

ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWS

"Together We Say YES to God"

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Dear God,

Thank you for the animals and the world.
Thank you for giving us Jesus and our moms and
dads.

Love,
Natalie, grade 1

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It's been a faith and fun-filled week at All Saints! We had a wonderful Halloween, jam-packed with activities for our students. Several grades began their day by parading to Casa Sandoval. The senior residents were overjoyed by their visit, especially the wonderful songs and poems that the students prepared. The classes were treated to candy and a tour inside their haunted house. There was an experience of mutual giving and warm-hearted receiving.

Many, many thanks to Mrs. Schott, Mrs. Fralick, Ms. Landis and our Leadership Ministries group for planning and facilitating the Spirit Day events and to the seventh and eighth grader faith family leaders who assisted them. They ensured the day was memorable for all. Students circulated through stations where they were able to take part in various games, do Halloween arts and crafts activities, pay a visit to a haunted house, and find their way around a Halloween maze. Special thanks to Mr. Coaston for all the time and energy he put into our spooky haunted house and maze. Everyone had a blast!

Thank you to all who were present for our 100th Anniversary Celebration. It was wonderful to see our parish come together for prayer, food, fellowship, and fun. Thank you to many generous who assisted with this once in a lifetime event.

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SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

There is no school tomorrow, Friday, November 6th, while the faculty attends the second of three Elementary Staff Days. Monday, November 9th is a holiday in honor of Veterans Day. Classes will resume on Tuesday, November 10th.

AUCTION 2010 - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!!

We are looking for volunteers to help with this year's Auction, which is on Saturday, March 20, 2010. After being involved with the Auction for almost 8 years, and the chairperson for the last 3 years, Sandy Cariel has decided to step down as the Auction Chairperson after this year. So we need a co-chair and volunteers to keep this wonderful event that has been a school tradition for more than 20 years going. **The first meeting will be Thursday, November 5th, at 6:30 p.m. in the school library.** Please join us to find out how you can help.

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.

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We give special thanks to Steve Meyer and our Honors Bell Choir for sharing their musical talents with our parish community during the lovely afternoon concert.

What an honor it was to be the first parish to host Bishop Cordileone! Our school had an opportunity to be part of a beautiful liturgy on the Feast of All Souls Day celebrated by our new bishop. After Mass, Bishop Cordileone was led on a school tour by junior students, visited each classroom, and enjoyed a luncheon with all our school and parish staff. Here are some comments our students shared about Bishop Cordileone's visit:

"He had a sense of humor." - Sean, grade 2

"He was really nice and answered all of our questions."
- Georgina, grade 3

"His words at Mass helped me to become closer to God by teaching me about sharing." - Maika, grade 4

"I liked that we saw the real side of the bishop. He's one of us, not perfect. We really were able to learn more about him." - Tyler, grade 8

SPECIAL ORDER SCRIP

Please note that there will only be one more scrip special order before Christmas. Thanks for your support!

SHOPWITHSCRIP NOW FOR CHRISTMAS

Remember, you can place orders anytime with ShopwithScrip.com but orders are only processed on the dates listed so please be sure to check the due dates and pick up dates in the scrip section of the website. Printed orders (with payment if you are not paying online) must be in the office no later than 3pm on the due date listed in order to be available for pick up the following week. Orders received without payment cannot be processed. ALL ORDERS, regardless of payment type, must be printed and sent to the office. This information is needed for accurate distribution of orders. Special order forms are no longer being printed. Scrip will continue to be sold from a limited inventory on-hand after school in the auditorium every day. Registration instructions for ShopwithScrip.com are also on the school website under the link for Scrip.

GET STARTED WITH THESE EASY-STEPS:

1. Register with Shopwithscrip.com
2. Place your order online any time (being mindful of due dates/pick up dates)
3. Print your order and send it to the office no later than 3pm on the due date (with payment if not paying online)
4. Pick up your order on the availability date

SCRIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The scrip committee is in need of volunteers to sell scrip after school. If you can help with this important position please contact Mary Bulnes at 537-5225.

LUNCH SUPERVISION

Week of 11/6 - 11/13

F 10/30	NO SCHOOL
M 11/2	NO SCHOOL
T 11/3	Aquino/VanProoyan
W 11/4	Aquino/VanProoyan
Th 11/5	Aquino/VanProoyan

Lunch supervision is from 12:00 to 1:40.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU SIGN IN THE YARD DUTY BOOK IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE

TRAFFIC DUTY

Week of 11/6 - 11/13

F 11/6	NO SCHOOL
M 11/9	NO SCHOOL
T 11/10	Need Volunteer
W 11/11	Need Volunteer
TH 11/12	Need Volunteer

COOKIE DOUGH NEWS

PTG is holding their annual holiday cookie dough/pie sale beginning Tuesday, November 3rd through November 13th. Flyers with order forms were sent home this week. Extras are available in the school office. Please note that Pumpkin Pies, although not listed on the form or catalog, are available for purchase for \$15.00. If you wish to order a pumpkin pie, simply write your order in on the form and include payment. New this year!! - for every 10 items sold you will receive 1 item free (cheesecakes not included).

