



HAPPENINGS

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!

(For week of Jan.22, 2024 - Jan. 26, 2024)

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Violet Ruelas was recognized for working hard in class and getting her work completed. She always models wonderful behavior to her classmates. Keep up that beautiful smile that is so contagious Violet!

Caitlin Keating was recognized for always being on task and turning in her work completed and with detail. Hats off to you Caitlin!

Matthew Silva was recognized for his outstanding participation and contributions during Religion class. In addition, he is always attentive, kind, polite, and respectful to others. Furthermore, he works well with others and always turns in high quality work. Bravo Matthew!

Well done !!



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NO DAY CARE THIS FRIDAY, FEB. 9TH

There will be **NO Day Care provided on Friday, Feb. 9th**, as school will be dismissed at 12 noon as part of the Grandparents/Special Persons Day celebrations. Please make appropriate arrangements to have your child(ren) picked up at the 12 noon dismissal time on that day.

Thanks for your understanding!

Words of the Week:

“People will forget what you said. People will forget what you did. But people will never forget how you made them feel.”— *Maya Angelou*

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Special Dates of Interest:

- ◇ Feb. 5th—9th—**BOOK FAIR WEEK**
- ◇ Feb. 8th—**8th Grade “Pizza Lunch” Fundraiser**
- ◇ Feb. 9th—**“Grandparents/Special Persons” Mass & Program 10 am—Church (NOON DISMISSAL / NO DAY CARE)**
- ◇ Feb. 13th—**Valentine’s Day Class Parties (Full Day Schedule)**
- ◇ Feb. 16th—**NO SCHOOL (Teacher’s In-service)**
- ◇ Feb. 19th—**NO SCHOOL (President’s Day Holiday)**
- ◇ Feb. 22nd—**2nd Gr. “First Reconciliation” - 6:30 pm— Church**
- ◇ Feb. 23rd—**END OF 2ND TRIMESTER**
- ◇ Feb. 29th—**2ND TRIMESTER REPORT CARDS GO HOME TODAY!**
- ◇ March 4th - **State of the School” Parent Mtg. 6:30 pm—Msgr. Pierce Hall**
- ◇ March 5th - **24-25 Online Registration Begins**
- ◇ March 6th - **Room Parent Mtg. 6:30 pm (via ZOOM)**
- ◇ March 9th - **“Mighty Mites” Tournament (Gr. 3 & 4) 9 am to 1 pm - Parking Lot/Field/MPB**

Important to Remember...

SCHOOL FINANCE MESSAGE...

As a reminder, tuition and fees showing on your Blackbaud account are due this Saturday, February 10th, by 9:00 p.m. PST. Any payments received after 9:00 pm. on the 10th will incur a \$60 late fee. **Please note, tuition and fees are still due on the 10th even though it is a weekend.**



Golf Tournament Results Are In!

The St. Louise de Marillac School Golf Tournament was a great success!



\$84,3334.00 – Income
 \$30,501.19 – Expenses
 \$53,832.81 - Profit

We thank our Golf Committee for making the event a memorable day. We also thank all who participated, whether you golfed, sponsored, or joined us for an enjoyable dinner!

Thanks to your generosity, the school has been able to install additional security features such as cameras in multiple locations throughout campus and were able to upgrade our buzz in security system at our front gate. These extra features have helped to keep St. Louise students safe.

We hope that you will consider supporting our 11th Annual Golf Tournament next September!

Valentine's Day Party

Dress Attire for Tues, Feb. 13th...

Students can wear Valentine colored attire & accessories on Tuesday, Feb. 13th, for the Valentine's Day parties. Be sure to dress with the dress code guidelines in mind.

ATTENTION ROOM PARENTS

Valentine's Day Party money is available for pick up now at the school office. The Gr. 1-8 parties will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 13th, at 2:10 pm. Please arrive for set up at 1:45 pm. **TK & Kinder: Check with your teachers for set-up/party times.**

Mark These Dates...

