

## Virtue of the Month: PERSEVERANCE

April 16, 2009

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### Upcoming Events

- Thursday, April 16th,  
Called to Protect,  
7:00pm
- Friday, April 17th,  
Family Fun Night,  
6pm-9pm
- Sunday, April 19th,  
Altar Server Training,  
11:30am
- Tuesday, April 21st,  
Mad Science
- Wednesday, April  
22nd, School Mass,  
8:30am
- Wednesday, April  
22nd, All School  
Picture
- Sunday, April 26th,  
First Holy Communion  
Sunday
- Tuesday, April 28th,  
Mad Science
- Wednesday, April 29th,  
School Mass,  
8:30am
- Sunday, May 3rd, First  
Holy Communion  
Sunday

### Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

Mrs. Haugsten will be out on leave for a period of up to six weeks. Mrs. Patty Voelker, one of our regular substitute teachers will be filling in while Mrs. Haugsten is away.

Mrs. Voelker holds a State of Oregon Teaching license as well as a Mathematics endorsement. She is a graduate of the University of Portland. I am very pleased that she agreed to fill in during Mrs. Haugsten's absence as she is a seasoned professional.

The Parent Service Organization hosted a well attended annual event recently, The Mother/Son Bowling Night, as

many of you already know. Now, they are preparing for tomorrow night's Family Fun Night. I expect many of you will be there as it promises to be another great and fun community building event.

Just a couple of reminders, next week the all school picture (kids, teachers and staff only) is scheduled (Wednesday at 2:00). Try not to schedule appointments that afternoon as it is nice to get everyone in the picture. We will have a Jog-a-thon assembly next Monday at 2:30 if you would like to come. Progress Reports go out next Friday.

Go Trailblazers!

Sincerely,  
Michael Cantu,  
Principal



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## News from the School Office

If your student is practicing for the Great Spanish Challenge, siblings may join the practice before school on Tuesdays and Thursdays and after school on Tuesdays.

The All School Picture is next Wednesday. Please have all order forms returned to the school by then. Extra order forms are available in the school office.

## Save the Date

**Friar Trot and Jog-A-Thon**, May 15th and 16th

**General Parent Meeting**, Friday, May 29th.

**The Golf Tournament** will be Sunday, May 31st in the afternoon at Langdon Farms Golf Club.



## PSO

**PSO Family Fun Night**, Join us tomorrow night for Family Fun Night from 6pm-9pm.

**PSO Officer Positions:** Candidates are being sought to fill two positions on the Executive Committee of the Parent Service Organization. These are two year positions that contribute greatly to the overall quality of St. Francis School through fund raising and community building activities as well as in enhancing the communication link between the school administration and the parent community. The positions open are Vice President and Secretary. If you are interested in either of these positions or more information contact Shellie Lazo or Mr. Cantu before April 30th. Elections will be held in May.

## Auction News

Come to the auction meeting Monday, May 4th at 7pm. Earn auction share hours and participate in the planning process.

\*\*\*\*\*Check out our new Auction Website for all your auction news at

[stfrancisauktion2009.pbwiki.com](http://stfrancisauktion2009.pbwiki.com)\*\*\*\*\*



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# Friar Trot and Jog-a-thon

## "Got Pledges?"

The St. Francis Friar Trot (May 16) and Jog-a-thon (May 15) are right around the corner! Last year the children raised almost \$10,000 in Jog-a-thon pledges! Outstanding!! Net proceeds from the Friar Trot and Jog-a-thon events go directly towards building the new gymnasium. So let's do it again this year! **Pledge forms will be sent home with each child next week!** For more information about either event...or to register online for the Friar Trot 10K/5K/1mi...go to [www.thefriartrot.com](http://www.thefriartrot.com).



## St. Francis Parish News

**Vacation Bible School** registration begins this weekend after each Mass. You can sign up in the Narthex.

**Alter Server Training** will be held on Sunday, April 19th after the 10:30 Mass. Meet at the back of the Church. Training is available to all youth who are at least 9 years old and have made their First Holy Communion. Please call Pat Allen at 503-625-5245 or send an email to [pmallen@yahoo.com](mailto:pmallen@yahoo.com) to sign up or for more information.

## Out of Parish News

**Northwest Family Services** will offer a Mother-Daughter Program on Sunday, April 19th from 2-4 for girls ages 9 to 12 and their mother or guardian and a Father-Son Program on Sunday, April 19th from 6-8 for boys ages 10-13 and their father or guardian. See the fliers in today's envelope for more information.

**2009 Jesuit Summer School** information and registration are available at the School Office or at [www.jesuitportland.org](http://www.jesuitportland.org).