



ST. PIUS X PARISH SCHOOL

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March FAMILY BULLETIN: February 19, 2015

Faith

SUNDAY'S GOSPEL, February 22, 2015 – “Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, ‘the time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.’” – *Mark 1:12-15*

LENT–This Sunday is the first Sunday in Lent. In Sunday’s Gospel, Jesus has just been baptized by John the Baptist and is led by the Spirit into the wilderness. In Scripture, the wilderness symbolizes a time to be alone; to fast, to pray, and to listen to God. Jesus stayed in the wilderness for forty days. After that time in the wilderness, Jesus begins his work of preaching about the Kingdom of God. During this Lenten season, what are you being called to do to be closer to God?

WEEKLY SCHOOL MASS - EVERY FRIDAY @ 8AM - Parents and family members are always welcome and encouraged to attend our school masses. Hope to see you there!

MONTHLY FAMILY MASS – EVERY THIRD/LAST SUNDAY of the month the school community is invited to attend the 9:30 Parish mass to support the school’s Faith Formation of our students. Many students discuss the Gospel in their classrooms on Mondays and will benefit greatly from being in attendance at Sunday mass. Each class also sponsors a fundraiser on these days. Our next Family Mass will be this Sunday, February 22nd, sponsored by our 3rd grade class. Second grade will host the March mass on March 29th.

School News and Reminders

- SLE AWARDS assembly will be on Monday, February 23rd immediately following morning prayer in the Hall. Notices will be sent home tomorrow for students receiving awards that morning.
- DEANERY 18 SPELLING BEE is next Wednesday, February 25th at 1:00 pm at St. Marianne in Pico Rivera. Our top 5 students that will be representing St. Pius are: Jocelyn Paez (6th grade), Michael Zavala (7th grade), Isaac Aguilar (5th grade), Carrisma Calleres (6th grade), and Mireya Saathoff (5th grade). Congratulations to our Top 5 students on their hard work. We wish them much luck as they continue on to the Deanery competition!
- FUN RUN will be held on Friday, February 27th. Our next and FINAL collection will be on Tuesday, February 24th. If you would like to volunteer for the day, contact Claudia Saathoff at 562-650-1955.
- FATHER-DAUGHTER Dance will be held on Saturday, February 28, 2015. Deadline to RSVP is Monday, February 23, 2015.
- CATHOLIC ED FOUNDATION (CEF) financial assistance applications are now available in the school office. Financial eligibility information is also included. All applications are due no later than April 30, 2015. Please note that there will be an on-site application process where one-on-one help will be provided. More information will be provided regarding the date and location of this on-site application process.

- CASINO NIGHT 2015 –We are excited about the possibilities for this school year’s Casino Night, scheduled to take place on May 2, 2015. Funds raised at the event will go to rededicating our Library to a Research Media Center for our students. Tickets can be pre-paid in the office now and will fulfill school family responsibility for purchasing two tickets for the evening (\$40 a person). Invite family and friends to be a part of the evening and make the night a great success! If you are interested in joining the committee, or have questions, please don't hesitate to contact Amber Reyes at ambermreyes@live.com or Denisse Frenes-Gomez at Dfrenesgomez@gmail.com. Getting involved is a great way to earn service hours and help improve our school!

- FIESTA 2015 planning is underway! Our 39th Annual Fiesta will be held June 5th, 6th, and 7th this year. Let’s make this a fun parish community event! Please attend the fiesta planning meeting on Monday, March 9, 2015 at 7 pm in the Parish Hall. For more information, contact Tony Reyes at 562-868-7696

- RAIDER SPORTS NEWS:
 - BASKETBALL for Boys and Girls (B) teams continues through next week - Good luck teams! See the schedules on-line, or on display in the courtyard.
 - Schedules and standings are available at www.cyouusa.org. We are in the "Big Ten" Conference.

- PARENT VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS: Please remember that any parent who volunteers for school activities and events in which students are present must have been fingerprinted through LA Archdiocese sponsored LiveScan **and** must have completed the "Protecting God's Children" VIRTUS class. Fingerprinting schedules are located on www.la-archdiocese.org under "Protecting Children" and VIRTUS class schedules are available at www.virtus.org under "Registration." We are located in the San Pedro Region of the Los Angeles Archdiocese.