

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.

Celebrating Catholic Education

*November 14, 2009
San Juan Oaks Golf Club*

*Tickets are available
in the Office
\$65/Person
(Tax Deductible)*

Come join us for evening of celebrating those individuals who have given so much of their time, talent and treasure to Catholic education.

Attending Mass is the most important thing families do each week, but even the most committed sometimes fall into a Sunday slump. So think outside of the box and consider changing it up a little to make Sunday truly special. **Attend Mass somewhere else.** Sometimes being in a different environment can make it more interesting for children. See what statues, relics or architecture may be different from that in our church. A different church also shows that the Catholic faith is universal. There are people in little towns and big cities all over the world who come together at Mass to praise God. **Make it a date.** Invite another family to join you and enjoy breakfast afterward. **Go on a Saturday night.** If Sundays are busy days, Saturday evening is a great alternative.

Our next Children's Mass is being prepared by Ms. Young's sixth grade class on November 8th at 10:30am at St. Benedict Church. Any student who attends the Children's Mass in their uniform will have free-dress the following Monday.

Peace and Blessings,

Mrs. Jurevich

Pre-K and Kindergarten conferences

Friday, November 6th

NO SCHOOL
(schedules went home)



**Parent Info Night
grades 6—8**

November 10 @ 6:00pm

Adolescence is the second largest period of brain growth in the human lifetime. Ever wonder why teens become so curious and experimental? Come learn about the adolescent brain and the effects of substance abuse....

Eighth Grade News

St. Francis visit @ SHPS November 10th, 12:00pm.

Open House round-up:

Notre Dame Wednesday, November 4th from 5:00—7:00pm;

PALMA Sunday, November 15th 12:00—3:00pm;

Santa Catalina Upper School Sunday, November 15th 1:00—4:00pm

St Francis Sunday, November 22, 2009 from 1:00 - 4:00pm

Monte Vista Christian Sunday, December 6th

Pumpkin Contest Results.....

Scariest

1. Alec Garcia
2. JP Scott
3. Riley Drexler

Funniest

1. Jack Gillio
2. Emily Edgerle
3. Rafael Ascencio

Best Carved

1. Margaux Hayford
2. Ashley Raich
3. Madison Alipaz

Best Decorated

1. Grace Gillio
2. Kinsey Canez
3. Leah Cottrell

Most Original

1. Ann Sleight
2. Adam McCullough
3. Mary Claire Scott



I have many memories from before now. One was how many amazing friends I made. The people I go from class to class with have become some of my favorite people. The antics of the boys and constant conversations of us girls. My favorite memories were of my friends. My friends are always there for me and always have been. I will never forget my great teachers. Science was confusing in the 7th grade and math in the 6th. I'm glad that it was cleared up and we were left with phenomenal teachers. I will never forget my memorable years here at Sacred Heart.—**Toree Muxlow**

Important Dates to Remember

November	2	Monday	Mass of All Souls @ 1:15pm PASS Board meeting @ 4:15pm
	4	Wednesday	Minimum Day
	6	Friday	Pre-K & Kindergarten—NO SCHOOL conferences
	8	Sunday	Children’s Liturgy
	9	Monday	Science Camp Meeting @ 6:30pm (Parents & students)
	10	Tuesday	St. Francis High School visit 12:00 (8th grade) Hearing Screening
	11	Wednesday	No School/Veterans Day
	12	Thursday	Pre-K & Kindergarten Parent Info Night—Raising a Reader
	14	Saturday	Celebrating Catholic Education Dinner 6pm-11pm
	16	Monday	Holiday Food Drive
	18	Wednesday	Minimum Day
	24	Tuesday	All School Mass @ St. Benedicts @ 8:00AM
	25-29		Thanksgiving Break

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

Upcoming PASS Meeting November 2nd

All parents/guardians and staff are invited to attend the monthly PASS Board Meetings. The meetings are normally held the first Monday of every month, in the school library. This month’s PASS meeting will be held on **Monday, November 2 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!



EQ Corner

EQ Fact: When children hear adults talk about their feelings, they are 100% more likely to talk about their own feelings. When a child is comfortable talking about his/her feelings, the parents are always aware of what is happening in their children’s life.

EQ SkillBuilder: Take time this week to talk about your feelings in front of your child.

Parent Info Night Pre-K and Kindergarten November 12 @ 6:00pm

Raising a Reader

Come find out information on our new program and resources available to parents.



See’s candy order forms will be sent next week. The **See’s** candy fundraiser supports Student Council activities. They make great gifts for friends, family and business associates.



