

ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWS

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God of all seekers, bless our yearnings for home. Keep us on the path that leads to you. Fill us with courage to do what is best for the healing of our own hearts and the heart of the world. Accept our gratitude for the many times when you have sought us and have invited us to recognize you in the home of our true self. Amen.

Joyce Rupp
May I Have This Dance?

FROM THE PRINCIPAL . . .

These past few weeks have been very special for our parish second graders and for several of our older students. During Easter Vigil several of our students were baptized and/or received **First Communion**; during the course of four masses this past Saturday and Sunday, our parish second graders received First Communion. Congratulations to our second graders and to the following third to eighth graders: Micah Butler, Devin Gonzales, Justin Gonzales, EJ Gurion, Jared Gurion, Rheanne Gurion, Adriana Jones, Mary Santos, and Andrew Uy.

Many thanks to those people who assisted our children during the past several months as they journeyed to the Lord's Table: Mrs. Kathy Taylor, who prepared our school students to receive the sacrament; Luz Arzate, Paulina Barger, Elizabeth Marpuri, and Rosi Ramirez, who prepared students enrolled in the parish religious education program; Rebecca Pelle, our All Saints Parish Children's Faith Formation Coordinator; Fathers Carl, Declan, and Luke; and our Parish Life Director, Steve Mullin. Special recognition is due to you, the parents, whose patience, understanding, guidance, and loving example daily nourish our children as they grow in faith.

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SPRING PICTURES

If you are not purchasing spring pictures, you must return the entire portrait package to your child's teacher so it can be returned to Lifetouch. If you have not already returned your order/pictures, please do so as soon as possible.

CATHOLIC BOOK FAIR

The Daughters of St. Paul, religious sisters who operate the new Pauline Books and Media Center located in Redwood City, are sponsoring a Catholic Book Fair at All Saints School on Tuesday, May 1st. Students in grades K to 5 will have an opportunity to view the books during the school day that Tuesday. Each child will be provided with an order form on which to indicate his/her book choices. These will go home for parents to review. Parents are invited to come preview the books during the day, too. Book orders and payment must be returned to school by Friday, May 4th. Books will be delivered within three weeks.

REGISTRATION PACKETS

Registration packets for the 2007-2008 school year will be sent home on Monday. They will be due on Monday, May 7th.

M ISSION STATEMENT . . .

All Saints Catholic School, a parish K-8 school with Dominican roots, provides a faith-filled, safe, and nurturing environment in a community that celebrates its traditions and diversity. All Saints School is dedicated to academic excellence, to fostering every child's scholastic success, and to supporting parents in developing respectful, responsible, socially conscious children who grow in their Catholic faith and their ability to say yes to life . . . yes to God.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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Many, many thanks to each and every one of you for your patience and flexibility last Friday when the downed power line caused major disruptions in the traffic flow during drop-off and pick-up.

As you could all see yesterday when the demolition crew was here, we are well on our way to having a **preschool**. The great news is that **we plan to open in August**, with a schedule identical to the elementary school schedule. In other words, the preschool will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. on days that the kindergarten to eighth grade program are in session. The program will serve fifteen to eighteen four-year olds when it opens in August. Students must be four by December 1, 2007. Registration packets for the preschool will be available by May 7th. Please call the school office if you are interested in a packet.

Last Friday we gathered together to honor our **March Peacemakers**. The Peacemaker Award is given monthly to one or two students in each grade who have consistently modeled Christian behavior, particularly in their interactions with others. Let us commend the following children for serving as wonderful role models for all of us:

Alexis Marques	Kindergarten
Calista Scott	Kindergarten
Ruby Perez	First Grade
Analisa Garcia	First Grade
Angelina Ferreira	Second Grade
Celeste Marucut	Second Grade
Connor Lathrop	Third Grade
Starwin Tabernerero	Third Grade
Calvin Tang	Third Grade
Janely Pulido	Fourth Grade
Justin Jones	Fourth Grade
Stephanie Siri	Fifth Grade
Jacob Zertuche	Fifth Grade
Angele de la Cruz	Sixth Grade
Andrew Uy	Sixth Grade
Toni Coaston	Seventh Grade
Fatafehi Tuitavake	Seventh Grade
Jessica Kesler	Eighth Grade

Brandon Loza

Eighth Grade

Congratulations to these March Peacemakers!

