



# St. Louise de Marillac School Mrs. Catherine Ossa Principal

# **HAPPENINGS**



The Staff and Faculty wish our students and their families

A very Happy & Blessed Thanksgiving!

Words of the Week:

We must find time to stop

And thank the people

Who make a difference in our lives.

John F. Kennedy

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## **Special Dates of Interest:**

- Tues., Nov. 23rd
   Noon Dismissal
   (Parent/Teacher Conferences)
- Wed., Nov. 23rd, thru Fri., Nov. 26th No School (Thanksgiving's Day Holiday)
- Mon., Nov. 29th –
   School Resumes
- Fri., Dec. 17th
   Noon Dismissal/ NO DAYCARE
   (Christmas/New Year's break begins)
- Mon., Dec. 20th, thru Fri., Dec. 31st
   No School (Christmas/New Year's Holiday)
- Mon., Jan. 3rd
   School Resumes

## Important to Remember...

## NO SCHOOL REMINDER...

TOMORROW, NOV. 25TH thru FRIDAY, NOV. 27TH ...



A reminder that there will be **NO SCHOOL TOMORROW**, **Nov. 24th**, **thru Friday**, **Nov. 26th**, due to the Thanksgiving Day holidays. School resumes Monday, Nov. 29th.

We hope you all enjoy this much deserved break!

## Do you still need to sign up for parent volunteer hours? There are two opportunities that we need your help with!

#### **Open House Committee**

The school needs some volunteers to assist with our school Open House on Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup>. We will be hosting an in-person event and can use volunteers to assist with hospitality, decorations, and the set up and tear down or booths. If you are interested places contact Mrs. Ossa at principal@stlouisedm.org. We are very excite



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interested, please contact Mrs. Ossa at <a href="mailto:principal@stlouisedm.org">principal@stlouisedm.org</a>. We are very excited to have our regular event!

#### **Alumni Committee**

Are you an alum or St. Louise and keep in contact with some of your classmates? We are looking for some volunteers to join our alumni committee. The alumni committee meets about four times per year. We are currently working on obtaining email addresses for alumni. In addition, we would like to schedule and hold some class reunions. If you are interested in joining the committee, please contact Mrs. Ossa at <a href="mailto:principal@stlouisedm.org">principal@stlouisedm.org</a>.

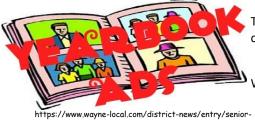
## Holiday Scrip News...

We have added extra Scrip ordering days for your holiday shopping. Please see page 5 in today's Happenings or visit the school website for the holiday Scrip calendar. We will not be placing a Scrip order the week of Thanksgiving however you may still place orders for Reload and ScripNow during that week.

Also, if you are eligible for a tuition credit, the credits will be applied in December for purchases through November 30th.



https://school.stpaulannarbor.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\_ID=62



The yearbook dedications link is now open. Please note that: Dedication ads must be created and paid online through Jostens by going to the following online link:

https://www.jostens.com/apps/jcom/router.mvc?affiliateId=1003697

We are offering **two** sizes of yearbook dedications, **1/8** page and **1/4-page dedication ads**. All dedication ads (PDA's) are full color and include images and text. You can customize the PDA by selecting your text/image layout and choice of fonts. The cost

for the ads is as follows:

From Nov. 1st thru January 9th 1/8-page ads are \$30 ½ page ads are \$50

From January 10th – February 10th 1/8-page ads are \$35 ¼ page ads are \$55

Our yearbook staff reserves the right to edit all ads to fit our yearbook layout constraints and therefore, your ad may differ slightly from what is viewed in the final yearbook.

Final deadline to order is Thursday, Feb 10th.

There are absolutely no exceptions this year.

Please be sure to order early so as to not miss these strict deadlines!

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## Did You Know...



# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!

(For days of Nov. 8, 2021 through Nov. 10, 2021)

Carmelo Reed, Gr. K, was recognized for improved behavior, staying in his spot during carpet time, working hard during class; and, being a kind friend. We are so proud of you! Keep up the good work, Carmelo!