There will be NO SCHOOL on Friday, February 16th, as the teachers will be attending the Religious Education Congress in Anaheim; and, on Monday, Feb. 19th, due to the Presidents Day holiday!



Mark Your Calendar



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LOOKING AHEAD...

The following is a list of upcoming important dates to remember:

- ◇ Feb. 8th—8th Gr. "Pizza Lunch" Fundraiser
- ◇ Feb. 9th—"Grandparents/Special Persons" Mass & Program—10 am—Church / NOON DISMISSAL / NO DAYCARE
- ◇ Feb. 13th—Valentine's Day "Class Parties"
- ◇ Feb. 14th—ASH WEDNESDAY
School Mass—10:00 am (Gr. TK—8)
- ◇ Feb. 16th—NO SCHOOL (Teacher's In-Service/Rel Ed. Congress)
- ◇ Feb. 19th—NO SCHOOL (President's Day Holiday)
- ◇ Feb. 21st—Scoliosis Screening (Gr. 6– 8 ONLY)
- ◇ Feb. 22nd—2nd Grade's "First Reconciliation"
6:30 pm—Church
- ◇ Feb. 23rd—End of 2nd Trimester
- ◇ Feb. 29th—2nd Trimester Report Cards Go Home
- ◇ March 4th - "State of the School" Parent Mtg.
6:30 pm—Msgr. {Pierce Hall}
- ◇ March 5th - **24-25 Online Registration Begins**
- ◇ March 6th - Room Parent Mtg. 6:30 pm (via ZOOM)
- ◇ March 9th - "Mighty Mites" Tournament (Gr. 3 & 4)
9 am to 1 pm - Parking Lot/Field/MPB
- ◇ March 13th - Mrs. Ossa's Birthday!
- ◇ March 14th - **Parent Club "Pizza Lunch" Fundraiser**
- ◇ March 15th - **"All SCHOOL" Mass—10 am—Church**
24-25 Online Registration Ends
- ◇ March 18th - "Imagination Machine" Presentation
- ◇ March 22nd - **"MOVE-A-THON" Fundraiser** - 9 am to 10 am
Parking Lot/Field/Basketball Courts
- ◇ March 23rd - **"Mother/Son" Dance—6:30 pm - Hall**

“8th Grade” PIZZA LUNCH FUNDRAISER—Thursday, Feb. 8th
Deadline to Order is TODAY, 2-6-24 9by 12 Midnight!



<https://clipartix.com/pizza-clip-art/>

The 8th Graders will be having a COSTCO pizza lunch fundraiser on Thursday, Feb. 8th. Profits from this pizza lunch will go towards their graduation costs. The cost is as follows now:

- Pizza Regular (cheese or pepperoni) —\$5.00—**ONE** slice of pizza, one bag of chips, one fruit snack & one juice
- Pizza Plus (cheese or pepperoni) —\$7.00—**TWO** slices of pizza, one bag of chips, one fruit snack & one juice

You will be ordering and paying for your pizza lunch **ONLY through your Blackbaud Tuition account**. Ordering is now available through this account and will close at **12 MIDNIGHT on TUES., FEB. 6TH**. Please follow the steps below to access the ordering process. If you have any questions regarding the ordering process, please contact Denise Wold in the finance department - denisew@stlouisedm.org or 626-915-7873, ext. 211.

The ABSOLUTE deadline to order is Tues., Feb. 6th, NO LATER THAN 12 MIDNIGHT.
Please note: there are no refunds or credits for pizza lunch.

