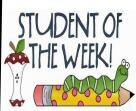


# **HAPPENINGS**



# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!

(For days of Feb. 13, 2023 through Feb. 17, 2023)

**Levi Banks, Gr. TK,** was recognized for always listening during learning time; and, for working hard on his classwork. Keep up the good work Levi!

*Brianna Silva, Gr. 2,* was recognized for her absolute attentions, her willingness to always work; and, for her great story writing! Fabulous job Brianna!

**Grayson Visosky, Gr. 5,** was recognized for showing strong growth in his work; and, for putting in much effort in his assignments. Keep it up Grayson!

*Luna Lucero, Gr. 8,* was recognized for her effort, participation, positive attitude; and, attention to detail. Hats off to you Luna!

WELL DONE!!



#### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

#### "State of the School Address" Meeting— Next Monday, March 6th

Be sure to mark your calendars for the "State of the School Address" Parent Meeting scheduled for next Monday, March 6th, 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.

| Inside This Issue!  |         |
|---|---------|
| Students of the Week "State of the School Address" Mtg.—March 6th   | 1       |
| <ul> <li>Prayers for Deceased</li> <li>23-24 Financial Aid</li> <li>School's Lenten "Stations of the Cross"</li> <li>Words of the Week</li> <li>Thank you 3rd Grade!</li> <li>Vision &amp; Hearing Results</li> </ul> | 2       |
| <ul> <li>End of 2nd Trimester—March 3rd</li> <li>23-24 Online Re-Registration</li> <li>Mother &amp; Son Dance! Be sure to RSVP &amp; Pay!</li> <li>Save the Date—Father &amp; Daughter Dance!</li> </ul>              | 3       |
| Mighty Mites Practices & Info.<br>SLS Sport News<br>Looking Ahead Calendar<br>Lenten Rice Bowls   | 4       |
| Parent Club Pizza Lunch Fundraiser<br>Device Usage Reminder   | 5       |
| Volunteering for Frontier Days Carnival<br>Get Next Year's Service Hours Done Early!  | 6       |
| SCRIP's "Raise Days"  | 7       |
| Spring Concert Auditions  | 8 & 9   |
| Easter Flower Memorial Fundraiser   | 10 & 11 |
| Youth Ministry's Shoe Collection  | 12      |
| Pastor's Corner   | 13      |
| • Parish News   | 14 &15  |

#### Special Dates of Interest

- ♦ Fri., March 3rd -END OF 2ND TRIMESTER
- ♦ Mon., March 6th "State of the School Address" Mtg. - Hall—6:30 pm
- **♦ Tues., March 7th—23-24 Online Re-Registration Begins**
- ♦ Fri., March 17th—Parent Club's "Pizza Lunch" Fundraiser
- ♦ Fri., March 24th -2023-2024 Online Re-Registration Ends
- ♦ Sat., March 25th— "Mother & Son" Dance Hall—6:30 pm
- ♦ Mon., March 27th—"Imagination Machine" Presentation Hall—8:30 am (Grs. TK thru 4) & 9:30 am (Grs. 5 thru 8)
- ♦ Thurs., March 30th—23-24 "Service Hours" Sign-Up Day Hall—5:30 to 7:00 pm

## Important to Remember...



#### 2023-2024 Financial Aid Applications

The Financial Aid applications for the 2023-2024 school year for the Catholic Education Foundation financial aid grants and St. Louise de Marillac financial aid is now up on the school website!

In order to be considered for St. Louise financial aid, you must apply for CEF financial aid. In addition to the completed CEF application, St. Louise requires a complete set of your taxes and a detailed letter stating why you are requesting aid. All of this documentation must be submitted no later than Thursday, March 23, 2023.

Completed applications & documentation must be turned in to the Finance Office at the Parish Center. The School Office will not be accepting applications.

Applications that are not completely filled out and/or are missing necessary documentation will not be accepted. Please note that necessary documentation is different for each application.

