

**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.*

# May 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 Peer Tutoring: 3:05—4:00 p.m.	3 PE: K-8 Jog-A-Thon Class Winners Grades 8, 6, 3 & 2 Movie Field Trip 9:30 a.m.—12:15 p.m. Probation Notices Go Home	4 50 Cans/Bottles = Free Dress Health Screening Follow Up 12:15 Dismissal Faculty Meeting: 1:00 p.m. McTeacher Night 4:00 pm.—7:00 p.m.	5 Emergency Drill 2:10 p.m. Choir Rehearsal: 2:45—3:15 p.m.	6 First Friday Liturgy 11:00 a.m.: Religion Committee After School Sales (Teachers)	7
8 <b>Happy Mother's Day</b>	9 Peer Tutoring: 3:05-4:00 p.m. Gr. 8 Parent Meeting 6:30 p.m. (LIB)	10 PE: K-8 Books/Supplies Fee Due Service Hours #2 Due	11 Grade 8 Graduation Group Picture 8:30 a.m.	12 Choir Rehearsal: 2:45—3:15 p.m.	13 After School Sales (Decathlon)	14
15 Coffee & Donuts: Grade 3 Student Liturgy 9:30 a.m. School Choir	16 Peer Tutoring: 3:05-4:00 p.m. (Last Day)	17 PE: K-8	18 Food for the Poor = Free Dress 12:15 p.m. Dismissal Faculty Meeting: 1:00 p.m.	19 Choir Rehearsal: 2:45—3:15 p.m. Grade 2 Parent/Student Sacrament Retreat 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. (SH) Confirmation Registration 7pm (LH)	20 After School Sales (Drama) Room Parent Meeting 6:30 p.m. (LIB)	21 First Holy Communion 8:00 a.m. Pictures (LH) 9:00 a.m. Mass (CH) Sisters of the Holy Faith Farewell Mass 5:00 p.m. (CH) Reception Following (LH) Hosted by Parish
22 Sisters of the Holy Faith Farewell Mass 9:30 a.m. (CH) Reception Following (LH) Hosted by School	23	24 PE: K-8	25 Confirmation Registration 7pm (LH)	26 May Crowning 1:00 p.m. (CH) Choir Rehearsal: 2:45—3:15 p.m. Mandatory Parent Meeting 7:00 p.m. (LH & SH)	27 Grade 8 Retreat 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. De Paul Center After School Sales (S/C)	28
29	30 <b>MEMORIAL DAY NO SCHOOL</b>	31 PE: K-8 Decathlon Lunch Field Trip: 11:30 p.m.—1:00 p.m.				



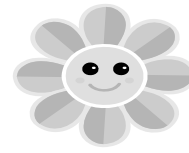
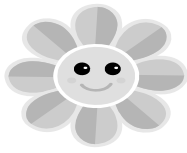
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Don't forget to celebrate Mom on May 8th!



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St. John of God School  
 May 2011 Newsletter  
**Happy Mother's Day!**

**Mother's Day Prayer**

*Lord,  
 I need your help today.  
 I want to care for those you've sent into my life,  
 To help them grow in body, mind and spirit,  
 To help them develop the special gifts  
 You've given them.  
 But I also want to free them  
 to follow their own paths  
 and bring their loving wisdom  
 to the world.  
 Help me to embrace them without clutching,  
 To support them without suffocating,  
 To correct them without crushing.  
 And help me to live joyfully and playfully  
 Myself so they can see your life in me  
 And find their way to you.*

*Amen.*

~Author Unknown

A mother's gift is to give life. But in the daily demands of feeding and forming, cleaning and cautioning, tending and teaching, her gift can get lost in the layers. She needs to remember that her work begins with herself. To be attentive to others, she must listen to her own heart. To care for others, she must take time for herself. To teach self-love to others, she must act lovingly toward her own body and her time. If she finds her own sparks, she will fan them in those around her. If she frees her own spirit, she will help others soar. If she focuses each moment by being wholly present, she will point the way to holiness and to God. And if she truly lives, she will give real life to the world, not only in her children's bodies, but in their souls.

~Passionist Missionaries

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

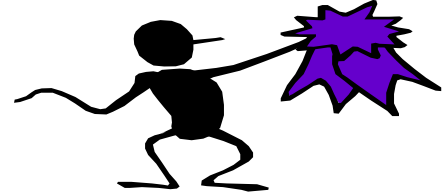
Our students will receive their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 21, 2011, at 9:00 a.m. We ask that you keep our communicants, their parents and teachers in your prayers as they prepare for this special event. Bartolo Photography will be here to take a group picture at 8:00 a.m. Please make sure your child is here on time.



