

Mission Statement

*At St. John of God Catholic School, we foster a
faith-filled
Christian community in which we develop the
whole person: body, mind and spirit.*

April 2011

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1 First Friday Liturgy
11:00 a.m.: Grade 1 & 8
After School Sales (Decathlon)

Drama Practice: 3:05-5:30 p.m.

3 Drama Set Up (LH)	4 Drama Set Up (LH) Peer Tutoring: 3:05-4:00 p.m. Probation Notices Go Home	5 Drama Set Up (LH) PE: K-8	6 Jog-A-Thon \$ Due Drama Set Up (LH) 50 Cans/Bottles = Free Dress 12:15 Dismissal Faculty Meeting: 1:00 p.m.	7 Drama Set Up (LH) Field Trip: Gr. PK, 3 & 4 Drama Dress Rehearsal	8 "The Rockin' Tale of Snow White" Senior Show: 1:00 p.m. Door Prize Winners: Gr. 5, 3, 1 Opening Night: 7:00 p.m. After School Sales (Drama) Scrip Quota # 2 Due	9 "The Rockin' Tale of Snow White" Dinner Show: 6:00 p.m.
10 "The Rockin' Tale of Snow White" Matinee Show: 2:00 p.m.	11 NO SCHOOL Drama Clean-up	12 PE: K-8 Field Trip: Gr. 7 & 8 Emergency Drill: 1:35 p.m. Drama Clean-up	13 Spring Pictures (Only those who have an order form) S & B forms go home Faculty Meeting 3:15 - 3:45 p.m.	14 Root Beer Float Party Box Top Winners: Gr. 1, 3 Gr. 1 & 3: 12:30 (LH) Choir Rehearsal: 2:45—3:15 p.m. Sports Gathering 6:30—8:00 p.m. (LH)	15 Spelling Bee 8:30 a.m. (LH) (Parents Welcome) After School Sales (Drama)	16
17 PALM SUNDAY Coffee & Donuts: Grade 2	18 Drama Cast Party 3:05—4:00 p.m. (LH) Peer Tutoring: 3:05—4:00 p.m.	19 PE: K-8 S & B Forms due Shakey's Fundraiser: 5:00—8:00 p.m.	20 Food for the Poor = Free Dress 12:15 p.m. Dismissal Faculty Meeting: 1:00 p.m.	21 HOLY THURSDAY Live Stations of the Cross 11:00 a.m. (CH) 12:15 Dismissal Easter Break Begins	22 GOOD FRIDAY NO SCHOOL Live Stations of the Cross 12:00 noon (CH)	23 HOLY SATURDAY
24 EASTER School Choir: 11:00 a.m. Mass Easter Break Continues	25 NO SCHOOL	26 NO SCHOOL	27 NO SCHOOL	28 NO SCHOOL	29 NO SCHOOL	30

School resumes on Monday, May 2nd.

Chocolate bunnies
Marshmallow peep
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EASTER BLESSING

The blessing of the Lord be upon you...

Psalms 129:8

*May the glory and the promise of this joyous time of year
Bring peace and happiness to you and those you hold most dear,*

*And may Christ, Our Risen Savior, always be there by your side
To bless you most abundantly and be your loving guide.*

To all of our St. John of God Parish community: May you have a blessed and enjoyable Easter!

JR. HIGH SCHOOL DECATHLON

Congratulations to our Decathletes! We are proud of your accomplishments. Special recognition goes to **Mark Bautista, Grade 8**, for receiving a medal in the category of Mathematics and **Ricki-Lou Langcay, Grade 8**, for receiving a medal in Literature.

Grade 8

Mark Bautista
Ricki-Lou Langcay
Laura Rodriguez
Timothy Wong
Lauren Yotsov

Grade 7

Daniel Guevarra
Dana Manalo
Janella Velasco
Joshua Viola
Annalise Wintz

Grade 6

Sebastian Anaya
Rebecca Rodriguez

Thank you to our Moderator, Ms. Ana Maria Guzman. Your many years of dedication to the students' overall academic performance, especially in Math and Logic, here at St. John of God School is commendable. Thank you also to our Faculty Coach, Mrs. Christine Ontiveros. Her expertise, especially in Literature, was quite evident in the results of the students' individual and overall performances. A **BIG** thank you to our decathlete parents for all their hard work in preparing our students for academic success and for the reputation of putting on a fantastic tail gait party!



A.C.E AWARD

Congratulations to the following students who earned the A.C.E. Award for the month of February.
Good job!