#### Words of the Week:

Lent is about becoming, doing, and changing, whatever it is that is blocking the fullness of life in us right now.

- Sr. Joan Chittister, OSB

#### VISION/HEARING TEST RESULTS

The results of your child(ren)'s hearing and vision tests which took place on February 15th were included in last week's family envelope on Tuesday, Feb. 21st. 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.



#### PRAYERS FOR DECEASED

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

- Nagib Tawadrous, grandfather of Mariam Hana (Gr. 6) who passed in December
- Bishop David O'Connell who passed away unexpectedly recently,

May God grant them eternal rest!



#### JOIN US...

Throughout the Lenten Season until Holy Week, all of our classes, (TK thru 8th) will be attending the Stations of the Cross in the Church.

We invite you to join us on the following days:

Thursday, March 2nd, at 1:15 pm-6th Grade

Friday, March 10th, at 1:15 pm-7th Grade

Friday, March 17th, at 1:15 pm-5th Grade

Friday, March 24th, at 1:15 pm-3rd Grade

Friday, March 31st, at 1:15 pm-4th Grade

Holy Thursday, April 6th, at 9:00 am in the Church 8th Grade will present the "Living Stations"

Come pray with us during this time of reflection & renewal in preparation for the death & resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ.



#### **THANK YOU 3RD GRADERS!**

Congratulations to our 3rd graders and Ms. Pompey for their beautiful planning and participation in the "Ash Wednesday Mass" Mass! It truly helped start our Lenten journey off in the right way!

Page 2 Volume 10 Issue 27

#### **Did You Know...**



## 23-24 GRADELINK ONLINE RE-REGISTRATION!

Mrs. Ossa will be giving more information about the 2023-2024

online re-registration at the "State of the School" meeting on Monday, March 6th, at 6:30 pm in the Msgr. Pierce Hall.

The online reenrollment period through Gradelink will be open starting Tuesday, March 7th, and end on Friday, March 24th. Once activated, current families will be able to access an "EnrollMe" tab within their parent account to register their child(ren) for the 2023-2024 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 7th.

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.

Your re-registration will not be finalized for the 2023-2024 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 Thursday, March 30th.

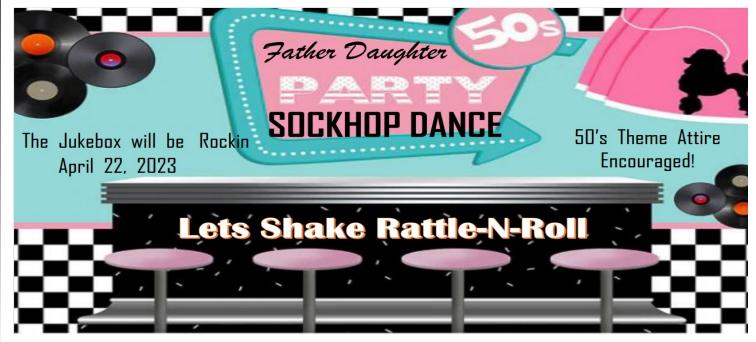
#### End of Second Trimester...

This Friday, March 3rd, is the end of the Second Trimester for the 2022-2023 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 this Wednesday, March 1st, just to be safe rather than sorry!





Volume 10 Issue 27

# **FYI...**

## SLS Weekly Sports News



B Girls Basketball: St. Dorothy's School has not yet given a date for a reschedule of the "rain out" game. We will update everyone as soon as it is rescheduled.

#### **Boys A level Soccer Coach Needed:**

We are in need of a volunteer to coach the Boys A level soccer team.

If you are available and interested, please contact Coach Sergio ASAP at SergioG@stlouisedm.org.

