

The PULSE

Sacred Heart Parish School

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Mission Statement

Sacred Heart Parish School, a Catholic Elementary School within San Benito County serves students preschool through eighth grade.

We are committed to teaching the gospel message of Christ, building community based on Jesus' command to love one another, and serving through prayer, worship, and social action. We provide an environment within which students receive training in our Catholic tradition.

We strive to develop competent and compassionate graduates through spiritual, academic and extracurricular programs. Students are empowered with leadership skills, values, and character traits to enrich personal living and develop as responsible, mature, faith-filled citizens.



FUN NIGHT NEWS

Looking for fundraising hours?

If so, please call Tina Garza @ 902-7415 or Mari Morin @ 207-0949.

The Fun Night Committee still needs volunteers for Ticket Sales, Ticket Counting, and Staffing Booths.

Fun Night is the primary fundraiser for PASS. Your PASS board is responsible for many activities for SHPS which include: campus beautification, Grandparent's Day, Science Fair, Teacher Appreciation, picnic day, and graduation to name just a few. The proceeds from Fun Night help to make these programs and more possible for our school. In order to keep our expenses as low as possible, we invite sponsors to support Fun Night.

Please join us for the **Student Council Inauguration** Thursday, October 8th at 1:15PM in Sacred Heart Church. This ceremony is where the commissioners and representatives are formally installed into office. A short reception will follow in the meeting room for commissioners, representatives and their families.

Parent Teacher conferences will take place on **Monday, October 12th for Junior High students**. Group conferences are being scheduled for Jr High students on the afternoon of **Tuesday, October 13th** and it will be a minimum day for students in grades 6—8.

Tuesday, October 13th is reserved for **Elementary grade (1-5) conferences**. Schedules will be sent home this week. If you need to reschedule please call the office @ 637-4157.

Peace and Blessings,

Mrs. Jurevich



Bingo News

No Bingo Friday 10-2-09
(Refinish Gym Floor)

No Bingo Friday 10-23-09
(Set-up for Fun Night)

Pulse News:

This year we are sending the Pulse electronically. If you would like to receive a hard copy of the Pulse, let your child's teacher know so we can make arrangements to send one home with your child.



Did you know? The computer lab is open every Tuesday, Wednesday (non-minimum days) and Thursday from 3:00p.m. - 4:00p.m? This gives your son or daughter an opportunity to complete or correct any assignments completed in computer class. I would like to encourage Junior High parents to teach their child(ren) how to check RenWeb for any missing assignments and grades in all their subjects.

Currently, the **sixth graders** are learning how to properly cite published works according to the MLA format. Sixth graders have learned that spelling counts when searching for information on the internet. This is an important concept to master because students will begin working on their Saint report in the computer lab. This includes internet research, typing and proofreading their work. Miss Westphal and I will be working together to help students do their very best.

The **seventh grade** students have completed their PowerPoint presentations based on information from interviews they conducted with a fellow classmate. All of the presentations were very good. Students are encouraged to remember who their audience is and keep their presentation interesting by making it easy to read with contrasting text and background.

What is the "brain" of the computer? What are the different computer parts? Which software should you use to show data from a science experiment? These are some of the questions that are being asked of the **eighth grade** students at Sacred Heart Parish School. Next project, they will be creating a budget to help save money to purchase Christmas presents. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. Sincerely, Miss Tiller



Fun Night Presale Tickets—Forms will be sent home. You can use this form to order Fun Night tickets in advance for your family and friends. Your tickets will be bagged up and distributed to your children the week of Fun Night. Order Presale Tickets and you won't have to wait in line on the big night! You also get a great deal on tickets this way—they are half price! **Presale Ticket orders and payments are due at the school office on Friday October 16.** Fun Night presale tickets will also be available at Postal Graphics (in the Nob Hill Shopping Center) through Saturday, October 24. Once Saturday evening arrives all tickets will be full price!!!



EQ Fact: Ongoing research consistently states that a strong emotional health is the predictor of a child's well-being, influencing his or her success in school, relationships with family and friends, and the ability to make healthy choices.
EQ and Your Adolescent: 11-15 Years available for purchase in the school office for \$18.00 for those parents that missed the meeting.