Pre-K

Salome-Matthew Chavez
Micheal Davalos
Max-Joshua Fernandez

Kindergarten

Maegan Bautista
Monique Cardona
Anaisa Castillo
Adrian Curiel
Miguel Guerrero
Noah Haydon
Adrian Linares
Roj Manalo
Jasmine Reyes
Ricardo Rodriguez
Summer Rodriguez
Anthony Sanchez
Marissa Trujillo

Grade 1

Janneel Alvarado
Juliana Diaz
Arlene Garcia
Paris Hipolito
Ashley Obeso
Jayson Pascual
Andrew-Joshua Rodriguez
Danielle Trujillo
Emily Valenzuela
Joan Viola
Loreinice Zilabbo

Grade 2

Kassidy Alabanza
Jasmine Bui
Justine Enriquez
Max Fernandez
Celeste Gomez
Ethan Hernandez
Mia Jimenez
Jacqueline Lopez
Izabela Mancera
Amaya Mendoza
Ariana Vierya
Jacob Viola

Grade 3

Andrea Bailey
Andrea Mendez
Kimberly Obeso

Grade 4

Maureen Bautista
Dianne Berroya
Jessica Bui
Glenn Reyes
Careena Romo
Christopher Swanson
Thomas Toledo

Grade 5

Amanda Almeida
Britney Gomez
Brianna Hernandez

Grade 6

Sebastian Anaya
William Bautista
Dana Berroya
Elizabeth Chabot
Matthew Duran
Daniel Hall
Alexis Hipolito
David Munoz
Anthony Oropeza
Maria Rebolledo
Rebecca Rodriguez
Joshua Sales
Patrick Vinas

Grade 7

Sandy Alvarado
Matthew Borlongan
Danielle Enriquez
Daniel Guevarra
Kimberly Hernandez
Sabrina Lizarraga
Dana Manalo
Andrea Pastores
Cristina Sarmiento
Omar Velez
Joshua Viola
Annalise Wintz

Grade 8

Mark Bautista
Danica Berroya
Crystal Gomez
Steven Hall
Katherine Le
Don Manalo
Mika Monis
Rebecca Munoz
Janessa Velasco

Congratulations





HANDWRITING AWARD

The following students earned the Handwriting Award for the month of February. Excellent work!

Pre-K

William Gray

Kindergarten

Noah Haydon

Grade 1

Mia Rodriguez

Grade 2

Jacqueline Lopez

Grade 3

Charlie Du

Grade 4

Patrick O'Brien

Grade 5

Trigg Mancera

Grade 6

Analyssa Swanson

Grade 7

Arielle Toledo

Grade 8

Mimi Granillo



NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION

We are accepting new student registration. If you know someone who may be interested in his or her child/ren receiving a Catholic Education, please have them contact the school office and upon acceptance and verification, **you will receive \$100.00 deducted from your tuition.** *(If more than one family recommends a new family, the \$100.00 will be split among families. Final decision will be made by the school principal.)*

BOOK FEES AND ANNUAL FEES

Parents, please plan ahead. The Book Fees and Annual Fees for the school year 2011-2012 will remain the same. The Books/Supplies Fee is due on or before May 10th and the Annual Fees are due on or before June 10th. We will still have our August Registration Day(s) for you to fill out all paperwork, (Emergency Earthquake Cards, etc.), but no money will be collected at that time since all fees must be paid before the August Registration date. If you are not able to pay registration fees by June 10th, please call the school office to make an appointment to see the principal.

Books/Supplies Fee Due on May 10th, 2011:

Pre-K	\$200 per student
K-8	\$250 per student

Annual Fees Due on June 10, 2011:

FACTS Fee:	\$41.00 per account *	To be taken from individual bank account
Emergency Supplies Fee:	\$20.00 per student	
Technology Fee:	\$30.00 per student	
Student Activities Fee:	\$20.00 per student	
Fiesta Raffle Tickets:	\$30.00 per student	
Yearbook Fee:	\$30.00 per student	
Sacrament Fee:	\$25.00 per student	
Sixth and Seventh Grade Retreat Fee:	\$25.00 per student	
Seventh Grade Reception/Gift for Graduate Fee:	\$25.00 per student	
Eighth Grade Graduation Fee:	\$210.00 per student	

ST. JUDE MATH-A-THON

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital



The results are in! Seventy-nine students participated in the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Math-A-thon in March and an astounding \$2,531.50 was raised! What a powerful fundraiser "Finding cures, Saving children". A big "thank you" to Ms. Liz Santillan for organizing and completing this successful reflection of our school families commitment to service!

BABY BOTTLE COLLECTION



During the month of February, student's in each classroom were asked to donate money to help assist those women who need the help and services of the Downey Living Help Center. Again, we are proud to report that a collection of \$195.00 was raised by our very generous students at St. John of God School! "Thank you" to Mrs. Rosemary Norton, long-time dedicated parishioner, for bringing this opportunity to our parish school, teaching our children the gift of charity.