#### GO VIKINGS!



#### 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 Tuesday, April 4th, 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:

Today, Feb. 28th, 2:45 to 3:45 pm Wednesday, March 1st, 2:45 to 3:45 pm Thursday, March 2nd, 2:45 to 3:45 pm Friday, March 3rd, 2:15 to 3:15 pm \*

Tuesday, March 7th, 2:45 to 3:45 pm Thursday, March 9th, 2:45 to 3:45 pm Friday, March 10th, 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 11TH 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

#### LOOKING AHEAD...

nt Calend

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

- ♦ Fri., March 3rd—END OF 2ND TRIMESTER
- Mon., March 6th -

"State of the School Address" Mtg. - Hall-6:30 pm

Tues., March 7th -

2023-2024 Online Re-Registration Begins

♦ Fri.. March 17th -

Parent Club's "Pizza Lunch" Fundraiser

Fri., March 24th -

2023-2024 Online Re-Registration Ends

- Sat., March 25th -Mother/Son Dance - Hall—6:30 pm
- ♦ Mon., March 27th -

"Imagination Machine" Presentation.- Hall—8:30 am (Grs. TK thru 4) and 9:30 am (Grs. 5 thru 8)

Thurs., March 30th—23-24 "Service Hours" Sign-Up Day
- Hall—5:30 to 7:00 pm

#### **Important Reminders...**







# 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.

# "Parent Club" PIZZA LUNCH FUNDRAISER Friday, March 17th Deadline to Order is TUESDAY, 3-14-23 (12 Midnight)!



https://clipartix.com/piz

The Parent will be having a COSTCO pizza lunch fundraiser on Friday, March 17th. Profits from this pizza lunch will go towards scholarships for the 8th grade graduates.

The cost is as follows now:

- Pizza Regular (CHEESE ONLY)—\$5.00—ONE slice of pizza, one bad of chips, one fruits snack & one juice
- Pizza Plus (CHEESE ONLY) \$7.00 TWO slices of pizza, one bad of chips, one fruits snack & one juice

You will be ordering and paying for your pizza lunch ONLY through your Blackbaud Tuition account. 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., March 14th, 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 nonrefundable" (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.

Volume 10 Issue 27



Please consider volunteering for our 60th Frontier Days Carnival!

June 2nd, 3rd, 4th 2023

Frontier Days Carnival is one of our School and Parish's largest and most profitable fundraisers. Funds earned help keep our tuition affordable and go towards maintenance and upkeep of our St. Louise DM buildings and grounds.

for Carnival you will not only have fun and meet new people from our St. Louise community, you will earn your 40 mandatory school service hours.

#### <u>There is something for everyone:</u>

- Food & games booths
  - Boutique
- School Grand Raffle
  - Bingo
  - Marketing
  - Security
  - Setup/Teardown
- Donation opportunities
- Sponsorship opportunities
- Work from home positions

Please contact us for more information at: <a href="mailto:frontierdays@stlouisedm.org">frontierdays@stlouisedm.org</a>



# Earn with big bonuses on eGift cards and reloaded gift cards

Keep your earning for 2023 going strong with the first Raise Days of the year.

#### Get a Sneak Peek of all Raise Days bonuses

Exclusively in the RaiseRight mobile app, Wednesday, March 1



"I love these big bonus days. We're stocking up for spring break and our upcoming home projects. It makes earning so easy."

- Chris T.

#### How to participate



Already have a RaiseRight participant account?

View and shop bonuses March 2 - 3 on the RaiseRight mobile app or at RaiseRight.com.



#### Don't have an account yet?

Follow the easy steps to get started at **RaiseRight.com/m/StartEarning**.

Check with your program coordinator to get your organization's unique enrollment code.









© 2023 RaiseRight

# AUDITION FOR THE SPRING CONCERT!



MONDAY
MARCH 27
3:15PM

# AUDITIONS WILL BE IN THE MUSIC ROOM!

Please bring a karaoke track via device, or email Ms. M a copy of your track. All tracks must be school appropriate.

SELECTED ACTS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PERFORM IN THE SPRING CONCERT!

Email music@stlouisedm.org with any questions!



Our theme for the Spring Concert is "Decades!" I would like to invite all 3rd-8th grade students to audition for the opportunity to sing a solo/duet/group song at the concert!