To place your order follow the “PURCHASE OPTIONAL ITEMS” (SHOPPING CART) instructions below:

- ◆ Log into your Blackbaud Tuition account (if you need help logging into your Blackbaud Tuition account, please contact Blackbaud at 888-868-8828)
- ◆ Select “purchase optional items” at the top of the screen
- ◆ “Select student(s)” in the middle of the screen
- ◆ Check the name of all students you wish to order for and select “go”
- ◆ Check all of the items you wish to order for each student
- ◆ Choose the quantity you wish to order for each student (please note your total amount below)
- ◆ Select “save”
- ◆ Consent to the agreement (this is a description of the shopping cart items you have purchased)
- ◆ Check “I have read the description of this item and agree to purchase” (you will have to do this for each item)
- ◆ Check “I understand that all purchases are final and non-refundable” (you will have to do this for each item)
- ◆ Select “agree”
- ◆ Select “continue
- ◆ Click “pay now” (all shopping cart items are pay now items - they cannot be added to your Blackbaud invoice)
- ◆ Choose account to be used for payment – you may use an existing saved payment method or add a new one (remember, convenience fees are added to credit card or debit card transactions)
- ◆ Select “checkout” - You can choose to print a receipt. This is the only opportunity to print the receipt.

YOU'RE INVITED

*Grandparents
&
Special Persons*

PLEASE JOIN YOUR LITTLE ONES FOR A MORNING OF FESTIVITIES
HONORING YOU!

FRIDAY

FEB
9
2024

8 AM
TO
12 PM

ST. LOUISE DE MARILLAC SCHOOL
1728 E. COVINA BLVD
COVINA, CA

GRANDPARENTS & SPECIAL PERSONS DAY

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

St. Louise Parents.

We need your help to make Grandparents & Special Persons Day a delightful and memorable event. After all, these individuals assist in supporting our students in fundraisers, cheering at school & sporting events, undertaking drop-off/pickup, and assuming countless other favors!

Each family is asked to contribute to the reception where students will enjoy a continental breakfast **WITH** their Grandparents & Special Persons.

If your *ELDEST CHILD* is in the following grades, then please have him/her bring the following items listed below at morning drop-off on Friday, February 9th.

Room Parent volunteers will receive donations throughout the car-line and the fire lane.

TK & K	Sugar Free Pastries
1 st	Cuties
2 nd	Bananas
3 rd	Grapes (washed please)
4 th	Berries (washed please)
5 th	Mini Croissants
6 th	Donuts
7 th	Muffins
8 th	Starbucks Gift Card (turn into school office on/before Wed 2/7/24 please)

All items are to be NUT FREE please.

We sincerely thank you for your generosity as the reception is made possible through the kindness of our St. Louise School families.

With gratitude.

St. Louise Parent Club





Grandparents & Special Persons Day

Grandparents & Special Persons Day will be celebrated on Friday, February 9th! Because of space limitations, we kindly ask parents not to come. Having only these special individuals on our campus allows for students to spend some quality time with them!

Schedule of activities:

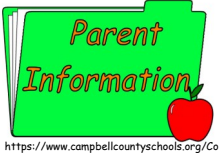
- 8:15am-9:00am Reception, Classroom Tour, Book Fair
⇒ Children with **last names A-L** will go with loved ones into the hall for a Continental Breakfast
⇒ Remaining children will tour loved ones into classrooms and visit the Book Fair
- 9:05am-9:50am Reception, Classroom Tour, Book Fair
⇒ Children with **last names M-Z** will go with loved ones into the hall for a Continental Breakfast
⇒ Remaining children will tour loved ones into classrooms and visit the Book Fair
- 10:00am Mass
- 11:15am Special Performance (remain in church after Mass)
- 11:45am Sign-Out Student(s) w/Teacher
⇒ Grandparents & Special Persons to walk students back to classrooms and sign-out student(s) with their teacher please
- 12:00pm Dismissal*

*There will be NO DAY CARE provided. Please make appropriate arrangements to have your child(ren) picked up at 12 Noon.

We hope all our Grandparents & Special Persons enjoy this memorable day!



Did You Know...



STAR WINDOW #1 RESULTS ARE IN TODAY'S FAMILY ENVELOPE


Your child(ren)'s STAR testing results went home today in the family envelope.

