

Our Special Note of Thanks....

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As the 2011 year comes to an end, we want to thank you for the many ways you have continued to support our St. Joseph Community. We especially thank you for your generosity in donating many canned goods, toys for tots, and monetary donations given at our school co sponsored Dawn Mass for our parish ministries. In giving to others, you are modeling what we work to instill in our students which is to share God's love by reaching out to those who are in need.

This year the theme for Catholic Schools Week is:



Let us continue to work together to deepen our faith in God and build God's kingdom, encourage our children to do their best work in school, and to generously serve God and others in our mission as evangelists. Join us for the many upcoming events of our celebrating Catholic Schools Week. More information will be forthcoming.

Have a very safe and enjoyable vacation. May God continue to bless all of you with the His great unconditional love and Peace that He gives to each of us.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Ms. Sandobal

Preparing for Sunday's Mass

The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God January 1, 2012

First Reading Nm 6:22-2 **Second Reading** Gal 4:4-7 **Gospel** Lk 2:16-21

What's the significance of a name? For the Jewish people the giving of a name had great importance. When a name was given it represented what that person should be in the future. An unknown name meant that someone could not be completely known. To not acknowledge someone's name meant both denial of the person, destruction of their personality, and change in their destiny. A person's name expressed the reality of his or her being at its deepest level. A Jewish child was named at the time of circumcision, eight days after birth. This rite was instituted by God as an outward sign to single out those who belonged to the chosen people. It was a sign of the covenant that God made with Abraham and his posterity.

In fulfillment of this precept, Mary's newborn child is given the name *Jesus* on the eighth day according to the Jewish custom. Joseph and Mary gave the name *Jesus* because that is the name given by God's messenger before Jesus was conceived in Mary's womb. This name signifies Jesus' identity and his mission. The literal Hebrew means *the Lord saves*. Since God alone can forgive sins, it is God who, in Jesus his eternal Son made man *will save his people from their sins* (Matthew 1:21). In the birth and naming of this child we see the wondrous design and plan of God in giving us a Savior who would bring us grace, mercy, and freedom from the power of sin and the fear of death. The name *Jesus* signifies that the very name of God is present in the person of his Son who became man for our salvation. Peter the Apostle exclaimed that *there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved* (Acts 2:12). In the name of Jesus demons flee, cripples walk, the blind see, the deaf hear, and the dead are raised. His name is exalted far above every other name (Philippians 2:9-11). The name *Jesus* is at the heart of all Christian prayer. It is through and in Jesus that we pray to the Father in the power of the Holy Spirit. Many Christians have died with one word on the lips, the name of Jesus. Do you exalt the name of Jesus and pray with confidence in his name?

"Lord Jesus Christ, I exalt your name above every other name. For in you I have pardon, mercy, grace and victory over sin and death. You humbled yourself for my sake and for the sake of all sinners by sharing in our humanity and by dying on the cross. Help me to always praise your holy name and to live for your greater glory."



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PHYSICAL EDUCATION and Drama
P.E. Uniform Required.

Monday, January
NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, January 3rd (A)
KA, 1A, 1B, 6A, 6B

Wednesday January 4th (B)
8A, 8B

Thursday, January 5th (C)
KB, 1A, 1B, 4A, 4B

Friday, January 6th (D)
3A, 3B, 6A, 6B

Important Upcoming Dates

Tuesday, January 3rd
First day of the 3rd Quarter

Wednesday, January 4th

Morning Prayer Service led by 8B



Monday, January 9th

Morning Prayer Service led by 7A



Monday, January 9th - Saturday, January 14th

National Vocation Awareness Week



Monday, January 16th

NO SCHOOL
Martin Luther King Jr. Day



Tuesday, January 17th

Morning Prayer Service led by 7B



Sunday, January 22nd

March for Life at the State Capitol



To all our Parents and Guardians- **ADULT SACRAMENTAL CLASSES**

We invite you to find out more about what your children are learning in their Religion class. Do you or a loved one desire to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation? **Adult Sacramental Classes are starting in January 2012.** Register now for the Adult Sacramental Classes starting in January 2012. *The Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation can be received on Easter 2012.* Applications are at the Parish office or at the entrance of the church. Volunteers will be available after all the December 10, 11, 17, and 18 masses to help your register and answer any questions. They will be located in front of the Parish office. Please call Ron Davin #479-0889 or Anna Parks #352-3251 for more information.

Class Orientation on January 3, 2012

Classes start on January 10, 2012

Our Special Intentions

We pray for...

- Our LaSalette community.
- Mr. Julian Esdicul, husband of Diane, former Vice Principal.
- Aunty Nicole by Chaz (5A) and Cody (graduate).
- Janet Snow, grandmother of Caden Townsend (KB) and Samuel Hallyburton (5A).
- Mrs. Regina Salisbury.
- Leonard Medeiros, brother of Mrs. Deponte, grand uncle of Trey (8A).
- Rodrigo Salacup, grandfather of Azaleigh Salacup (PreK).
- Sherna Reonal (6A).
- Christen Hernandez, friend of Ms. Tamashiro (KA Teacher)
- Alicia Concepcion, grandmother of Christina (8A) and Christian (2A) Andres.
- Dianne Dela Vega, grandmother of Shyanne (8A).
- Albert Kia, grandfather of Robbie (2B) and Noah (KB) Kia.
- Leoncia Balisacan, great grandma of Saydi (Pre K) and grandmother of Mrs. Joyce (KB Teacher Assistant)
- Mrs. Kanani Matautia, friend of Mrs. Aipoalani.
- Rudolfo Ramiro, dad of Melissa and Rosemarie (alumni) and uncle of Charlene (5A).
- Mrs. Tokuda, mother of Ms. Grace (Cafeteria Manager).
- David and Sandie Gantner.
- Ms. Sandobal.
- Great grandfather of Robbie(2B), Noah (KB),and grandfather of Mrs. Kia (4A Teacher).
- Mrs. Irene Sandry.
- Reverend Clarence Guerreiro, ss.cc., Pastor of St. Patrick Church.
- Jason Davis and Family.
- Bryce Davis and Family.
- Loretta Apostadiro, great grandmother of Courtney Everett (6B).
- Hitoye China.
- Mrs. Deidra Pinho, mother of Mr. Mark Pinho (6B Teacher).
- Samuel Hallyburton (5A).
- Tomasa Rios, aunt of Mrs. Soto (Computer Teacher).
- Victoriano Abel , grandfather of Jovic (alumni Class of 2011).
- Cassidy Kiaha, former student of St. Joseph, sister of Cherilen (alumni of St. Joseph).
- Silvino Dela Cruz, grandfather of Jessica Sargent (2A).
- For speedy recovery and healing mercy of Gerondia A. Mallonga and Angelito Mallonga, sister and brother-in-law of Sister Judith Abique, SPC. (Religion Coordinator).
- Mrs. Mary Bartello, mother of Mrs. Nancy Ribultan (former teacher), who passed away.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Monday, January 9-14

Sunday, January 22

Thursday, January 26

Friday, January 27

Monday, January 30 –February 3

National Vocation Awareness Week

March for Life at the State Capitol

General PTG Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

PTG Fun Run

Catholic Schools Week