Who can audition: 3rd-8th

When is auditions: Monday, March 27th at

3:15pm in the music room

How to sign up: Please sign up for a time on the

sheet in the music room

What to bring: Karaoke track via device, or

email Ms. M a copy of the karaoke track

What to sing: Any school appropriate song

from any decade!

Email music@stlouisedm.org with any more questions!



#### St. Louise de Marillac Catholic Church Confirmation/ Youth Ministry Faster Memorial Fundraiser

\*\*\*All donated plants to decorate altar & Ornaments with plant bulbs will be available for pick up April 23, 2023 in Faith Formation Office.

|   | 1. Name on Memorial Ornament: |
|---|-------------------------------|
|   | 2. Name on Memorial Ornament: |
|   | 3. Name on Memorial Ornament: |
|   | 4. Name on Memorial Ornament: |
|   | 5. Name on Memorial Ornament: |
|   | 6. Name on Memorial Ornament: |
|   | 7. Name on Memorial Ornament: |
|   | 8. Name on Memorial Ornament: |
|   | 9. Name on Memorial Ornament: |
| 1 | O. Name on Memorial Ornament: |

|   | Office use only         |
|---|-------------------------|
|   | Money received:         |
| ٩ | Cash Check Received by: |
|   | Order entered by:       |
|   |                         |



#### St. Louise de Marillac Catholic Church

# Confirmation/Youth Ministry Faster Memorial Fundraiser

Come support and purchase your Easter Lilies now from our St. Louise de Marillac Youth Ministry Final orders due March 10, 2023 between 8 am -1 pm.

Any questions please contact: Ivonne Melendrez 626-332-5822 or

email: Ivonnem@stlouisedm.org

Make Checks payable to: St. Louise Youth Ministry
Memo: Easter Memorial Fundraiser

|             | Meno: Easter Memorial Pundraiser                        |                   |       |
|-------------|---|-------------------|-------|
|             | Name:   |                   |       |
| Phone:      | Email:  |                   |       |
| -X=         | 6 inch Potted Easter Lilies                             | Cost              | x QTY |
|             | o men rotted Easter Lines                               | \$15 x _          | _=\$  |
| 6 inch Pott | ed Asiatic Easter Lilies Assorted colors ***not picture | 1 <b>\$15</b> x _ | =\$   |
|             | 6 inch Potted Assorted Color Mums                       | \$13 x_           | _=\$  |
| •           | 6 inch Potted White Mums                                | \$13 x_           | _=\$  |
|             | 6 inch Potted Begonia                                   | \$13 x_           | _=\$  |

#### Please write Memorial name on the back.

\*\*You may purchase these Easter Lilies/Other plants to decorate our altar during Easter.

Place the names to be displayed on the ornaments, on the back of the order form. 1-2 names fit.

Please use otherside to Enter the names

#### ( ) Pick up ( )Decorate Church

Total Amount of your Order=\$

Thank you for your continued support!

Pick up & Purchase extras by the Hall Patio

APRIL 2, 2023



8 AM -1 PM

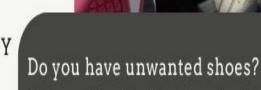
Total Plants

1720 E. Covina Blvd., Covina, Ca 91724

Ornament

# CONFIRMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY SHOE COLLECTION!

ST. LOUISE DE MARILLAC
CONFIRMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY



Help our Youth in Confirmation/ Youth ministry by donating your gently worn, new & used shoes!

Start saving those shoes and help us by donating them at our collection date on March 25-April 1, 2023 outside the Faith Formation Office. Our goal is to fill 50 bags of 25 pairs. Shoe Criteria: (All sizes)

- · Athletic Shoes (tie pairs together with shoelaces)
- · Dress shoes (rubber band together)
- · Boots
- ·Sneakers
- · NO HOLES & NO TEARS
- · Shoe soles must be in good condition.

