

# St. Francis School Newsletter

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## Virtue of the month: COURAGE

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### Upcoming Events

- ◆ Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>, No School
- ◆ Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, No School
- ◆ Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>, Mother/Son Bowling
- ◆ Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, Scrip Order Due
- ◆ Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, NOON Dismissal
- ◆ Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>, No School, Inservice
- ◆ Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> - Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>, Catholic Schools Week
- ◆ Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>, 10:30AM Mass, Kick off Catholic Schools Week
- ◆ Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 - 2:30PM, Open House, Registration begins.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Families,

St. Francis School is a wonderful place to learn, to work, to be a parent or grandparent of a student, to live out one's faith! St. Francis School is all this and more, and at the same time we are very much a work in progress so we don't pretend to be perfect.

Open House Sunday is coming up in a couple of weeks, January 28<sup>th</sup>, and I would like to ask each one of our families to help showcase our special school by their presence. Ask your child to dress in uniform and start by coming to Mass at 10:30, stop for a doughnut and head over to the school to welcome perspective parents and their children. There is nothing like the testimony of current children and their parents. I want this to be more than an Open House, let's make it a celebration of what we have all achieved together!

A schedule of events for Catholic Schools Week is in the newsletter. Catholic Schools Week is celebrated all over the country; we will be part of a national celebration. We have been helped along the way by many people without children in the school who simply believe in what we are all about- we celebrate their generosity and trust and build upon it. Please mark your calendar and join in the celebration!

Sincerely,

Michael Cantu,  
Principal

## PSO News

Happy New Year everyone! We hope that this second week of the new year finds you all back into the happy swing of school! Catholic Schools Week is the last week of this month. During this week, the school holds its Open House for prospective new students/families. For those of you with new St. Francis School apparel, we encourage you to wear it this month! Show your school pride out in the community and be marketers of our wonderful school! You would be surprised by how many people will take notice.

There are several upcoming St. Francis events to get the new year off to a great start. Mark your calendars... you don't want to miss them!

\*Friday, January 19th.....Mother/Son Bowling at Tigard Bowl

\*Saturday, January 27th.....School Clean-up. Earn share hours!!!!

\*Sunday, January 28th.....School Open House from 12:00-2:30.

\*Friday, February 16th.....Father/Daughter Dance in the parish hall. More info to follow. Please contact Wendy Kiel or Lisa Speer if you are interested in helping with this event.

Remember.... your Parent Service Organization executive committee is:

Sherri Peden - President

Shellie Lazo - Vice-President

Ralph Mooers - Treasurer

Karen Carrera - Secretary

Valerie Dalebroux - Secretary

If you'd like building with Legos, solving problems and tackling fun challenges (Sumo 'bots, anyone?), Lego team will open up to any interested 4th, 5th and 6th graders starting the 17<sup>th</sup> of January. The team will meet for 1 hour after school on Wednesdays with Coach Ries. Leave a message at 503-329-7788 if you are interested.

Jump Rope Team will meet at 12:15 on January 25<sup>th</sup> (noon dismissal). Please pack a snack or light lunch that they can eat after school.

Registration forms are included in today's packet. Tuition assistance forms will be available in the school office at the end of January.

### **Catholic Schools Week Jan. 28 - Feb. 2**

**Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>** - Catholic Schools Week will be kicked off at the 10:30AM Mass. The school will have an Open House from Noon until 2:30.

**Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup>** - Teacher Appreciation Day

**Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>** - Parent Appreciation Day, Come and have lunch with your student(s)

**Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>** - Pastor and Associate Pastor Appreciation Day

**Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>** - Grandparent and Special Person Appreciation Day, Refreshments and classroom visitations in the morning

**Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>** - Student Appreciation Day, Ice Cream and Free Dress Day; Spirit Rally and Faculty vs. Student Council Volleyball Game

### **Parish News**

Jan. 14 - Knights of Columbus Breakfast and Free Throw Contest for all girls and boys between the ages of 10 and 14 after the morning Masses.

### **Other News**

LaSalle High School Cheerleading Clinic: Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10:00AM to 2:00PM for girls ages 5 years to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Price is \$40 per participant which includes instruction, t-shirt for a game performance on February 13<sup>th</sup> and a set of pom poms. Money is due by February 1<sup>st</sup> to ensure a t-shirt and poms. For forms and more information contact Cindy VanDrimmelen @ either [cinder\\_bug@yahoo.com](mailto:cinder_bug@yahoo.com) (title your e-mail Kids' Clinic) or call 503-652-5923.

CYO Basketball Night at St. Mary's Academy: February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6:45PM. Free admission for all CYO players in uniform and their coaches. RSVP to [julies@stmaryspdx.org](mailto:julies@stmaryspdx.org) or 503-721-7725

An "icon" camera case was found in the church after the Christmas program. It is in the school office.