

Virtue of the Month: Perseverance

April 22, 2010

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Upcoming Events

- Monday, April 26th, Young Rembrandt, 3:15-4:15
- Tuesday, April 27th, Mad Science, 3:15-4:15
- Wednesday, April 28th, School Mass, 8:30am
- Monday, May 3rd, Young Rembrandt, 3:15-4:15
- Tuesday, May 4th, Mad Science, 3:15-4:15
- Wednesday, May 5th, School Mass, 8:30am, May Crowning
- Wednesday, May 5th, All School Picture
- Thursday, May 6th, Cinco de Mayo Celebration
- Friday, May 7th, Noon Dismissal

Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

I will be brief in my letter today as the Thursday packet includes your child's Progress Report. This will be the last Report Card before the end of the year.

Please remind your child to stay focused and finish the year strong. The teachers are all working hard to complete a very positive school year.

Father Tom is currently reviewing Parish subsidy applications. Each subsidy represents a significant measure of financial support (\$850.00 per child) from St. Francis Parish. Just as a reminder, to qualify for the parish subsidy, a school/parish family must be actively involved in the life of the parish and regularly attend Sunday Mass. You will be notified of his decision once he has completed this review.

School families that applied for financial assistance will be notified by the end of next week. The process establishing need and matching that need with funds included an evaluation of each family's application by an outside assessment company (FACTS) who sent their finding to the Archdiocese and me. The Archdiocese evaluates those findings and makes awards based upon need and funds available. I then supplement those awards based once again on need and funds available. My findings are based upon these evaluations and are blindly reviewed by a member of the Parish Administrative Council before a final review and approval by our Pastor. We had a total of \$10,500.00 in assistance funds to use for this purpose, \$4500.00 from the Archdiocese and \$6000.00 primarily raised through our Golf Tournament last spring.

We are running into some unexpected absences by some of our students that go away on holiday. Please notify the office and the teacher if you are planning a trip and your child will be away from school. A form for this purpose is available from Gretchen.

Thank you,

Michael Cantu,

Principal



Noon Dismissal

Friday, May 7th

News from the School Office

Family Picture: Send in a family picture for Fr. Tom's "School Families" photo album.

Yearbooks can still be ordered. The price is \$22

The all school picture has been rescheduled for Wednesday, May 5th.

No before or after school Spanish on Thursday, May 6th.

Cinco de Mayo Celebration, Thursday, May 6th: (Parents are invited)

8:30 Jr. Great Spanish Challenge Grades K-2

10:00 Great Spanish Challenge Grades 3-8

1:00 Cinco de Mayo Music Program

Wanted for PE: 5 more used (but usable) tennis rackets

Friar Trot

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REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR THE
FIFTH ANNUAL FRIAR TROT WALK/RUN
10K/5K/1 MILE



WWW.THEFRIARTROT.COM

Our school's Fifth Annual Friar Trot will take place on May 14th and 15th, 2010. This begins with our kid's Jog-A-Thon during school on May 14th. Following, on May 15th, our school will host a Community 10k/ 5k and 1 Mile Walk/Run starting on our campus and winding throughout the city of Old Town Sherwood. Immediately following the event will be an on-site "After Party" with beer/brats/face painting/live music! **The children of our school will receive free entry into The Friar Trot, so no need to register them!** (timing chip not included). This event is taking place to help raise the funds to build our gymnasium. Please bring your friends, neighbors and family and join in the fun. This is a community event. We already have registrations coming in from as far away as Oklahoma! We need your support either by attending or volunteering. We cannot do this without our school families! Call or e-mail Jennifer Vranizan or

St. Francis School Golf Classic

The 6th Annual St. Francis Golf Classic will be held Saturday June, 12th 2010 at Langdon Farms at 12:30PM. Registration is now open. This promises to be another great event to raise money to support our financial assistance program. In addition to golf, awards banquet, and post tournament dinner, the extremely popular Helicopter Ball Drop is back with the winner walking away with \$300.

Registration forms and sponsorship information can be found at the Golf Classic website, <http://stfrancisgolfclassic.shutterfly.com/>.

Spots fill up quickly, so round up your family, friends and neighbors and register your foursome today. Singles and Doubles welcome too!! **Register your foursome by Friday April 23rd and receive 4 entries into the Helicopter Ball Drop and your Team Mulligans for FREE!!! (\$55 value).**

We need your help! We are looking for donations for prizes and raffle drawings. Donation ideas include: sporting equipment, golf course, department store, and restaurant gift certificates, guiding fishing trips, Blazers, Timbers, Ducks, or Beavers tickets, cash too! The list goes on and on. Please contact Ralph Mooers, 503.925.0988, mooersr@yahoo.com or Bob Carter, 503.703.3234, bc.carter@verizon.net with questions.



Parish News

Vacation Bible School

Registration for Vacation Bible School "High Seas Expedition" will take place the weekends of May 8-9 and 15-16th. Preschool/Kindergarten space is limited! VBS will take place June 21-25, 9:15 am-12:15 pm.

****We are in need of adult sized shoe boxes, newspaper & paper grocery bags****

Please leave these items in the box marked VBS located in the Narthex or drop them off in the Parish office. Thank you!

In May, the Mom's Group Bible Study will be studying the Acts of the Apostles using the *Ignatius Catholic Study Bible* by Scott Hahn and Curtis Mitch. This book uses "the biblical text itself and the Church's own guidelines for understanding the Bible." This study is open to all women of the parish. If you are interested, please contact Rachel Morrow 503-538-0292 or formorrow4@aol.com by April 23rd so enough books can be ordered (cost will be around \$10)

Out of Parish News

Jesuit High School Raffle: Jesuit High School is raffling off a stunning, dark green 2010 Jeep Wrangler Sport SUV worth almost \$22,000!



Only 600 tickets will be sold! Odds of winning are much greater than most local raffles and certainly much better than the lottery!

This Jeep features a refined 3.8 liter, V-6 cylinder engine. It includes a CD player, an I-Pod jack, MP3 decoder, AM/FM radio, four-wheel drive and much more!

The Raffle will be held on Saturday, May 1 at 9:45 p.m. at our Live Gala Auction. Winner need not be present to win. All proceeds help to keep the doors of Jesuit open for all qualified students.



One Day Only Garage Sale: April 24th, 8-5 in the Old Hall will be a multi-family fund raising sale to raise money for the Ecco Ridge Equestrian Vaulting Team. Nicole Jolibois has been a part of this team for almost 2 years. Come find your treasures while supporting Nicole and her team. Thank you!