NEW COMPUTERS FOR THE LAB



Prior to Christmas break, 36 new computers and accessories were purchased by St. John of God School. Mr. Alex Gonzalez, our technology engineer, researched a great deal and made the transition happen within a few weeks of our purchase. The IBM computers, (M55P C2D 1.86Ghz, 1GB RAM, 80GB disk, DVD ROM, XP Pro) with keyboard and optical mouse, were installed over Christmas break by Mr. Gonzalez and were up and running in January. Thank you to all our school families who work so hard to participate in fundraising and who make payments regularly toward their fundraising quota requirements!

NEW PE EQUIPMENT



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After raising \$1000.00 at McDonald's on McTeacher Night in November, our teachers were eager to choose sports equipment and create new ways to spice up the Tuesday PE program. Foam relay batons, baseball, softball and flag football gear, a deluxe parachute, jump ropes, kickballs, hoops and hula hoops, a rubber chicken, soccer balls, low profile cones, a wooden egg & spoon kit, a super loop target game, popular group and square dancing DVD's & CD's, a fun classroom fitness routine DVD are now available to our students thanks to your support in our extra fundraising efforts. Another McTeacher Night will be sponsored by McDonald's on May 4th so make sure to support our dedicated teachers as we raise money for classroom upgrades.

DRAMA TICKETS & GIFT BASKET COLLECTION CLASS COMPETITION



The drama gift basket competition ended with the following classes bringing in the most donations: Grades 5, 3 & 1. Congratulations to these classes. Enjoy the Show! They will attend the Senior Show, Friday, April 8th at 1:00 p.m.

This year the Drama production is "The Rockin' Tale of Snow White." Pre-order your tickets now by using the flyer attached or come to the school office during school hours.

SAFETY NEWS & MERCHANT DONATIONS



Parents please remember...

The area around the Church is for teacher and staff parking *only*. Do not use this area for dropping off or picking up students. The only exceptions are: if you or your student is disabled, for drop off or pick up of heavy items, before school hours, after the morning bell rings or after school hours.

School Cents-- Please read your School Cents flyer (**see attached**). There is important information regarding e-waste. Last day for receipts is May 15. Don't forget to sign up for Email from them, it's worth 1000 Points.

Box Tops for Education-- Box Tops were submitted to General Mills in February. There were a total of 3, 300 box tops and 420 bonus box tops totaling \$372.00! Grades 1 & 3 turned in the most box top labels and will be receiving a root beer float party after lunch on Thursday, April 14th. Continue to save your box top labels for the next school year!

Ralphs-- A check in the amount of \$76.93 was received thanks to the shoppers who are registered with Ralphs and shopped between December and February this school year. If you would like to register as a shopper so that your purchases contribute to our school, please email community.programs@ralphs.com or visit their website at www.ralphs.com.

Food4Less-- A check in the amount of \$23.04 was received thanks to the shoppers who are registered with Food 4 Less and shopped between December and February this school year. If you would like to register as a shopper so that your purchases contribute to our school, please email community.programs@ralphs.com or visit their website at www.food4less.com.

SPORTS GATHERING FOR BASKETBALL TEAMS



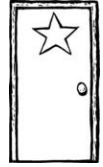
Basketball players, Varsity Boys and Girls as well as "B" Boys and Girls will be awarded their trophies and enjoy pizza, nachos and refreshments on Thursday night, April 14th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Large Hall. There will be awards of recognition for Most Valuable Player, Most Improved, Coach's Award and Player's Choice Award presented so: be there or be square!"

Three of our students received bronze medals, (3rd place) at the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest "Chapter" level. Congratulations to Rodel Manalo, Ryan Hunley and Sabrina Lizarraga!

REMINDERS

Many students are making a habit of coming to the school office when they discover they do not have lunch. Please remind your child/ren to be responsible for their lunch when they come to school in the morning. Fast food is not allowed, please pack a homemade lunch unless hot lunch has been ordered from S & B Foods.

DOUBLE SERVICE HOUR OPPORTUNITY



If you need service hours, here is your chance to earn “double” service hours. We will be needing help backstage and with costume changes on the days of the drama production starting with Thursday, April 7th at 1:00 p.m. If you are interested, please contact the school office for more information.

SPRING PICTURES



Bartolo School Photography is coming to school on Wednesday, April 13th for one day only to take spring portraits. The order form is included here with your newsletter. Photos will be taken, only of students who bring their payment to the camera on spring Photo day. **NO LATE ORDERS.** Submit one payment envelope with payment enclosed for each child. Free dress should be worn only if you come to school with your order form and payment. There is an option to order online seven days prior to picture day. Refer to the order form for more details.

NEW IMMUNIZATION SCHOOL LAW



A new immunization school law goes into effect for middle and high school students as of July 1, 2011. Assembly bill 354 requires all students in public and private schools entering grades 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 to receive a pertussis booster vaccine before they can enter school in the 2011-2012 school year. The required vaccine is called Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis). After this school year, the pertussis booster will only be required for students entering the 7th grade. More information will be sent home specifically to Grades 6 and 7.



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