HONOR ROLL ADDITIONS

The following students have been added to the third quarter honor roll for receiving A's and B's in all subjects:

Adriana Jones, Eighth Grade

Julian Menjivar, Seventh Grade

Tyler Stevenson, Fifth Grade

CONGRATULATIONS to these outstanding scholars!!!

STILL NEED PARENT PARTICIPATION HOURS?

The All Saints Master Plan Committee is in need of volunteers to make phone calls during the parish phone-athon on Thursday, May 31, 2007, between 5:00 and 9:00 p.m. Volunteers will be furnished with a prepared script.

This is a great opportunity for families still in need of school parent participation hours! For further information or to volunteer, contact Larry Mathewson at (510) 881 - 0835, or at LPMATHEWSON@yahoo.com.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Father Carl will begin training new altar servers next Tuesday, May 1st, from 4:00 until 5:30 p.m. in the church. This ministry is open to students from fourth grade and up who are baptized and have made First Holy Communion. A parent or guardian must accompany the student for each session.

FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATION

Next Friday, May 4th, our monthly school mass will be in honor of our students who received the First Communion last weekend or during Easter Vigil. Those students may wear their First Communion attire to the May 4th liturgy.

APPLICATION PACKETS

Application packets for new students for the 2007-2008 school year are available in the school office. They are also posted on our website. If you have an incoming kindergartner, you may phone the school office and request that an application packet be sent home with your school age child.

SUMMER SCHOOLS/CAMPS

We have information about a variety of summer schools and summer camps. Please stop by the school office to pick up brochures.

SCRIP SPECIAL ORDER

The scrip special order should be ready for pick up on Friday, April 27th.

7th/8th GRADE FEES

All 7th and 8th grade fees should be paid in full by May 1st. The 7th Grade Science Camp fee is \$325.00. The 8th Grade Retreat Fee is \$250.00, and the Graduation Fee is \$70.00.

FORMAL DRESS

Just a reminder that all students must be in formal uniform for Mass on Friday, May 4th.

PORTUGUESE PARK LUNCHES

As part of our community outreach, All Saints Catholic School takes part in the parish Tuesday Breakfast in Portuguese Park Program. Seventh and eighth grade students work with parish volunteers to serve a meal to the hungry who gather every Tuesday morning in Portuguese Park for a hot breakfast. The school asks three classes a week to provide a healthy lunch to be handed out to those who gather for breakfast. Lunches should include a sandwich (no mayonnaise, please), a piece of fruit, a dessert, a drink, and a snack item (i.e. chips, carrot sticks). Lunches should be, if possible, placed in a plastic grocery bag. Many thanks for your participation in this important outreach.

Tues 05/01 Kindergarten, third, & sixth grade
Tues 05/08 Second, fifth, & eighth grade
Tues 05/15 First, fourth, & seventh grade

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Please keep collecting those box tops! They can be turned in to your classroom any time. Thank you for your support in this area.

LOST AND FOUND

Our lost and found bins are overflowing with items such as lunchboxes, uniforms, coats and books. Please take some time to look through the bins for any items your child may have misplaced.

GOLDEN GATE BOYS CHOIR SUMMER CAMP

The Golden Gate Boys Choir offers a wonderful summer music camp for boys. It will take place at the Oakland Diocesan Youth Retreat Center in Lafayette between Monday, July 30th and Friday, August 10th. Both a two-week resident camp and a one week day camp program are offered. Curriculum includes instruction in choral and instrumental music, including experience with handbells, chimes, Orff percussion instruments, and recorders. Camp activities include skits, games, art and crafts, swimming, hikes, and evening campfires. Further information and flyers are available in the school office.