The results are in one envelope (even if you have several children). Be sure to open it up and review it with your child to see how they can work on improving their score(s) before the next testing period.

VISION/HEARING TEST RESULTS

The results of your child(ren)'s hearing and vision tests which took place on January 30th are included in today's family envelope. These forms are for you to keep for your records.

If your child(ren) failed either or both of the tests, we suggest you use the form as a referral to your physician. Once the testing has been completed by the physician, please have him fill out the letter and return it to the school. If your child did not receive a report, it means they were absent on that day.



Birthdays

- ◆ Any invitations (for off campus parties) given out on school grounds **must** be approved by the school office first:
- ◆ Include the entire class, or include all the boys or all the girls in a given class. **Handing invitations out at school only to certain students is not permitted**
- ◆ Parents, please be considerate of all children's feelings.
- ◆ Restaurant lunches (pizza, hamburgers, etc.) are not permitted as a class lunch when celebrating your child's birthday.
- ◆ Birthday treats must be approved and, can ONLY be handed out when the teacher says that it can be handed out.
- ◆ Please be mindful that there may be food allergies in your child's class.



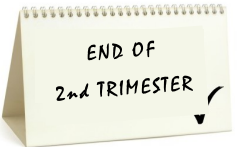
THANK YOU STUDENT COUNCIL!

Congratulations to our Student Council, Ms. Chris, Mrs. Flores, & Mrs. Richardson for their beautiful planning and participation in our last "All School" & "Catholic Schools Week" Masses! You truly represented St. Louise School in the best way at Mass!

End of Second Trimester...

Friday, February 23rd, is the end of the Second Trimester for the 2023-2024 School Year!

We encourage all students to be make sure they are turning in all of the homework and classwork on time. To make sure that you get proper credit, please turn in everything to your teacher by day, Thursday, Feb. 22nd, just to be safe rather than sorry!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

"State of the School Address" Meeting Monday, March 4th

Be sure to mark your calendars for the "State of the School Address" Parent Meeting scheduled for Monday, March 4th, at 6:30 pm in Msgr. Pierce Hall.

Next year's tuition and fees schedule will be address along with many other important items.

We ask that at least one parent attend.

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Mother
DANCE
Son

Mother/Son Dance

Saturday, March 23, 2024

Important to Remember..



FOR LENT FOR LIFE

WHAT YOU GIVE
UP FOR LENT
CHANGES LIVES.

Lenten Collection for Those In Need...

During this Lenten season, the classes are again collecting to help the needy. Students are asked to save their pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and even dollars to place in their CRS Lenten Rice Bowl boxes. Students will return their filled boxes on Monday, March 25th, during Holy Week.

Whatever cash that might be saved when not having a dessert, a cold drink, or going to the movies, etc. could be donated to this most worthy cause. The monies turned in will be given to Catholic Relief Services to be sent across the world to help those most in need.

If you help the poor, you are lending to the Lord - and he will repay you! Prov. 19:17

Your support is greatly appreciated by our brothers and sisters in need!

Mighty Mites

Practices:

- Tuesday, Feb. 27th, 2:45 to 3:45 pm
- Wednesday, Feb. 28th, 2:45 to 3:45 pm
- Thursday, Feb. 29th, 2:45 to 3:45 pm
- Friday, March 1st, 2:15 to 3:15 pm *
- Tuesday, March 5th, 2:45 to 3:45 pm
- Thursday, March 7th, 2:45 to 3:45 pm
- Friday, March 8th, 2:15 to 3:15 pm *

* PLEASE NOTE: Friday's practices begin and end earlier than the rest. No brothers & sisters will be allowed to remain on campus during practice time. If it is necessary for the child to wait, please make arrangements with Daycare. Please remember—NO dogs or pets are allowed on campus during the tournament,

MIGHTY MITES TOURNAMENT
SATURDAY, MARCH 9
9:00 am to 1:00 pm

24-25 GRADELINK ONLINE RE-REGISTRATION!