Thoughtful Moments

Good questions

Before you ask your child a question, think about why you are asking. Are you looking for information or does a statement work better? "Why don't you ever remember to feed the dog?" serves no constructive purpose. Instead, think about saying, "You haven't fed the dog and he looks hungry." A statement of the problem gives your child the chance to come up with his own solution.

Prayer Corner

We pray for all those who have died recently and for their families. For **Mrs. Higgins** who recently had surgery. For everyone who has cancer, especially **Mary Ward, Colleen Parga's aunt** and **Miss Westphal's stepmom**. For the **soldiers in Afghanistan and Iraq**. For the needs of our parish and school community and all our friends and benefactors.

Pope Benedict's general prayer intention for November 2009 is "That all the men and women in the world, especially those who have responsibilities in the field of politics and economics, may never fail in their commitment to safeguard creation".

Parent Talk

It always bugs me that All Saints Day gets overshadowed by Halloween. Last year, I thought of a way to combine them. I challenged my son to bypass the superheroes and instead portray his favorite saint. After scouring through books, Joshua decided on St. Michael. When we read how he led the angels in the great battle against Satan, Joshua was proud to dress as someone still protecting us today. We found a cool warrior costume and put a cross on the chest. We made wings and a spear from cardboard we painted silver. It was perfect. As we went door-to-door, neighbors asked him what character he was dressed as and Joshua beamed as he replied, "St. Michael the Archangel." Not only did Joshua get more candy that night, he made quite an impression on the neighbors. After all, it's not every day you're in the company of an angel.



Why do Catholics do that?

Why do Catholics give the Sign of peace during Mass?

The first words Jesus said to his apostles after his Resurrection were, "Peace be with you" (John 20:21). After that



their fear disappeared. By offering each other the Sign of Peace at Mass, we share that peace with the entire Body of Christ. Jesus also told us to reconcile the altar of God (Matthew 5:23). Thus, the Sign of Peace is a gesture of Reconciliation with those around us before coming to the altar to receive Holy Communion.

Feasts & Celebrations

Nov. 1 – All Saints Day. In the early Church, saints and martyrs were celebrated on their own feast days. However, the persecution of Christians was so horrible that there weren't enough days in the calendar for individual commemorations. Eventually Pope Gregory IV designated November 1st as All Saints Day.

Nov. 2— All Souls Day. On this day we pray for the dead, especially our loved ones and souls in Purgatory. Our prayers and sacrifices can help them get to Heaven faster.

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 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.

Paint stencil numbers on exterior of classroom doors

Paint infinity symbol/re-paint map in playground area

We need help to find a solution to a drainage problem by Keenan Hall.

Anchor pots at front entrance of school. We would like to place two large planter pots at the entrance of the school.

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

Rack and level tan bark under play structure.

Pressure wash play structure.



Mrs. C. is in need of wire hangers with the white dowel on them. If you have any, please turn them into the gym.



Special Thank You's

Thank you **Tyler Edgerle, Chase & Bryce Beasley, Cooper & Riley Scherr** for laser tag equipment loan. **Kristy Burchard** sound system loan for laser tag and **Jessica Ward & her family** for bundling thousands of game tickets for Fun Night.

A big thank you to Jr. High dance chaperones, **Mrs. Mary White, Mrs. Kathleen Gastello, Mrs. Moakler, Miss. Pellin, Miss. Young, Miss. Westphal, and Mr. Strnad**. Also, thank you to **Mrs. Canez** for drinks and the **Kitchen Staff** for the Rice Krispy treats.

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.

**THANK YOU
TO ALL OF OUR GENEROUS
DONORS AND SPONSORS!
WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**

GRANITE CONSTRUCTION - TIM MILLER

NORCAL WASTE

ROUND TABLE PIZZA

MIKE & MARIA DUARTE

TIME & JULIE GILLIO

CASA DE FRUTA

SUZANE SLATER

POSTAL GRAPHICS

RICK MONTAG

DENISE BRIGANTINO

THE HIURA FAMILY

TINA GARZA

THE MORIN FAMILY

HEIDI JUMPER

ERIK CABALLERO

ROUND TABLE PIZZA

MIKE AND MARIA DUARTE

CASA DE FRUTA

POSTAL GRAPHICS

EXTREME AIR - THE PENZO FAMILY

KIM & STEVE BECERRA

CONFIRMATION CLASS/SHPS PARENTS

GEORGE & LUCILLE RAJKOVICH

THE LOMPA FAMILY

THE BURCHARD FAMILY

DIEDRICH COFFEE

NOB HILL

THE SLAVICH FAMILY

KIM AND BRAD VAN DAM

MARICH CONFECTIONARY

BRIGANTINO FARMS

MCABEE FEED

GABILAN WELDING

DEANNE AND ANTHONY CAGNACCI