MINIMUM DAY

Wednesday, May 2nd is a minimum day. Students will be dismissed at 12 noon. Kids Klub will be available.

SCRIP SPECIAL ORDER

There will be two more scrip special orders for this school year. The first one will be going home next week with forms and payment due on Friday, May 4th. The scrip should be ready for pick up on Friday, May 11th. You may want to consider stocking up for the summer through these two special orders. As always, thank you for your continued support through our scrip program.

TRAFFIC DUTY

Week of 4/27 to 5/3

F 04/27 Marquez
M 04/30 Marquez
T 05/01 NEED VOLUNTEERS
W 05/02 NEED VOLUNTEERS
Th 05/03 NEED VOLUNTEERS

Traffic duty is from 7:35 to 8:05 a.m.

LUNCH SUPERVISION

Week of 4/27 to 5/3

F 04/27 NEED VOLUNTEERS
M 04/30 NEED VOLUNTEERS
T 05/01 NEED VOLUNTEERS
W 05/02 NEED VOLUNTEERS
Th 05/03 NEED VOLUNTEERS

Lunch supervision is from 12:00 to 1:45.

CALLING ALL ALUMNI

As we prepare for the school's sixtieth anniversary celebration, we are trying to update our alumni database. If you know All Saints School alumni, we'd appreciate it if you would call/ask them to call the school office to provide us with updated personal information, including name, address, phone number, email address, and year of graduation. Many thanks for your help in this endeavor.

SCRIP NEWS

New!! We now have **Safeway scrip** available for purchase daily in the auditorium. Use scrip along with your Safeway club card and All Saints earns a larger profit! Remember, we also carry scrip for Arco, Home Depot, Lowes, Macys, JC Penney, Sears, Toys R Us, Longs Drugs, FoodMaxx, and Starbucks as part of our daily scrip inventory.

SCRIP VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The scrip committee is looking for a volunteer to sell scrip on Fridays after school in the auditorium from 3:00-3:30. This time counts toward parent participation hours. For details or to volunteer, please call Mary Bulnes at 537-5225.

TONER RECYCLE PROGRAM

The school can now accept used cell phones as part of our recycling program. Used cell phones and toner cartridges may be dropped off in the collection box located in the school office any time during office hours.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Can you spare half an hour in the morning to help keep our children safe? Lately we have not had enough volunteers for morning traffic duty. This is a very important volunteer job. If you can assist from 7:40 a.m. until 8:05 a.m., your help would be greatly appreciated. The sign-up binder is on the counter in the school office.

SPRING CONCERT

Our annual All Saints School spring concert is Thursday, May 17th, at 7:00 in the gymnasium. Students should be in classrooms by 6:30 that evening.

Attire this year is "dressy casual". Jeans, capris, and the like are fine, but no shorts, please. Please no warm-up suits, athletic wear, teeshirts with advertisements for products, camouflage fatigues, halter tops, midriffs, or tank tops. Thank you for your cooperation.

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOUR OPPORTUNITY

The City of Hayward is once again sponsoring Hayward Clean-Up Days. This year it will be held on Saturday, May 19th, from 8:30 - 12:30. The event begins at Weekes Park where supplies, instructions and maps will be provided. There is also a FREE barbecue lunch provided for all volunteers. This is a great way to help make Hayward a cleaner and healthier community and earn service hours at the same time. The deadline to register is April 27th. Registration forms are available in the school office.

STUDENT SERVICE HOURS

Service hour reports for the second half of the year for students in grades five to eight are **due Monday, May 21st**. Reporting forms were given to students at the beginning of school year. If you child has misplaced his/her form, please have him/her pick up a duplicate in the school office. Please remember: Service hours comprise a portion of your child's religion grade. Students who do not report their hours in a timely manner will have their religion grades lowered by up to one full grade and will receive an incomplete on their report card until hours are completed.