**Sophia Lindsay, Gr. 3,** was recognized for staying on task and completing her work with great detail. Keep up the amazing attitude, Sophia!

**Madilyn Luna, Gr. 6,** was recognized for always pushing herself to turn in her best work and turning in the most creative projects. She is also appreciated for her grit and willingness to put in extra time after school to continue growing in math! Great job Maddie!

WELL DONE!!

#### BE ON TIME! DON'T BE TARDY!

We are still noticing a lot of students arriving very late to school in the morning. It is important that students are on time for school everyday. When arriving late, every student must come to the school office for a late slip in order to be admitted to class

If your children arrive at school after the 8:00 bell (second bell) in the morning, they are considered late. We will soon be implementing a detention process for students who have three tardies or more.

More details to come.



#### PRAYERS FOR SICK...

Please pray for:

- Laurette Alcantar, mother of Brianna Alcantar ( a former student) who is currently battling stage 4 cancer.
- Gary Seuss, father of Mrs. Jennifer New ( our 1st & 2nd Grade aide) who continues to battle cancer.
- Joe Getherall, grandfather of Mikey Glenn (Gr. 8), who also continues to battle cancer.

Please keep them and their families in your prayers!



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# ATTENTION: ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS Young Knights of Frassati Club

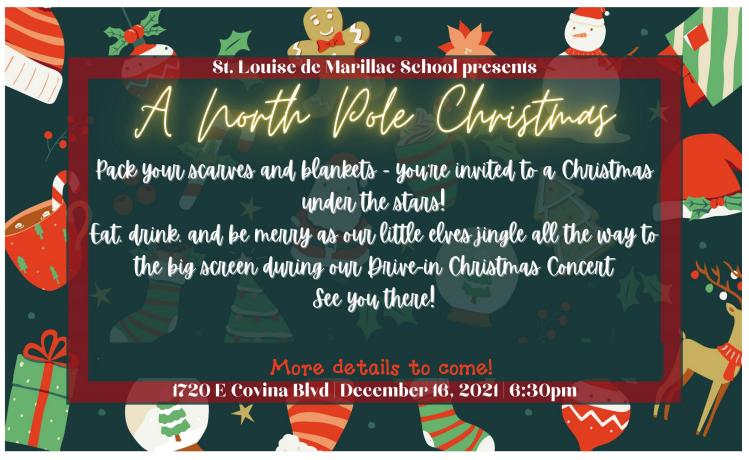
Our next meeting is Friday, Dec. 3rd, from 2:15 pm to 3:45 pm. This will be the last meeting until January.

Visit the link for more details. It's not too late to join!

https://sites.google.com/stlouisedm.org/ grade5/frassati-club

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## **SLS Weekly Sports Schedule**

Weekly schedule for 11/21/21 thru 11/23/21

Tuesday, Nov. 23rd, and Wed, Nov. 24th-Boys A level practice: 12:00 pm - 2:00pm





The girls team coach decided to not have practice this week.

**Volunteer Coach Needed:** We are currently looking for a B Boys level basketball volunteer coach. If you are interested and can help us out, please contact Coach Sergio, our Athletic Director, at SergioG@stlouisedm.org. In order to volunteer, you must be VIRTUS trained and fingerprinted.

## **GO VIKINGS!**

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_	Special Scrip Order Calendar for November/December 2021	Order Cale	ndar for No	vember/Dec	ember 2021	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Nov 14	Nov 15  Order to day by 8:30 am, for pick up on	Nov 16	Nov 17	Nov 18	Nov 19  Pick to order from M. A., Nov.	Nov 20
Nov 21	Nov 22 No Scrip Orders This Week	Nov 23	Nov 24	Nov 25 Happy Thanksgiving!	<sub>o</sub>	Nov 27
Nov 28	Nov 29 Order today by 8:30 am, for pick up on	Nov 30	Dec 1	Dec 2  Order today by 8:30 am, for pick up on	Dec 3 Pick up order from Mon., Nov.	Dec 4
Dec 5	Fri., Dec 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec 6  Order today by 8:30 am, for pick up on	Dec 7	Dec 8  Pick up order from Thurs., Dec. 2nd	Wed., Dec. 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec 9  Order today by 8:30 am, for pick up on	29 <sup>th</sup> after 2 pm Dec 10 Pick up order from Mon., Dec.	Dec. 11
Dec 12	Fri., Dec. 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec 13  ** <u>Last Day to order</u> scrip for 2021**  Order today by 8:30  am, for pick up on  Fri., Dec. 17 <sup>th</sup>	Dec 14	after 2 pm  Dec 15  Pick up order from Thurs., Dec. 9 <sup>th</sup> after 2 pm	Wed., Dec. 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec 16	6 <sup>th</sup> after 2 pm  Dec 17  Pick up order from Mon., Dec. 13 <sup>th</sup> after 12 pm	Dec 18