**MANDATORY PARENT MEETING**



Parents please plan on attending the last **Mandatory Parent Meeting** of the school year. It will be held on **Thursday, May 26, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Large Hall. Night Time Care will be provided. (See attached form)



**HONOR ROLL**

Congratulations to the following students for making the Third Quarter Honor Roll!

**Grade 4**

Maureen Bautista  
Jessica Bui  
Patrick O'Brien  
Jacob Retana  
Laura Sarmiento  
Miranda Trejo  
Jarell Velasco  
Jeanine Viola

**Grade 5**

Amanda Almeida  
Samantha Barrios  
Jennae De Guzman  
Alexis Fabricio  
Bella Gil-Sandoval  
Brianna Hernandez  
Skye Jimenez  
Trigg Mancera  
Beda Regalado  
Matthew Rodriguez  
Philip Tafoya

**Grade 6**

Sebastian Anaya  
Dana Berroya  
Elizabeth Chabot  
Daniel Hall  
Diego Herrera  
Alexis Hipolito  
Isabella Luna  
David Munoz  
Maria Rebolledo  
Rebecca Rodriguez  
Joshua Sales  
Analyssa Swanson  
Marissa Velez

**Grade 7**

Sandy Alvarado  
Matthew Borlongan  
Daniel Guevarra  
Dana Manalo  
Cristina Sarmiento  
Joshua Viola

**Grade 8**

Mark Bautista  
Jazmin Bueno  
Mimi Granillo  
Ricki-Lou Langcay  
Katherine Le  
Don Manalo  
Kristyn Mancera  
Laura Rodriguez  
Janessa Velasco  
Timothy Wong  
Lauren Yotsov

**A.C.E AWARD**

Congratulations to all the students who earned the A.C.E. Award for the month of March. Way to go!

**Pre-K**

Nathan Alfonso  
George Calderon  
Max-Joshua Fernandez  
Andre Hernandez

**Kindergarten**

Joshua Alabanza  
Maegan Bautista  
Santiago Luna  
Roj Manalo  
Jasmine Reyes

**Grade 1**

Raquel Barquero  
Arlene Garcia  
Paris Hipolito

**Grade 2**

Jasmine Bui  
Patrice Dalipe  
Justin Enriquez  
Max Fernandez  
Celeste Gomez  
Ethan Hernandez  
Mia Jimenez  
Jacqueline Lopez  
Melissa Manalo  
Izabela Mancera  
Alyssa Santos

**Grade 3**

Caterina Almeida  
Andrea Bailey  
Andrea Mendez  
Alex Munoz  
William Park  
Madison Sanchez

**Grade 4**

Maureen Bautista  
Dianne Berroya  
Jessica Bui  
Patrick O'Brien  
Laura Sarmiento  
Christopher Swanson  
Thomas Toledo

**Grade 5**

Jennae De Guzman  
Alexis Fabricio  
Juan Gonzalez  
Skye Jimenez  
Trigg Mancera  
Daniel Serrano  
Philip Tafoya

**Grade 6**

Dana Berroya  
Matthew Duran  
Jazmin Gomez  
Daniel Hall  
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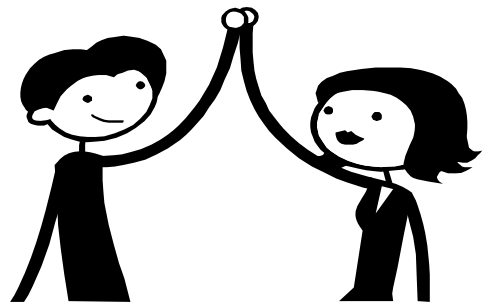
**Grade 7**

Sandy Alvarado  
Matthew Borlongan  
Danielle Enriquez  
Daniel Guevarra  
Samantha Gutierrez  
Marissa Hernandez  
Sabrina Lizarraga  
Dana Manalo  
Andrea Pastores  
Liana Perry  
Cristina Sarmiento  
Arielle Toledo  
Joshua Viola

**Grade 8**

Luis Anaya  
Mark Bautista  
Jazmin Bueno  
Crystal Gomez  
Mimi Granillo  
Steven Hall  
Ricki-Lou Langcay  
Katherine Le

Don Manalo  
Roman Martinez  
Mika Monis  
Rebecca Munoz  
Laura Rodriguez  
Arturo Sierra  
Timothy Wong





## HANDWRITING AWARD

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

### Pre-K

Eric Lopez

### Kindergarten

Mitzi Duarte

### Grade 1

Emily Valenzuela

### Grade 2

Jacqueline Lopez

### Grade 3

Harrison Vinas

### Grade 4

Dianne Berroya

### Grade 5

Bella Gil-Sandoval

### Grade 6

Patrick Vinas

### Grade 7

Cristina Sarmiento

### Grade 8

Ricki-Lou Langcay

## A.C.E AWARD

Congratulations to all the students who earned the A.C.E. Award for the month of April. Way to go!

