

## *Walking With Jesus in Faith, Hope, and Love*

April 22, 2009

Dear Parents,

Welcome back from Easter vacation! I hope all of our families enjoyed a prayerful and joyful Easter Sunday. The teachers and I attended the National Catholic Education Association's Annual Convention at the Anaheim Convention Center on April 14-16. This was a wonderful professional development for all of us. Many of us attended workshops specific to developing reading comprehension skills, creating a positive and safe school environment, and most importantly, developing vibrant faith experiences in our school community. We look forward to putting our experiences into practice in the remaining weeks of school, and, in our plans for next year.

### **First Communion**

Our second graders will be receiving First Communion this Saturday at 10:00 am. Please remember our second graders and their families in prayer.

### **PTG Information**

- **Budget/Balance Sheets**  
Included in today's envelope are two packets produced by the PTG that outline the financial aspects of the PTG including the Auction. This information is to assist every parent in understanding the commitment the PTG makes to being good stewards of the money raised by parents to support the school programs.
- **Newsletter**  
Please review for upcoming dates and events.
- **Nominations**  
Please consider volunteering for a PTG Board position or nominating another parent for a position. The leadership of our parents is essential to the success of our Blue Ribbon school!
- **Spring Show Dinner Flyer/Order Forms**
- **Date Correction: G.A.M.E. Day will be on Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>.**
- **Boat Cruise Flyer**

### **Development Information**

- **Golf Tournament:** Our annual Golf Tournament is only 3 weeks away. There is still time to sign up for the tournament, buy golf balls for the ball drop event, and/or volunteer to help on the day of the tournament. For further information please contact Mrs. Warren in the Business Office.
- **Networking Night:** The Development Committee will be hosting the first St. Cecilia School Networking Night which will be an evening for school parents to meet and network. The flyer contains all the essential information for this event. Please take a moment to read over the flyer and consider how you might participate in this event.

### **Cub Scout Sign-ups**

On Thursday, April 30, 2009, Cub Scout Pack 323 will be holding its Spring membership drive. Cub Scouts at St. Cecilia School participate in a weekly flag ceremony; can obtain religious emblems; participate in Scout Sunday in February; can attend rank appropriate camps; participate in the annual Pinewood Derby in January as well as many other events and activities. Parents of boys in Kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> Grade are invited to meet with Pack leaders from 7:00 to 8:00 pm in Modular #2 to learn more about Scouting and complete an application for membership.

### **Student Council Elections**

Student Council Elections will be held in May. Any student who is interested in running for a student council meeting must attend an information meeting and receive an election packet on Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at lunch time in Room 6. The following dates apply to election activities:

Thursday, April 23 @ lunch	Information meeting/packets distributed
Friday, May 1 @ 8:00 am	Completed and signed petitions will be collected. Parental permission will only be accepted through original signature on the petition. Faxed petitions and/or permission via telephone and/or e-mail will not be accepted. Speeches due.
Monday, May 3 @ 7:45 am	Candidates announced at assembly
Tuesday, May 5 @ 2:40 pm	Speeches returned to candidates
Wednesday, May 6	Poster Day
Thursday, May 7	Sticker Day
Friday, May 8 @ 8:15 am	Speeches and voting
@ 2:30pm	Results announced

### **Eighth Grade Pin Ceremony**

The eighth grade class will celebrate their Pin Ceremony on Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. This ceremony celebrates our eighth graders and their years at St. Cecilia School. Please keep our eighth graders in your daily prayers as they finish up their work at St. Cecilia School and prepare for their high school experiences.

Thank you, parents, for your commitment to Catholic education.

Very truly yours,

Mrs. Mary Alvarado  
Principal