Mrs. Ossa will be giving more information about the 2024-2025 online re-registration at the "State of the School" meeting on Monday, March 4th, at 6:30 pm in the Msgr. Pierce Hall.

The online reenrollment period through Gradelink will be open starting Tuesday, March 5th, and end on Friday, March 15th. Once activated, current families will be able to access an "EnrollMe" tab within their parent account to register their child(ren) for the 2024-2025 school year.

More information on how to re-enroll using the Gradelink online system will be in upcoming "Happenings" newsletters and will be emailed to all families on Tuesday morning, March 5th.

Upon completing your online re-registration AND paying your fees in your Blackbaud account, your paperwork package will be sent home with your oldest child. The re-registration fee will increase for anyone registering after April 19th.

Your re-registration will not be finalized for the 2024-2025 school year until you have completed all information for each child in Gradelink; paid all fees through your Blackbaud Tuition Management account; and, turned in all paperwork at the "Service Hours" Sign-Up Night which will be held from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm on Tuesday, April 9th.

Medication Policy...

Just a reminder about medication (whether prescription or "over-the-counter") - All students must follow our policy which is:



1. No medication, including cough syrup, cough drops, Tylenol, etc., may be given to any student unless there is a Doctor's signature, with the name of medication, dosage and time to be given. This information, along with the medication, is kept in the Health Room. The form can be obtained from the school office.
2. **NO medication may be kept in the classrooms, book bags, or with a student (unless child has a doctor's note on file).**

For the safety of all our students, PLEASE follow our policy rules. Thank you for your assistance with this!



St. Louise de Marillac
2024

COLOR RUN!



Friday March 22nd

sponsors needed please contact

Mrs. Ossa for more information



**Parent
Volunteers
are welcome.
Contact
Ms. Sue**

**In-Kind
Donations needed
Water & healthy
snacks**



More information to come

**ABSOLUTE DEADLINE IS THIS THURSDAY, FEB. 8TH
THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS
SO PLACE YOUR ORDER NOW!!!**

St. Louise De Marillac School

Dear Parent or Student,
Yearbook Recognition Ads are the perfect way to commemorate achievements and celebrate milestones. In addition, revenues from Recognition Ads help our school create a better yearbook. To purchase your ad online, follow the instructions listed below. Jostens is responsible for our school's yearbook ad sales. Please do not contact or send materials to the school. Please also consider our school's ad content guidelines below during the creation of your ad online. All orders must be placed by 02/08/2024- no exceptions for late orders.

Please use a computer and not your phone to place your order since it usually does not work well on the phone. You do not need to input a school code in order to place an order.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Flores via email at floresk@stlouisedm.org.

ORDER BY 02/08/2024

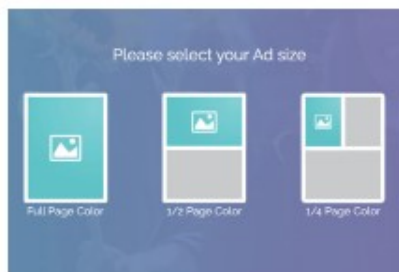
COLOR AD

1/4 Page	\$65.00
1/8 Page	\$45.00

*Tax, service and delivery fee(s) will be added if applicable.

**PAYMENT PLAN AVAILABLE ON ORDERS
OF \$30 OR MORE.**

3 EASY STEPS TO CREATE A YEARBOOK RECOGNITION AD!



Step 1

Choose your ad size and layout
(Options may vary by school.)



Step 2

Add your photos



Step 3

Enter your text

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are the guidelines for recognition ad content?

Schools may review and edit ads per their guidelines. Jostens retains the right to remove any explicit text, graphic photos or copyright-protected imagery or photos.

School Ad Content Guidelines:

Our school reserves the right to edit ads per our guidelines. Please make sure all submitted materials are appropriate for school publication.