### Pre-K

Nathan Alfonso  
Michael Davalos  
Max-Joshua Fernandez  
William Gray  
Andre Hernandez

### Kindergarten

Joshua Alabanza  
Maegan Bautista  
Michael Belo  
Monique Cardona  
Mitzi Duarte  
Keana Espina  
Jonathan Garcia  
Miguel Guerrero  
Noah Haydon  
Adrian Linares  
Santiago Luna  
Roj Manalo  
Aidan Montemayor  
Anthony Perkins  
Alyssa Reyes  
Jasmine Reyes  
Ricardo Rodriguez  
Summer Rodriguez  
Marissa Trujillo

### Grade 1

Janneel Alvarado  
Raquel Barquero  
Anthony De La Torre  
Juliana Diaz  
Arlene Garcia  
Sarah Gutierrez  
Paris Hipolito  
Ashley Obeso  
Jayson Pascual  
Andrew-Joshua Rodriguez  
Danielle Trujillo  
Loreinice Zilabbo

### Grade 2

Jasmine Bui  
Amanda Derleth  
Justin Enriquez  
Max Fernandez  
Celeste Gomez  
Ethan Hernandez  
Mia Jimenez  
Jacqueline Lopez  
Melissa Manalo  
Izabela Mancera  
Amaya Mendoza  
Isaiah Perry  
Arianna Reyes  
Alyssa Santos  
Ariana Vieyra  
Jacob Viola

### Grade 3

Caterina Almeida  
Andrea Bailey  
Niki Bautista  
Charlie Du  
Andrea Mendez  
Alex Munoz  
Jillian Pascual  
William Park  
Andres Rodriguez  
Madison Sanchez  
Harrison Vinas

### Grade 4

Maureen Bautista  
Dianne Berroya  
Adrian Franco  
Christian Garcia  
Patrick O'Brien  
Jacob Retana  
Glenn Reyes  
Laura Sarmiento  
Christopher Swanson  
Thomas Toledo  
Miranda Trejo  
Jarell Velasco  
Jeanine Viola

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**Grade 5**

Amanda Almeida  
Juan Gonzalez  
Skye Jimenez  
Beda Regalado  
Nina Rhodes

**Grade 6**

Denisse Alvarado  
Sebastian Anaya  
William Bautista  
Dana Berroya  
Jazmin Gomez  
Daniel Hall  
Sandra Herrera  
David Munoz  
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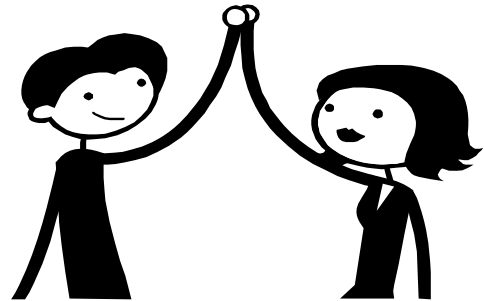
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Matthew Borlongan  
Danielle Enriquez  
Daniel Guevarra  
Samantha Gutierrez  
Kimberly Hernandez  
Marissa Hernandez  
Kevin Lopez  
Dana Manalo  
Andrea Pastores  
Liana Perry  
Cristina Sarmiento  
Arielle Toledo  
Janella Velasco  
Joshua Viola  
Annalise Wintz

**Grade 8**

Luis Anaya  
Mark Bautista  
Danica Berroya  
Jazmin Bueno  
Nathan Duran  
Crystal Gomez  
Diana Gonzalez  
Janelle Gutierrez  
Steven Hall  
Jamie Jimenez

Ricki-Lou Langcay  
Katherine Le  
Don Manalo  
Mireya Mejia  
Mika Monis  
Rebecca Munoz  
Laura Rodriguez  
Elizabeth Velasco  
Janessa Velasco



**HANDWRITING AWARD**

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

**Pre-K**

Luis Flores

**Kindergarten**

Adrian Curiel

**Grade 1**

Sophia Da Cruz Rodriguez

**Grade 2**

Amanda Derleth

**Grade 3**

Niki Bautista

**Grade 4**

Brandon Gutierrez

**Grade 5**

Brianna Hernandez

**Grade 6**

Alyssa Vieyra

**Grade 7**

Danielle Enriquez

**Grade 8**

Timothy Wong

**Congratulations!**



**IMPORTANT SCRIP NEWS**

All school families who went over their SCRIP quota and have credit toward their book fees will receive a letter from the school office.