For more information Contact: Ivonne Melendrez 626-332-5822 or email: Ivonnem@stlouisedm.org

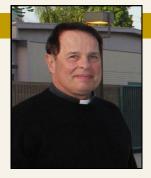
\*Ask your Family, Neighbors, and Co-workers to donate too.

Together lets make a difference in a 3rd world country.





#### PASTOR'S CORNER

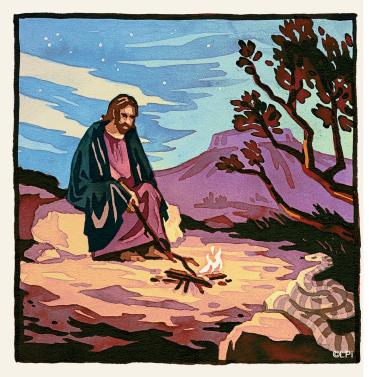


#### Jesus in the Desert and the First Sunday of Lent

The Spirit leads Jesus into the wilderness. Why is this important to us? First, Jesus prepares himself by fasting and prayer to face the Devil. Fasting and prayer prepare one to face temptation and to remember that all is possible with God; God always has our backs. Jesus also challenged the notion that using power and influence to get what one wants is right.

The temptations that Jesus faced are common to all people. The first temptation was fulfilling a need for the body. Jesus is hungry! But Jesus is not tricked. He quotes Deuteronomy which states, "He therefore let you be afflicted with hunger...so you might know that it is not by bread alone that people live, but by all that comes forth from the mouth of the LORD." (DT 8:3) The second temptation is a lesson on the use of power. Again, in Deuteronomy, Jesus states that it is wrong for him to abuse his own powers. The third temptation was for Jesus to bypass the mission he came into the world to accomplish, his death by crucifixion and his resurrection. Here Jesus almost sounds a little testy, as he tells the Devil, "You shall worship the Lord your God and serve Him only" (DT 6:13).

Jesus' ordeal prepared him for his earthly ministry. First, he suffered all of the weaknesses all of us suffer. Throughout Jesus' ministry he had compassion for people who were sick, hungry or in need. Also, he often faced people in power who tried to trick him to deny his assertion of what he had come to do.



The promise to us in the Gospels is that Jesus will always be with us, even as we enter the wildernesses in our lives. The wilderness of illness, the loss of a job, the death of someone you care about, of humiliation, to mention only a few. Jesus has already faced a great ordeal. He understands our suffering. Even when we fail the tests of the challenges we face in our lives, God is there.

Today is the First Sunday in Lent. I believe we have much to learn from this Gospel as we enter the Season of Lent. Lent, like Jesus' time in the wilderness, is a time for us to prepare ourselves for the ordeals we face in this life and to reconcile our spiritual life with the sacrifices Jesus suffered during his lifetime. We are asked to pray, fast, and give alms. These are the "big 3" of Lent. Prayer brings us closer to God. Go to Mass, pray the Rosary, just talk to God. Share your fears, your shame, your sorrows. God will walk all those journeys with you! I promise you, God is right next to you, always. That was the big promise Jesus revealed. Emmanuel – God With Us.

It is traditional that we give something up that we like during the 40 days of Lent. Some people give up chocolate, coffee, wine, screen time or a myriad of other things. We fast and don't eat meat on the Fridays of Lent. Come to church to pray the Stations of the Cross. That is a great way to feel what Jesus endured for us. That helps us to be more sympathetic to the sufferings of others. Make donations to important causes. Many years, Confirmation Students collect money for Catholic Relief Services participating in the Rice Bowl Project. If you know a student in Confirmation preparation, donate money to this cause. He or she will be thrilled to collect alms from you. I hope your Lenten experience is rich as we prepare for Easter Sunday.

Fr. Pobet Fullow

### PARISH NEWS...

St. Lovise de Marillac Parish

# **SOUP & SCRIPTURE**

# **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 3RD

Everyone is invited to this wonderful opportunity for prayer, fasting and almsgiving while enjoying a bowl of homemade soup prepared and served by your fellow parishioners.