How are the ad prices determined and what is the money used for?

Recognition ad prices are determined by our school. Revenue from recognition ads helps the school create a better, more affordable yearbook.

How is the ad deadline determined?

The ad deadline is set by our school based on the production schedule for the yearbook.

Can I create my student's ad on my mobile device?

Yes, yearbook ads can be created online from both desktop and mobile devices.



(800) 358-0800
jostensadservice.com/student



Did You Know...

SLS Weekly Sports News



REMINDERS ABOUT POLICIES REGARDING CELL PHONES & ELECTRONIC DEVICES

In the last several months, we have had an increase in students using their own devices cell phones, smart watches, and laptops/Chromebooks to contact parents for various reasons. We would like to remind parents and the students about the policies regarding such devices:

CELL PHONES/SMART WATCHES

◆ Cell phones and smart watches **MAY NOT** be used on campus before or during school except in cases of extreme emergency as identified by school personnel. (i.e., earthquake, fire, disaster) Students may not call home except in an emergency. A student may never call or text without permission from a supervising adult employee of the school during school hours. Continued violation of the cell phone policy may result in confiscation of the phone for the day.

◆ Students may not call home for forgotten items (i.e. P.E. clothes, books, schoolwork). Rides need to be arranged in advance. Children may not make personal, after school arrangements using the office telephone.

LAPTOPS/CHROMEBOOKS, etc.

The following rules are for technology use in the classroom:

- ◆ The school is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damage to devices.
- ◆ Devices must be kept on the desk at all times.
- ◆ The camera must remain off at all times, unless instructed otherwise by a teacher.
- ◆ All screen savers and wallpaper must be appropriate.
- ◆ Required Apps must be downloaded prior to use in classroom. Only school approved apps can be used while on campus.
- ◆ Devices are to be used for educational purposes only.
- ◆ Devices are to be used in the classroom only; they are not to be taken out to recess or lunch.
- ◆ Devices are to be fully charged at all times.

Please spend some time discussing these policies with your students so they are aware of the appropriate usage of these devices during school hours. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

St Louise Sports

Weekly Schedule for Feb 5th – Feb 11th

Save the dates: As our A level teams head for their stretch run to the playoffs. Boys A level is in 1st place in their league 3-0. The Girls A level team is also in 1st place in their league 6-0. Good Luck both teams!

- A Girls Playoffs begin Feb 17th-18th
- A Boys Playoffs begin Feb 24th-25th

Tuesday, Feb 6th:

- A Girls Basketball Game at St Louise vs Sacred Heart 3:45 pm
- A Boys Basketball Practice 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm
- Cheer Practice 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
- B Boys Basketball Game at St Louise vs OLA1 3:45 pm



Wednesday, Feb 7th:

- A Girls Basketball Game at Sacred Heart 3:45 pm
- A Boys Basketball Game at St John 3:45 pm
- B Boys Basketball Game at St Louise vs Holy Name 2 3:45 pm
- B Girls Basketball Game vs at St Louise vs Holy Name 3:45 pm



Thursday, Feb 8th:

- A Girls Basketball Practice 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm
- A Boys Basketball Practice 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Friday, Feb 9th:

- No after school sports activities

Saturday, Feb 10th:

- No After school sports activities

Sunday, Feb 11th:

- No After school sports activities

GO VIKINGS!



