

St. Francis School Newsletter

October 5, 2006

Virtue of the month: FAITH

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Oct. 5th, Middle School Meeting, 6:30-7:30PM
- ◆ Oct. 9th, Video for volunteers, 7:00
- ◆ Oct. 10th, Canned Food Drive
- ◆ Oct. 11th, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ Oct. 13th, No school, In-service
- ◆ Oct. 16th, Scrip Order Due
- ◆ Oct. 18th, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ Oct. 21st, School Auction
- ◆ Oct. 23rd, Video for volunteers, 8:30AM and 2:30PM
- ◆ Oct. 25th, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ Oct. 26th, Picture Retake Day
- ◆ Nov. 1st, Late Start, 9:00AM
- ◆ Nov. 1st, School Mass, 9:30AM
- ◆ Nov. 1st, All Saints Day

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Families,

Last week, I spoke at length about the importance of communication between the home and school. So often it breaks down when the established channels are overlooked. What comes to mind are the radio signals that are sent out into space from various satellite probes letting anyone out there know we, the human race, are here on Earth. If no alien civilization picks them up and understands them, well-there is no communication! Now, I know that all of you don't always get the chance to read the weekly newsletter in its entirety, but in the event you are reading this column today, I have this to say-

Progress Reports go out tomorrow. This is a form of communication that I know gets a fair amount of attention. Let me repeat what I said last week; keep in touch with your child's teacher. If you have a question about their progress, call and set up an appointment or send an e-mail or do the old fashioned thing, drop a note off in the office. Whatever method you choose does not matter as long as you choose one.

The Sunday Mass here at St. Francis is special. Our Pastor now has a wonderful additional priest to assist him, another Father Tom- believe it or not, as Ripley use to say. Our Catholic School benefits greatly because of the quality of the Liturgies on Sunday here. Mass times are at 5:30 PM on Saturday; 8:30, 10:30 AM on Sunday morning and 5:30 PM on Sunday afternoon.

Sincerely,

Michael Cantu,
Principal

AUCTION NEWS

Auction Meeting - Monday October 9th at 6:30pm in the parish hall. ALL school parents are welcome to attend!

Don't forget to pick up your invitations to the event for \$70.00 in the school office!

There will be lots of opportunity for share hours the week of the auction! Drop-ins to the parish hall for set up are ALWAYS welcome and much needed! If you would like to sign up for a volunteer spot please contact Robin Freadman at 503-885-1450. Hope to see you there!

Any questions please contact Val Rice at 503-691-0253 or Mary Parietti at 503-692-0516

Attention All Volunteers: If you work with minors more than 4 times a year in the Archdiocese there is a video on Mandatory Reporters that you are required to see along with some information from the Archdiocese. Our first showing will be Monday, October 9th at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall. We will also offer in twice on Monday, October 23rd - at 8:30AM and 2:30PM. This film is not for children.

Please check the tags in your sweatshirts to make sure your student has not brought home someone else's by mistake.

SCRIP ORDER DUE MONDAY, OCTOBER 16TH

All Middle School Parents: There is a meeting on Thursday, October 5th from 6:30-7:30PM to discuss graduation and middle school activities. This meeting is for parents only.

Racial Non-Discrimination Policy

In accordance with the Department of Catholic Schools Policies and Guidelines 3020 for admissions, this school admits students of any race, color, or racial or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at this school. The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, racial or ethnic origin, administration of its education policies, admission policies, scholarship or loan programs, and athletic and other school administered programs.

Out of Parish News

The 72nd Verboort Sausage and Sauerkraut Dinner will be Saturday, November 4th from 11AM - 8PM. Drive-thru Dinners-to-go available. Proceeds benefit Visitation School. For more information go to www.verboort.org.

Kids' Safety Fair: Family fun that's free. Saturday, October 14, 10AM-2PM at Legacy Meridian Park Hospital. For more information, please call 503-335-3500.

Central Catholic Open House on October 22, 2006 - The central Catholic High School community opens its doors Sunday, October 22 from 1:00-4:00 for Open House 2006. We invite you to come and learn more about our college-prep curriculum and broad co-curricular offerings and experience our welcoming community.

St. Mary's Academy Open House on Sunday, October 29 - The Open House is from 1:00 to 4:00PM. Along with a tour of the school and the new science wing, visitors may meet St. Mary's president and principal, interact with current students and parents, garner information about school clubs and activities, and learn more about the application process. All are welcome. For more information contact Julie Stillwell, Director of Admissions, 503-721-7725 or julies@stmaryspdx.org.