Memories from the Class of 2009

Being at Sacred Heart practically my whole life, I have SO many great memories. I'll never forget all the friends I've made. I'll never forget all the friends I've made and held onto all these years. They helped me become who I am today and I thank them for that! - **Gianna Brigantino**

Important Dates to Remember

October	5-6	Mon-Tue	Completion of ITBS Testing (Grades 2—8)
	5	Monday	1st grade Field Trip
	6	Tuesday	Flag Football 7th Gr. San Juan vs. SH @ SH @ 4:00pm Flag Football 8th Gr. San Juan vs. SH @ SH @ 5:00pm VB 7th Gr. SH vs. Spring Grove @ Spring Grove @ 4:00pm VB 8th Gr. SH vs. Spring Grove @ Spring Grove @ 4:45pm
	7	Wednesday	VB 7th Gr. SH vs. Oakwood @ Oakwood @ 4:00pm VB 8th Gr. SH vs. Oakwood @ Oakwood @ 4:45pm
	8	Thursday	Student Council Inauguration @ 1:15pm VB 7th Gr. SH vs. Spring Grove @ Spring Grove @ 4:00pm VB 8th Gr. SH vs. Spring Grove @ Spring Grove @ 4:45pm
	11	Sunday	Children's Liturgy @ 10:30am St. Benedict Church
	12	Monday	Jr. High Parent Conferences—NO SCHOOL FOR 6-8 STUDENTS
	13	Tuesday	Elementary Parent Conferences NO SCHOOL FOR 1-5 STUDENTS Minimum Day for Jr. High
	14	Wednesday	Minimum Day — Faculty Meeting
	19	Monday	Kindergarten Field Trip

School Liturgical schedule is available on the website: www.sacredheartschool.org

Upcoming PASS Meeting October 5

All parents/guardians and staff are invited to attend the monthly PASS Board Meetings. The meetings are held the first Monday of every month, in the school library. This month's PASS meeting will be held on **Monday, October 5 at 4:15pm in the school library**. Please join us to find out what's going on, or if you'd like to support us in any of our activities! See you then!



Attention !!

Parent Conferences are Approaching!!

Conference schedules are being sent home with the students on Monday, Oct. 5. Please call the office if you need to reschedule your appointed time or if you did not receive your conference time.

Design the Dept. of Catholic Schools

Christmas Card 2009

Contest for grades PS through 8th grade all students of Monterey Diocese Schools.

Contest details will be sent home with your child. **Deadline is October 16.**

Prize: A \$100 Scholarship-in-the-Arts from the Dept. of Catholic Schools will be credited to each winner's **tuition balance at school**. Winners will be announced **November 16.**

Thoughtful Moments

Real obedience

Jesus told the story of two sons whose father gave them instructions. The first son refused at first, but then obeyed. The second son pretended to obey but didn't. It isn't easy to be Christian and like the first son, we may balk at first. In the end, we follow God's laws because we love him and we know his way leads us to happiness.

PARENT TALK

When my brother and his fiancé said they were coming for a weekend visit, I was thrilled. It would be a wonderful opportunity for my children to spend time with their uncle and the woman who would soon be their aunt.

My excitement faded when I learned that my brother expected different sleeping arrangements than I had in mind. He anticipated that they would share a room.

With two children approaching their teenage years, I felt it was important that the rules in our home apply to visitors. Marriage is a blessed sacrament and I wanted my children to understand that it comes with joys and privileges worth waiting for. Sharing a room is one of them. Although displeased, my brother respected my concern and the two enjoyed their stay without incident.

When they later returned as a married couple, they were thrilled to share a room in our home together.

Prayer Corner

We pray for all those who have died recently and for their families. For all who are suffering from cancer, especially, **Colleen Parga's Aunt & Mary Ward**. For **Penny Gormon**, who still needs a new heart. For **Mrs. Higgins** who will have surgery soon and **Mike Hicks** who is recovering from surgery. For all who have died from sickness and swine flu. For the **Manderson's grandma who recently died**. For **Ted Kennedy**. For the needs of our parish and school community and all our friends and benefactors.

Pope Benedict's general prayer intention for October 2009 is "That Sunday may be lived as the day on which Christians gather to celebrate the risen Lord, participating in the Eucharist."



Sacred Heart Parish School is having a "Design a Christmas Card" contest

This contest is open to Preschool through 8th grade students.

Deadline to submit your entry by **October 16th**.

Flyers will be sent home with the students this week.

Prizes

1st Place-\$75, 2nd Place-\$50, 3rd Place-\$25

Winners will be announced Nov. 2nd.