PACK 457

CUB SCOUTS

BAKE SALE

SAT 2/10 5PM-8PM

SUN 2/11 8:30AM-1:30PM

AFTER SUNDAY

MASSES



COME BUY GAME DAY TREATS



**ST. LOUISE DE MARILLAC CHURCH
BOY SCOUT TROOP 461**



CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR OUR

12th Annual Spaghetti Dinner

ENJOY AN EVENING OF DELICIOUS FOOD, EXCITING RAFFLES AND FELLOWSHIP ON

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2024

5PM-7PM

**ST. LOUISE DE MARILLAC PARISH HALL
1720E. COVINA BLVD | COVINA, CALIFORNIA**

\$12.00 PER TICKET

TO PURCHASE TICKETS OR SEND A DONATION VIA VENMO

@BSATROOP461 MEMO: SPAGHETTI DINNER - COMPLETE NAME

(TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT WILL CALL)

TICKETS WILL ALSO BE ON SALE AFTER AM MASSES ON

JANUARY 27-28 OR FEBRUARY 3-4

QUESTIONS? PLEASE EMAIL BSATROOP461@GMAIL.COM

ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT BOY SCOUT TROOP 461



FPRConnections

A WATCH PARTY GALA EVENT



**Foothills Pregnancy
Resource Center**

A State-Licensed Medical Clinic

Date: **Friday, Feb 9, 2024**

Time: **7:00 p.m.**

Location: **St. Dorothy - Parish Hall**

Guest Speaker: **Lori Berg**

Executive Director of Foothills Pregnancy Resource Center

Under Lori's direction, the FPRC staff works to empower men, women, and children who come to their center by providing a judgment-free space. The FPRC provides pregnancy support and resources, baby supplies, counseling, post abortion healing, and more.



**Get one raffle ticket for each package of
diapers or wipes you donate at the event.**

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED

This WATCH PARTY GALA EVENT is presented as FPRC's gala fundraiser.

Join us to watch this year's film and become familiar with the mission
of one of Los Angeles' finest local pregnancy clinics.

Help share their story & and partner with them!

SAVE THE DATE | BRING FRIENDS | TELL OTHERS



Learn more at foothillsprc.org

Text to RSVP: (213) 352-2950

Hosted by: St. Dorothy Catholic Church | 241 S. Valley Center Ave, Glendora, CA



SPARTAN SPIRIT SQUAD **TRYOUTS**

Mandatory Information Meeting: Wednesday
February 21st, 5:00pm in the Damien Event Center

**CLINICS: MONDAY MARCH 11TH AND FRIDAY
MARCH 15TH 4:00-6:30PM**

**TRYOUTS: SATURDAY MARCH 16TH,
9:00-12:00PM**

WHERE: DAMIEN EVENT CENTER

Tryouts are open to the classes of 2025, 2026, 2027, and
2028! We're looking for new members to join the squad!



DAMIEN_SPARTAN_SPIRIT



**SCAN
ME**



**Join our Band
page for more
info!**

PASTOR'S CORNER



War and Peace

Every morning I awake to news about the wars in Gaza and Ukraine. Every time I turn on the news, I am barraged with pictures of suffering of people engaged in war torn places. If I pick up the newspaper, I am once again drenched in war news.

I believe we are all tired of the wars raging in Europe and the Middle East. And that doesn't even count the wars we don't hear about in Africa, or the drug wars in Latin and South America and so on.

Reasonable people know this must stop.

When Hamas committed the atrocity of invading Israel, killing 1200 people, men women and children, the world looked on in horror and understood Israel's call for taking action to defend itself. While the bombing of apartment buildings, medical facilities and Houses of Worship was shocking, most could understand it. But then the body count started piling up. At what point does this attack stop being defense and become revenge and retribution?

Ukraine certainly had the right to protect its borders from Russia's attack. With lots of armaments supplied by NATO allies, they have amazingly held back Russia from running over their country. But after two years, as the body count piles up, one must wonder, is there another way?

It would be helpful to look at the Catholic Church's attitude towards war, today. Our Pontifical leader, Pope Francis, has made clear where he stands and urges us to stand with him. Pope Francis calls all forms of war a "crime against humanity," and urges humanity to learn how to desire peace through education that rejects violence.

Pope Francis said the effort to bring the wars in Ukraine and Gaza to an end and save civilians must not stop. "War itself is a denial of humanity," he said. "Let us not tire of praying for peace, for an end to conflicts, for a halt to weapons, and for relief for exhausted populations." Ending the wars in Ukraine and Gaza have been a constant theme of Pope Francis in numerous talks.