Starting Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, SCRIP will be sold on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays out of the school office until Thursday, June 30. **The last day to place special orders is Monday, June 6.**

**SCRIP will not be sold during the month of July**, but you will be able to purchase/order SCRIP during our Registration Day(s) in August. Thank you for your support!

**ACCEPTANCE LETTERS 2011-2012**



Acceptance Letters for the 2011-2012 school year will be SENT HOME in the Family Envelope on Monday, May 16th. Please sign and return them by the due date of **Friday, May 27th.**

**SPORTS COMMITTEE NEWS**



Congratulations to all athletes from our Winter Season who participated in Girl's and Boy's Basketball. Trophies were awarded to every player and special recognition was given to those listed below. "Thank You" to our coaches, Mr. Lowell Hunley, Mrs. Priscilla Marron, Mr. Anicito Monis, Mr. Thomas Bueno and Mr. Lenny Cordero for their dedication to teaching our boys and girls the game as well as to Mr. Mario Rodriguez, our Athletic Director and the committee for planning and organizing the event. Mr. Jem Velasco, we enjoyed the slideshow you put together for the B teams, "Thank You".

**Boys' Varsity Basketball**

Most Valuable Player: Ryan Hunley  
Coach's Award: Adam Marquez  
Players' Choice: Omar Velez  
Most Improved: Joshua Viola

**Girls' Varsity Basketball**

Most Valuable Player: Laura Rodriguez  
Coach's Award: Sabrina Lizarraga  
Players' Choice: Sandy Alvarado  
Most Improved: Liana Perry

**Boys' B Basketball**

Most Valuable Player: Cody Cardenas  
Coach's Award: Eric Avalos  
Players' Choice: Lenny Cordero  
Most Improved: Sebastian Jimenez

**Girls' B Basketball**

Most Valuable Player: Skye Jimenez  
Coach's Award: Laura Sarmiento  
Players' Choice: Brianna Hernandez  
Most Improved: Dana Berroya

We thank Mr. Mario Rodriguez for serving as our Athletic Director since 2009. His dedication to our athletic program is much appreciated. A special "Congratulations" and "Thank You" for helping the school begin the process of getting new basketball courts this summer.

## STUDENT SPORTS INTEREST SURVEY (STUDENTS MUST BE ENTERING GRADES 4 – 8)

Our *St. John of God School Sports Committee* is conducting a survey of student sports interest. Results of the survey will be used to evaluate our current athletic program as well as to plan for its future development. Please complete and return this survey.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade in School 2011-2012: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle One:      Male              Female

Check one of the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ **YES:** I would like to participate in school-sponsored sports

\_\_\_\_\_ **NO:** I would not like to participate in school-sponsored sports.

COMPLETE THE NEXT PART **ONLY** IF YOU CHECKED “YES” ABOVE.

Please read through the following list of sports. Then indicate in order of your preference each activity in which you would like to participate. Use the number “1” to indicate your first choice, “2” for your second choice, etc. For example, if your first choice is Basketball and your second choice is Volleyball, place a “1” next to Basketball and a “2” next to Volleyball.

### SPORT

Flag Football (boys)                     

Volleyball (boys and girls)             

Basketball (boys and girls)             

Softball (girls)                             

Track (boys and girls)                     

Soccer (boys and girls)                     

Other (list) \_\_\_\_\_

## MERCHANT DONATIONS NEWS

Thank you for your hard work and determination in helping us eliminate the idea of waste! Visit Walmart Stores to see the brand new tote bags made from Frito-Lay bags and backpacks made out of Capri Sun drink pouches. Below are the totals our students have turned in.

Capri Sun Drink Pouches:	9,672	}	Total Money
Frito-Lay Chip Bags:	1,880		Raised: \$235.00

## RECEPTION FOR THE SISTERS OF THE HOLY FAITH



As you all know, the Sisters of the Holy Faith will be leaving St. John of God School in June. St. John of God School will be hosting a reception on Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> after the 9:30 a.m. mass. Please join us for a farewell gathering in their honor.

## GRADE 8 CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION



Confirmation registration will take place on two dates this month, Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> in the large hall. Line up early in order to get in before the doors close at 7:00 p.m. Usually, there is less traffic at the first registration date. There will not be registration on Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup> as shown in the calendar. If you have any questions, please call Jeanette Velasco at 562-863-5721 x 231.

