

Virtue of the Month: CHARITY

November 19, 2009

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Upcoming Events

- Thursday, Nov. 19th,
Jump Rope Team
Practice, 3:15-4:15
- Friday, Nov. 20th,
Noon Dismissal
- Wednesday, Nov. 25th,
School Mass,
8:30AM
- Wednesday, Nov. 25th,
Noon Dismissal
- Nov. 26th and 27th, No
School
- Wednesday, Dec. 2nd,
School Mass,
8:30AM
- Dec. 3rd-Dec. 9th,
Book Fair
- Thursday, Dec. 3rd,
Jump Rope Team
Practice, 3:15-4:15
- Friday, Dec. 4th, PSO
Family Fun Night,
6:00-8:30
- Tuesday, Dec. 8th,
School Mass,
8:30AM
- Wednesday, Dec. 9th,
No School Mass

Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

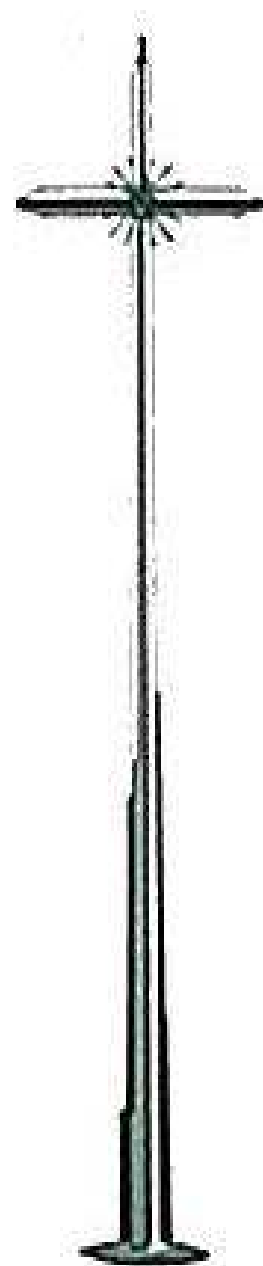
Last week I attended a Capital Campaign meeting regarding our future gym. I would like to share the following information that came out in that meeting. First of all, let me say that we are now truly close to getting started. We have one last hurdle and that is we need to raise an additional \$165,000 in pledges to secure our loan. The plan is to secure these pledges by December 31, 2009 to fulfill the terms of securing this loan. What can you do? First of all, if you have pledged, thank you. If you would like to extend your pledge that would be great and would count toward this needed pledge amount. If you have not yet pledged and are in a financial position to do so, contact me and I will put you in touch with the pledge coordinator. If you are not in financial position to pledge, you can still help by praying for the successful completion of our efforts to expand the educational enhancements that the gym and library/media center

will provide. If all goes well, we are likely to start construction this coming March and if we do, are looking to complete the project in early fall of next year! We will also be building a new parking lot/blacktop play area that is scheduled to go in first and will be located in a cleared area just behind the current swings. Every effort will be made to save trees and we hope to have minimal impact on the beautiful trees that grace our parish grounds.

Sincerely,

Michael Cantu,

Principal



Book Fair

Mark your calendars for this year's Scholastic Book Fair!

We will open on Thursday December 3 and close on Wednesday December 9th. Plan to do some Christmas shopping and help our school get more books for our classrooms and library.

This year we are also participating in an event called One for Books. The children can bring in change to donate. The money we collect will go to buy new books for a school in need. Also, for every dollar donated Scholastic donates one book to others in need.

Many Volunteers are needed to run the fair! If you can help please stop by the office and sign up or call Laura Larsen 503-570-1134. THANKS!!!!

News from the School Office

**Noon Dismissal,
Friday, November
20th and
Wednesday,
November 23rd.**

Missing a camera bag? There is one in the school's lost and found from October 30th.

Jump Rope Camp at the YMCA: Mrs. Hatfield will be offering a jump rope camp at the YMCA on two days during Christmas vacation. Contact the Y for more information

Auction

Do you have that "hard to shop for person"? Stop by this Sunday morning after Mass to bid on the last few auction items. Get a head start on your holiday shopping!

See's Candy

Order your See's Candy now for Christmas or purchase a box as a thank you for someone this Thanksgiving. Proceeds go towards 6th grade Outdoor School.

St. Francis Parish News

Thanksgiving Day Mass 9:30AM

As you enjoy your Thanksgiving dinner, those less fortunate will also have a dinner.

I thank you all for making this possible with your generous donation.

May God bless you

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