Call to Service

Serving from the heart is at the core of the Sacred Heart Parish School Volunteer Program. While Sacred Heart is a community of believers, it is also a high commitment school. It is our hope when we serve the school, whether it's cleaning up from lunch or chairing a major fundraiser, we give it our all and serve "heartily as unto the Lord".

The **Executive Committee of the Board** is seeking to fill the **position of Secretary**. The Secretary is responsible for meeting minutes, coordinating with Executive Committee members to prepare agenda, provide leadership for Board meetings.

The bottom **cushions of the chairs** in the meeting room are in need of recovering. Anyone interested? Please contact the school office.

We are requesting **lunch recess parent volunteers**. If you have time during the day to spend 30-60 minutes to assist our yard duty supervisors. Of course, time spent will count towards parent hours. You will need to have completed all volunteer requirements as well as an in-service prior to first playground duty. Please contact the office to provide days/times preferences.

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Campus Clean-up before the rain

Large items around school need to be taken to the dump

Paint stencil numbers on exterior of classroom doors

Remove tree from front entrance at south end of building

Re-stake and straighten tree in Kinder/PS area

Paint infinity symbol/re-paint map in playground area

Prune trees behind Early Childhood wing
away from roof top

Sweep up tan bark from around play area
and rototill tan bark in both play areas.



Special Thank You's

Thank You **Suzan Slater** our new Silent Auction chair!

Thank you **Danny Souza** for volunteering to perform some campus clean-up activities.

Applause!! To our **Fair Booth volunteers**. Thank you for set-up, staffing and clean-up!!



We really appreciate our classroom volunteers. We believe that both parents and teachers are the most significant role models for students, and the relationship between the two needs to model one of respect and caring

A parent's presence in the classroom is not only very helpful to our teachers but conveys to children the importance the parent places on their education.



Shhhh... It's a SILENT AUCTION!!! Shhhhhhh... No need to say a word.

But, make sure you know that....

This year, our Fun Night will incorporate a **Silent Auction of Themed Gift Baskets**. On **Monday, October 5th**, boxes will be in place in each of the classrooms for items needed for your class gift basket. Below you will find the theme for your classroom and a few ideas too...

Family Fun Night (board games, cards, popcorn, movies, movie tickets, etc) **Ms. Mona PS-PM**
 Dog Basket (treats, food, collar, brush etc) **Mrs. Alipaz PS-AM.**
 Cooking (cookbooks, pot holders, measuring spoons, pan etc) **Pre-K Mrs. Sanchez**
 Gardening (tools, seeds, kneeler, pots, etc) **K Mrs. Zanger**
 Sports (balls, bats, goal net, equipment) **1st Mrs. Canez**
 Pizza making kit (pan, board, slicer, sauce, napkins etc) **2nd Mrs. Andrade**
 Baking (cupcake kits, cake deco, utensils, baking books, sprinkles, etc) **3rd Mrs. Stevens**
 Chocolate Paradise (anything chocolate) **4th Mrs. Mottau**
 Beverage & goodies (coffee, tea, scones, biscotti, grinder, spoon set, cups and saucers, etc) **5th Mrs. Connors**
 Picnic (supplies, containers, napkins, etc.) **6th Miss. Young**
 BBQ and Beverages (charcoal, bbq glove, utensils, starter fluid, platter, etc) **7th Miss. Pellin**
 Pasta and Vine (cookbooks, sauces, olive oil, pasta, strainers, utensils, etc) **8th Mr. Strnad**
 Fondue & Champagne (skewers, block of chocolate, cookbook, plates, dipping cups, pot, candles, glasses, etc.) **8th Mrs. Westphal**

Please bring an item or items (approx. \$5-10) to contribute to the theme of your class' silent auction basket **by Friday, October 16th.**

Have FUN with your theme!!!! Be Creative!!!!

Think of something that may surround the idea. Find a unique item, you would like to have if you were the winning bid! If you don't have time to shop, just drop an envelope with any amount you are comfortable with into the box. Assigned shoppers will shop for items which best suit your class basket theme and needs for you.



FREE ADMISSION!!!! Mark your Calendars!!!

Limited Spaces Available!!!!

1st Annual Champagne and Strawberries Basket Wrapping Party

Friday, October 16th- from 7-9pm.

Please call for directions and reservations to Suzan Slater (408) 842-2718