Prize day is March 22nd

Parish News

Lent starts Wednesday, March 1st. On Fridays during Lent the Parish has a Lenten Soup Supper at 6:00PM followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00PM. All are invited to participate. On St. Patrick's Day, Stations of the Cross will be at 6:00PM with a St. Patrick's Day Dinner at 6:30PM.

Attention All Catholic Men!

Are you interested in weekly fellowship and a discussion of the upcoming Sunday readings? We would like to start a group on Wednesday mornings from 6:30-7:30AM at a Sherwood coffee shop(place to be determined). For more information, please contact Brad Ashley at 503-625-1285.

