

*St. Pancratius Parish School - Parent Newsletter*  
*January 9*  
*"An Advantage for Life"*

January 9                      Parent Teacher Organization Meeting – 6:00 p.m. in the Library  
January 13                     Pizza sale for grade 8, order forms went home last week  
                                      Classroom pick up at 1:30  
January 16                     Martin Luther King Jr. Day – NO SCHOOL

**SLE – STUDENT LEARNING EXPECTATIONS FOR ST. PANCRATIUS**

**SLE of the week**

**An Active Learner**

*Shows enthusiasm for learning through work habits.*

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK**

Over the years, Catholic Schools Week themes have emphasized what makes a high-quality, values-driven Catholic education stand out among the school choices available to students and their families.

The 2012 theme, “Catholic Schools: Faith. Academics. Service.” underscores the role of Catholic schools in providing a faith-based education that supports the whole child academically and spiritually. Service is a long-standing tradition at St. Pancratius. Throughout the year our students donate food, Christmas gifts (Adopt-a-Family), towels, shoes, socks, placemats for the homeless shelter, and cards. Most of these activities are a part of our liturgies and prayer services, and are very much appreciated by the recipients. These are only a few ways our students reach out to the community.

You are invited to celebrate with us at the 8:00 Mass and our annual “Open House” on Sunday, January 29, from 9:15-11:00. Visit our classrooms and learn more about your parish school. Bring a friend/relative who may be interested in enrolling in our school.

**Test scores for our students are available on the Catholic Web-site**

**GRADE 8 PIZZA SALE**

Make sure your orders are in by Wednesday January 11th. Forms went home last Thursday.

**APPLICATIONS FOR SCHOOL ENTRANCE SEPTEMBER 2012**

*Kindergarten Applications* for September 2012 will be distributed to parents on Thursday, February 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Kindergarten classroom. Bring your child’s original birth and baptismal certificates (a baptismal certificate is not needed if baptized at St. Pancratius). Your child must be 5 years of age by September 1, 2012.

*The recommended age is five on or before September 1, but required by December 1. (Children who miss the September 1 deadline may be tested and admitted with principal recommendation only.)*

**Your child does not need to come with you to this meeting.**

*Applications for grades 1-8* may be obtained at the school office at any time during the school year. Children entering first grade must be 6 by September 1, 2012. You may call the school office (634-6310) for more information.

**TUITION AWARDS PROGRAM**

The Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) is again offering the Tuition Awards Program for the 2012 – 2013 school year.

APPLICATIONS will be available next week in the school office and on SchoolSpeak. If you have any questions, please consult Mrs. Steele.

**Completed APPLICATIONS with supporting financial information (which is kept confidential and returned to you) are due to the school office no later than March 11, 2012.**

**VIRTUE OF THE MONTH**

**Congratulations to those students who received the Virtue of the Month award for Co-operation.** We are proud of their accomplishments and thank them for their efforts.

Elise Chhour & Chriselle Salcedo – K	Aldir Moreira – 1
Alyssa Quinto & Robie Mateo – 2	Natalie Garner & Andrew VanHaaster – 3
Alyssa Bombarda & Elizabeth Zaarour – 4	Abigail Rizo – 5
Alana Takamiyashiro – 6	Amanda Guarino & Aundie Morillos – 7
Sabrina Rios Tolano & Andrew Narag – 8	

### **SEE'S CANDY VALENTINE'S DAY FUNDRAISER**

Orders must be turned in by Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. Please make checks payable to: Saint Pancratius School. Orders will be delivered the week before Valentine's Day.

**\*\*Make sure your grade and family number is noted on the order please!!\*\***

If you have any questions please email Lourdes Magallanes at [gertudes@verizon.net](mailto:gertudes@verizon.net)

### **SCHOOL CENTS COAT DRIVE!**

Getting a new coat this Christmas? Yes? Can St. Pancratius School have your old one? Any gently used coats, jackets, sweaters and even sweatshirts (basically any warm outer wear) donated will earn School Cents points for our school. Check your closets! Collection continues to Friday, January 13th. Please bring any donations to the school office. Thank you! Questions? Contact Alice Takamiyashiro, School Cents Coordinator: [alicetakamiyashiro@hotmail.com](mailto:alicetakamiyashiro@hotmail.com)

### **CORNELIA CONNELLY SCHOOL**

Early Bird Open House, Tuesday, January 10, 2012

Entrance Exam, Saturday 21, 2012– 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Pre-Registration Required

All Girls Catholic, College Preparatory High School

2323 West Broadway, Anaheim, CA 92804

714-776-1717 Ext. 234

8 -10:30 a.m. RSVP Required

### **ST. JUDE CHILDREN'S – MATH-A-THON**

St. Jude Children's Hospital is requesting the continued support of St. Pancratius Parish School in their Math-a-thon Fundraising Program. To continue this support we need someone to be the chairperson. If you are interested please call the school office at 562-634-6310

SERVICE HOURS ARE AVAILABLE

### **FUNDRAISER EVENTS-DINING OUT**

1/18 - Elephant Bar 20%

3/14 - TBA

5/9 - SuperMex 20%

2/15 - Chili's 20%

4/18 - Round Table Pizza

6/6 - Pick Up Stix

### **ALL VOLUNTEERS**

In order to work or be around children you must have a TB clearance on file. Please bring your clearance to the office and we will make a copy. Thank you, this will soon be a state law. If you need to have a TB test you can call the Long Beach Health Dept. (562) 570-4000

### **VIRTUS TRAINING**

The *Protecting God's Children* awareness session is an informative and interactive training focused on preventing child sexual abuse. You can go on-line to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) for other training locations.

### **YEARBOOK**

Now that school has started make sure you don't forget the yearbook. When you're developing all those school pictures make an extra copy for the yearbook. Send it with your child or turn it in to the office. Just label it yearbook. You can also email Kathy Reeves the pictures at [Kathyreeves1108@yahoo.com](mailto:Kathyreeves1108@yahoo.com)

### **FINGERPRINTING SCHEDULE**

*All parents who volunteer at the school or for school events (field trips, sports drivers) must have a background check (fingerprinting) and attend a VIRTUS (Safeguard the Children) training. Please check the newsletter frequently for scheduled dates. If you are interested in a different location for fingerprinting, please call the school office. Those listed below are local. Please send in a copy of your fingerprinting form and VIRTUS certificate, when completed. Thank you.*

## **JANUARY**

**ST. DOMINIC SAVIO** Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup>

13400 Bellflower Blvd. 10:00 a.m. – 1:40 p.m. & 5:20 p.m.

For appointment call (562)920-7796 ext. 24