Orders in by 8:30 am, January 3rd will be ready for pick up on Fri., January 7th after 2 pm Regular scrip schedule resumes on January 3rd.

## SPIRITUALITY AND ENRICHMENT



### **Thanksgiving**

As I sit here writing this article about Thanksgiving, I heard on the radio that today is "International Kindness Day." How appropriate for a reflection on Thanksgiving! Kindness and gratitude go hand in hand. I know many of you are grateful that this year you will be able to gather with family on Thanksgiving day. Last year's holiday season was difficult and painful. I hope all of you have been vaccinated against this virus and take precautions if you have not been. Each of us needs to take responsibility for keeping each other safe. Some of you will be facing Thanksgiving with a person missing from your table, either from a Covid death or another illness or

accident. Loss feels more acute during the holiday season. It is OK to be sad and to mourn. Make sure you have some type of support system; people who care about you and know how to just "be" with you. Most of us are not looking for advice when we are hurting, we just want someone to walk with us as we hurt.

The late pastor and Bible scholar Donald Barnhouse is credited with saying, "Love that goes upward is worship; Love that goes outward is affection; But love that stoops is grace." When we love God with all our heart and all our strength, we are reaching up. When reach out with love, we show compassion towards others. But what does it mean, "love that stoops is grace?"

To show grace is to show favor or kindness to one who doesn't deserve it and can never earn it. Receiving God's favor by grace always stands in sharp contrast to earning it on the basis of merit. Every time the thought of grace appears, there is the idea of its being undeserved. In no way is the recipient getting what he or she deserves. Favor is being extended simply out of the goodness of the heart of the giver. In other words, God has to stoop down to reach out to our level to shower us with his love and affection. The good news is that God does this all the time. In the sacraments, we receive grace. For me personally, when something turns out really well for me, I believe it was the showering of grace that allowed it to happen. Grace is a gift. It shows up at any time of day or night. We rarely recognize it.



God's grace is another thing we should be grateful for this Thanksgiving. Grace got us through the darkest days of this pandemic. It's not over yet, so let us cling to this gift from God.

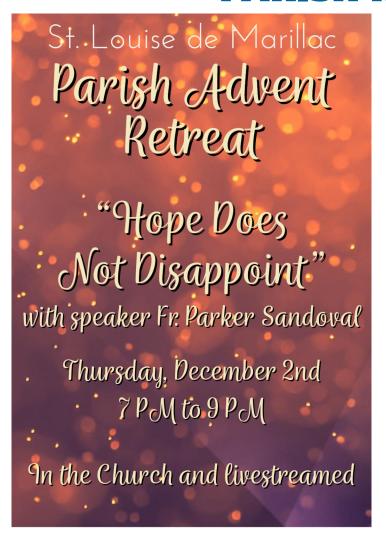
Kindness is the way we can manifest the love of God. Kindness usually precedes Gratitude. To be grateful towards someone or for something, there must have been some kind of kindness that you are responding to. When we are kind, we are creating a space for another person to be grateful. When someone shows us kindness, the appropriate response is gratitude. God's grace may be the ingredient that we needed to become kinder people.