5:30 PM DOORS OPEN 6:00 PM SOUP SERVED IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
PRESENTER:
DCN. ALAN HOLDERNESS

Stations of the Cross is a Lenten devotion that offers witness to Jesus' Passion and Death. At each station we use our senses and our imagination to reflect prayerfully upon Jesus' suffering, Death, and Resurrection, and to simply experience the visual images to reflect on Christ's love for us.

#### 7:00 PM IN THE CHURCH





#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

#### Know how to report abuse in California

It is important to take immediate action if someone discloses abuse to you, or if you suspect abuse or neglect is happening. The Archdiocese of Los Angeles offers a detailed list of resources with information about what to do if you suspect a child, vulnerable or elderly adult is being abused. All employees and volunteers within the Archdiocese of Los Angeles are expected to report suspected abuse to the appropriate civil authorities and to Victims Assistance Ministry.

For more information, visit lacatholics.org/reporting-child-abuse. For more information about support for victim-survivors and abuse prevention and protection efforts of the Archdiocese, visit lacatholics.org/protect.

For more information on other ways to keep kids safe, contact Linda Filkins, the Parish Safeguard Committee Chairperson at the Parish Office at (626) 915-7873 or the Archdiocesan Safeguard the Children Office at (213) 637-7227. For particular help, call the Victims Assistance Office at (213) 637-7650.

Page 14 Volume 10 Issue 27

### **PARISH NEWS...**

# A SPECIAL MASS FOR FAMILIES SUFFERING FROM SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Brothers and Sisters,

Many of us are in despair over the safety and wellbeing of a loved one who is struggling with addiction. Statistics show that an increasing number of Americans are turning to alcohol and drugs each year for innumerable reasons, and accessibility to these substances are very easy. When our spouse, parent, sibling, or child becomes chemically and emotionally dependent on such substances, the entire family unit is deeply and painfully affected. In the meantime, it feels like all we can do is watch in despair as they fall further and further into their addiction.

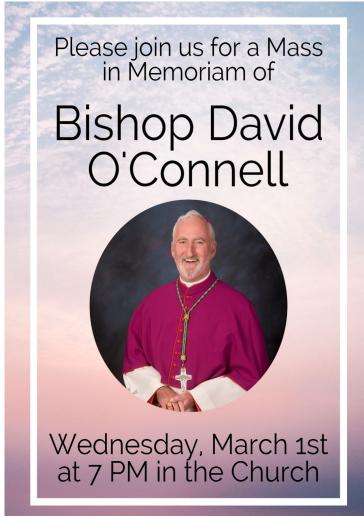
Please join us at a special Mass to pray for our families suffering from substance abuse on **Saturday, March 4th at 12 PM**.

There is power and healing in prayer! We must not let the abuser's behavior dictate ours. Letting the afflicted member of our family dictate our every action is not healthy for us or the family unit – prayer, faith, and hope is. Giving our worries up to Jesus and asking for His intercession is the most prayerful action we can do for our loved one and our family.

Prayer cards and a limited quantity of reading material will be available for you to take home and continue your devotion to pray to heal all at this Mass. If you would like to request a Mass Intention for this Mass, please contact the Parish Office.

Fr. Robert Fulton Pastor





#### **BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND**

A Beginning Experience® Weekend retreat for Widowed,

Separated & Divorced Adults will be held from March 3rd thru 5th at the Holy Spirit Retreat Center (Encino). Trained peer ministers guide and encourage hurting people to take steps on their grief journey towards a new beginning after a spousal loss. For more information, see www.beginningexperience.org or https://familylife.lacatholics.org/beginning-experience.

A \$75 deposit is required IN ADVANCE; need-based financial aid is available. To register, CALL Maria (909) 592-0009 or EMAIL beginningexp.losangeles@gmail.com.

Beginning Experience

Volume 10 Issue Page 15

A DDI ODAO