## IMPORTANT DUE DATES TO REMEMBER



Fundraising Quota Requirement Due:	Monday, May 10, 2010
Service Hour Requirements Due:	Monday, May 10, 2010
Books/Supplies Fee Due:	Monday, May 10, 2010
Annual Fees Due:	Thursday, June 10, 2010

An error was made in the March Newsletter under Books/Supplies Fee (Gr. K-8). The April Newsletter shows the correct fee at \$250 per student. We apologize for the mistake. This is to set the records straight.

## GRADE 8 DATES

## SECOND REMINDER

### \*Financial Responsibilities (Reminders):

April 10	SCRIP Quota paid in full
April 29	Fundraising Quota paid in full
May 10	Service Hours completed/paid in full
May 5/20	Tuition paid in full
Past Due	All Outstanding Fees paid in full



**\*All Financial Obligations must be met by the due dates in order for students to receive their cap and gown, diploma, report card, and eighth-grade privileges. Please make an appointment with the principal as soon as possible if you foresee a problem regarding your financial responsibilities to the school.**

### Activities

April 18	Mandatory Eighth-Grade Parent Meeting: 6:30 p.m. (Library)
May 11	Grade 8 Graduation Group Picture 8:30 a.m. Dress: Cap and Gown. Change into Full Uniform Regular School Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
May 27	Grade 8 Retreat Dress: P.E. Uniform Regular School Hours 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Bus to and from Retreat Center Permission Slip Required

### Last Week of School

June 6	Grade 8 Awards in Church Dress: Full Uniform Regular School Hours 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. All are welcome Students receive 10 Tickets for Conferring of Diplomas/Awards in Large Hall
June 7	Regular School Hours 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Dress: P.E. Uniform
June 8	Last Formal Day of School for Grade 8 Dress: Full Uniform 12:15 p.m. Dismissal (All Grades)
June 9	Grade 8 Disneyland Privilege Dress: Free Dress Policy 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Bus to and from Disneyland Permission Slip Required

### Graduation Ceremonies

June 10	Graduation Mass in the Church: 5:00 p.m. Dress: Cap and Gown All are welcome  Conferring of Diplomas/Awards in Large Hall: 6:30 p.m. 10 tickets for each family Reception Hosted by Grade 7
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# St. John of God School Mandatory Parent Meeting

**Thursday, May 26, 2011**

**7:00 p.m. Large Hall**

We look forward to seeing our parents at this important meeting. A maximum of two service hours will be awarded each family in attendance. Be sure to sign in. The service hours will go toward next semester's requirement.

Note: Parents who have students graduating or not returning next year are not required to attend the meeting.

As usual, we are offering Night Time Care for parents with children, ages 4 and up. (Must be toilet trained.) Our wonderful parents (Grade 8) will supervise. The children will be treated to a video, popcorn, and drink. If you would like to have your child/ren attend the Night Time Care, please return the bottom portion of this letter along with \$5.00 per family to the school office by **Thursday, May 26, 8:00 a.m.**



**Night Time Care: Mandatory Parent Meeting – May 26, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.**

\_\_\_ Yes, please sign my child/ren up to attend the Night Time Care. I have enclosed the \$5.00 per family fee.

(Checks may be made out to: St. John of God School)

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Please Print)

## SCRIP VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET

Please indicate the days and time you are available.

### **Friday Afternoon Sales**

\_\_\_ Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, from 2:30pm to 3:15pm

\_\_\_ Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, from 2:30pm to 3:15pm

\_\_\_ Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, from 2:30pm to 3:15pm

\_\_\_ Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, from 2:30pm to 3:15pm

\_\_\_ Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 2:30pm to 3:15pm

### **Sunday After All Morning Masses**

\_\_\_ Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, from 7:15am to 12:30pm

\_\_\_ Sunday, May 22<sup>th</sup>, from 7:15am to 12:30pm

\_\_\_ Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, from 7:15am to 12:30pm

\_\_\_ Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, from 7:15am to 12:30pm

If you can not work from 7:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. but can work a few hours please indicate the date and time here and fill out the information below. \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Your child's name and grade \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out this form and return it to the school office.

# MAY SALE

## **\*\*SCHOOL UNIFORMITY\*\***

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MONTEBELLO, CA 90640

WILL BE HAVING A 20% OFF SALE EVERY  
MONDAY AND SATURDAY IN MAY  
BEGINNING SATURDAY MAY 7TH  
THROUGH MONDAY MAY 30TH!  
(IN STOCK ITEMS ONLY)

DON'T FORGET WE ALSO HAVE A SALE FOR  
THE MONTH OF JUNE

## SHOP EARLY!!

## PHONE ORDERS WELCOME

WE LOOK FORWARD  
TO SERVING YOU!!

(323) 726-0882