Pope Francis also renewed his appeal for the immediate release of all Israeli hostages, saying "Let all hostages, who had seen hope in the truce a few weeks ago, be freed immediately, so that this great suffering for Israelis and Palestinians might come to an end."

"No to weapons, yes to peace", Pope Francis says, renewing his appeal for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza, and the release of all hostages there.

He goes on to say, "We must educate for peace. It seems that we are not yet—all of humanity—with sufficient education to stop every war. Let us always pray for this grace: to educate for peace."

We might want to join in with our Pope in praying for peace and demanding a ceasefire to all aggressions. It is time for diplomats to step in and begin negotiating with all parties. Gazans' existence depends on a ceasefire. Ukrainians may be tiring of the specter of a forever war. We might want to let our elected representatives know that ending war is a moral imperative for us.



Fr. Robert Fulton

Pastor

PARISH NEWS...

St. Louise de Marillac Eucharistic Revival

AGAPE MARDI GRAS

Tuesday, February 13th
Conference Room at 7 PM

Come experience this unique gathering as we share fellowship, gathering in the name of the Lord.

Bring a favorite treat to share, maybe something that you plan to give up during Lent.

You can also bring your palms from last year. We will burn them in preparation for Ash Wednesday.

TOGETHER IN MISSION

Get ready for Together in Mission 2024 "Be Imitators of Christ" Annual Appeal. Mark your calendars and help our brothers and sisters during the captivating Commitment Weekend on February 10th and 11th.

As a united Catholic community of faith, let's come together in prayer and reflection, exploring ways to support our struggling parishes and schools in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

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2024 ANNUAL APPEAL

Did you know? Your gifts help 62 parishes and 71 schools in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Our cumulative Together in Mission 2024 goal is \$16.9 million, encompassing the Annual Appeal's impact across all five vibrant regions.

Track the progress of our parishes' goals and celebrate your outstanding contributions throughout the year on our Together in Mission Leaderboard, accessible at togetherinmission.org. Let's imitate Christ by helping our struggling parishes and schools in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, and gather as one Catholic family together.

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for the baskets.*



*For more information, contact Ivonne Melendrez at
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*This is held in conjunction with Spaghetti
Dinner on Saturday, March 16th.*

Ash Wednesday Services February 14th

8:30 AM Mass & Ashes

10 AM School Mass & Ashes

12 PM Service & Ashes

6 PM Service & Ashes

7:30 PM Mass & Ashes

*There will be no
confessions this day*

EUCCHARISITIC REVIVAL

Save the date for St. Louise de Marillac's upcoming Eucharistic Revival events:

- Tuesday, February 13th: Agape Mardi Gras celebration
- Tuesday, February 27th: Showing of the *Greatest Miracle* movie in the Conference Room.
- Thursdays, February 29th, March 7th and March 14th: A series discussing the Triduum.

For more information about these events or the Eucharistic Revival, contact Sheila Uriarte at 626-915-7873 ext. 403.

The Eucharistic Revival is The Eucharist Revival is a movement of Catholics across the United States, healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist—and sent out in mission “for the life of the world.” This movement was created to help renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

DID YOU KNOW?

Effectively communicating with your teenagers

During conversations with teenagers, focusing on the matter at hand is essential. It is tempting to make every dispute an opportunity to discuss multiple issues at the same time, but this is often counterproductive. Instead, addressing a particular issue at a time you are better able to guide and mentor teenagers by helping them look with clear eyes at the situation in front of them and work toward a solution.

For more information, read the VIRTUS® article “Communicating Tip No. 9: Avoid “Scope Creep” with Teens” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

For more information on other ways to keep kids safe, contact Linda Filkins, the Parish Safeguard Committee Chairperson at the Victims Assistance Office at (213) 637-7650.