Distribution will be on Monday, November 23rd after school. Please note that we do not have storage space for items not picked up. These items are frozen. Please contact MaryKate Lathrop at 258-9738 with any questions or if you can assist with distribution. Thank you for your support.

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

November 6th: Elementary Staff Day; **NO SCHOOL**

November 9th: Veterans' Day; **NO SCHOOL**

November 13th: November birthdays free dress

November 18th - 20th: 8th grade Retreat

November 23rd - 24th: Minimum Days - 12 noon dismissal; Parent/Teacher Conferences; Kids Klub will be available

November 25th - 27th: Thanksgiving Vacation - **NO SCHOOL**

December 2nd - Minimum day, 12 noon dismissal, Kids Klub will be available

December 4th - PTG Christmas Party, 7pm

December 8th - Immaculate Conception Mass and Peacemakers, 9:00am

December 17th - December birthday free dress; Christmas Program

December 18th - Advent Prayer Service; Minimum Day, 12 noon dismissal; NO KIDS KLUB

HELPING THE HOMELESS AND HUNGRY (3H)

As part of our community outreach, All Saints Catholic School takes part in the parish Tuesday Breakfast program. Seventh and eighth grade students work with parish volunteers to serve a meal to the hungry who gather every Tuesday morning 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 11/10 Second, fifth, and eighth grade

Tues 11/17 First, fourth, and seventh grade

Tues 11/24 Kindergarten, third, & sixth grade

GIRL SCOUT NUT SALE

It is nut time again. Girl Scout Junior Troop 31031 and Daisy Troop 32384 will be selling nuts after school on Friday, November 13, 2009. Please contact Sandi Mello, 754-6952, if you have any questions. Thank you for supporting our Troops.

PTG CHRISTMAS PARTY

Plans are underway for a fabulous **PTG Christmas party** on **Friday night, December 4th at 7:00 p.m.** This is the only strictly social PTG event of the year. There will be plenty of yummy hors d'oeuvres and desserts, good company, a "winter wonderland" atmosphere and, perhaps, even a bit of Christmas caroling.

If you are interested in helping with the coordination and/or decorations for this event, please contact Yvette Ramirez at 510-785-5197 or yramirez@sbcglobal.net.

From Yvette Ramirez:

Preparations for this event is in the works but your ideas and help is valued. As always an event can't be successful without your help. If you can help in any way please contact me at yramirez70@sbcglobal.net . Last year was fun, I would like it to be fun again this year with more parents. So lets get the word out!! Here are a couple of areas that you may be able to help:

- Bring a food dish
- Bring dessert
- Set up and/or clean up

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Space permitted, we are happy to include an article or flyer for an upcoming event in the school newsletter. Flyers are posted online with the newsletter. The deadline to submit an article or flyer is the end of the school day on Monday of the week you wish to include it.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

Many of our families have not completed their Safe Environment training. Please remember that without this training and certificate you will not be able complete your required parent volunteer hours at the school such as Yard Duty, Traffic Duty, field trips, etc. To access the training log on to www.shieldthevulnerable.org, complete the training, print your certificate and submit it to the school with \$5 (per person).

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR OCTOBER PEACEMAKERS

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

- *Matthew 5:9*

Bianca Townsend	Sabina Diago
Estefan Agurto	Natalie Canchola
Orlando DeGuair-Rocha	Emma Mayoral
Nico Padilla	Nicole Cruz
Austin Flores	Maika Grospe
Esther Abraham	Haley Alcayde
Marcel Henriquez	Minh Ly
Dante Legaspi	Samantha Adami
Matthew Leli	Stephanie Siri

CHESS CLUB

Berkeley Chess School will be offering chess instruction once again at All Saints. Classes will be held during lunch time and will start the first week in December. The class size minimum is 10 and maximum is 20. Cost is \$58 for the 8 week session. Please see the flyer/registration form posted this week in the newsletter section of the school website for details. Please direct all inquiries, registration forms and payments to The Berkeley Chess School.

SVDP FOOD DRIVE

During the Christmas season, we try as a school to participate more in parish outreach programs. The St. Vincent de Paul Society has asked us once again to contribute to the holiday food baskets they will be preparing for needy families in our community. They are requesting that students in grades K-8 bring in any canned goods/non-perishable foods. A number of families will have a happier holiday season because of your generous contributions. All contributions should be brought in by Friday December 11th.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS FREE DRESS

Friday, November 13th, is free dress for all who celebrate their birthday in November. HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!