As an added bonus, kindness and gratitude do a number of things for our wellbeing: It helps us to be in the moment (mindfulness); It helps the body to release a hormone (oxytocin) and this hormone does a number of great things for our body: Creates a state of calmness which in turn is good for heart health; Reduces inflammation; Keeps anxiety and stress at bay to name but a few. So, this Thanksgiving, celebrate! Remember to be thankful. And be kind to one another.

Fr. Pobet Fullow

Pastor

## PARISH NEWS...



#### THANKSGIVING MASS

Join us for our Thanksgiving Day Mass. Please join us for our traditional **9:00 AM Mass on Thanksgiving Day**. Bring the bread, wine and other food items for your Thanksgiving meal to be blessed during the Mass. There will be NO 8:30 AM Mass on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 25th. .

#### **JOB OPENING**

St. Louise has a position open as a part time (10-15 hours per week) parish office administrative assistant. Availability to work select weekday afternoons and one weekend day 9:00a.m. to 2:00p.m. is required. A professional manner and the ability to communicate effectively with parishioners, staff, and the general public are key elements of this position. Knowledge of office organization, computer skills, and use of standard office equipment is required. Active participation/knowledge of the Catholic faith is necessary.

Send resume or contact the Director of Administration, Mara Chimenti at employment@stlouisedm.org.

## CHRISTMAS CARD COLLECTIONS

As we have done for the past several years, St. Louise de Marillac has the opportunity to make the Christmas holiday better for our incarcerated brothers at the Pitchess Detention Center in Castaic and at the California Institute for Men in Chino. Just the simple act of providing Christmas Cards and postage will make it possible for these men to stay connected with their families and loved ones during a difficult time of the year.

Because of the security requirements of these facilities, we're asking that all of us donate new, unopened boxes of Christmas Cards and separate stamps. The Catholic Chaplain at Chino has requested the cards for that institution have religious themes. Donations will be accepted through December 5th. Collection boxes for the cards will be in the Parish Center and in the church for your convenience. The separate postage stamps should be brought to the Parish Center office. Our deacons will coordinate their delivery to Castaic and Chino.

Thank you in advance for your support of this program.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

## Honoring children's boundaries teaches important lessons about consent

As we enter into the holiday season, where many of us will spend time with extended family and friends, parents should remember to pay attention to their children's comfort levels, especially when it comes to physical affection. We want our children to be kind and considerate, so it is tempting to ask them to give hugs and kisses to family members and friends. But when children are nervous or shy, or just do not want to, it is important to honor their personal boundaries — and it teaches them a great lesson about consent over who interacts with them and their bodies. You can suggest alternatives, like high-fives or fist bumps.

For more information, read "Why you shouldn't force your kids to hug relatives.

https://www.todaysparent.com/family/parenting/why-you-shouldnt-force-your-kids-to-hug-relatives/

For more information on other ways to keep kids safe, contact Linda Filkins, the Parish Safeguard Committee Chairperson at (626) 214-7846 or the Archdiocesan Safeguard the Children Office at (213) 637-7227. For particular help, call the Victims Assistance Office at (213) 637-7650.

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## RISH NEWS...

# BEGINNING SUNDAY, **NOVEMBER 28TH** THE EVENING MASS WILL BE PERMANENTLY CHANGED **TO 5 PM** INSTEAD

## ADVENT WREATH MAKING

Faith Formation is sponsoring our annual Advent Wreath Making in the Msgr. Pierce Hall on Sunday, November 28th, which will begin after the 8:00 am Mass. No need to bring anything as we will supply all that is needed, including the wreath and candles. Everyone is invited to come and create their own wreath. However supplies are limited, so this fun craft is on a first come-first serve basis.



#### HOLY WATER IN CHURCH

When obtaining Holy Water in the Church, please use the dispenser in the back of the Church. Please do not use the Baptismal Font.

#### **DEVOTIONAL**

At Mass this next weekend, November 27th and 28th, we will hand out The Word Among Us booklets in preparation for Advent beginning next weekend. We would like everyone to have an opportunity to receive the 2021 Advent Issue. Supplies are limited, so please, one per family. Every single revelation of God can be life-changing and transforming when we understand it, live it out, and share it with others. We pray that this devotional will provide a spiritual resource to help you prepare for the Savior's coming.





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