



The Light

St. Luke Catholic School

January 28, 2015



"Great peace have those who love your law, and nothing can make them stumble"

Ps 119:165

Catholic Schools Week Service Project to Benefit St. PJ's

In celebration of Catholic Schools Week, St. Luke Catholic Student Club and the Beta Club are sponsoring a school-wide charity drive January 21-30 to benefit the St. Peter St. Joseph Children's Home. The following items from the St. PJ's wish list are being requested. Please bring your donations to your homeroom by Friday, January 30. *Note:* all items must be new.

- ◆ Socks (all sizes)
- ◆ Undershirts (all sizes)
- ◆ Hair ribbons/ponytail holders
- ◆ Baby items (diapers, wipes, shampoo, etc.)
- ◆ Basketball shorts (all sizes)
- ◆ Pajama bottoms (all sizes/boys and girls)
- ◆ Cleaning supplies

In addition to collecting the items above, the older students will be working with the younger students during Catholic Schools week to make Valentine's cards for the children at St. PJ's. The cards will be given to the children at St. PJ's during a Valentine's party hosted by the Beta Club.

Standardized Testing - IOWA Test (1st - 8th Grade) Mark Your Calendar

The IOWA test will be administered to students in 1st through 8th grade March 17 through March 27, 2015. Make-up testing will be limited. All students should be present and on time for school unless they are ill.

We wish all our students the best.

Catholic Schools Week Activities


- Thursday, 8:15, All- school Teacher Appreciation Mass led by PTC, followed by Virtue of the Month Awards.
- Thursday, wear the **St. Luke uniform**; Game Day with buddies.
- Friday, **Civvies Day** for all students; see page 18 in the Handbook for guidelines.
- Friday, 1:30 p.m., Closing Ceremony in the gym; Cheerleaders, 8th grade performance, faculty relay race, faculty and 8th grade volleyball game.



Sibling Registration

Sibling registration for the 2015-2016 school year will be held on Mon., Feb. 2, following morning prayer in the school office. Please bring the following documents when registering your child: birth certificate (certified record), baptismal certificate and shot records. All school accounts must be up to date in order for a sibling's registration to be accepted.

If your child will be registering for Pre-K, and they are currently enrolled in the St. Luke Child Development Center (Day Care) you do not need to attend sibling registration. You will receive a registration packet from the day care staff.

 St. Luke Catholic School www.stlukecatholic.org			28 Open House, 8:30-10:30 a.m. <i>Beginner Strings, 3:30-4:30</i>	29 Mass led by PTC, Virtue of the Month <i>Faculty Appreciation Day</i> <i>Play-Well Tech</i> Advanced Strings, 3:30-4:30 <i>HipHop Dance Class</i>	30 Catholic Schools Week Closing Ceremony, 1:30 p.m., GYM "Civvies" Day for all students (no coupon needed)	31
February 1	2 Sibling Registration, 8:00 a.m., School Office	3 Middle School Honors Ceremony, 8:05 a.m. Choir, 3:30-4:15 <i>After-school Art class</i>	4 Beginner Strings, 3:30-4:30 <i>Mad Science</i>	5 Mass led by 4th Gr. <i>Play-Well Tech</i> Advanced Strings, 3:30-4:30 <i>HipHop Dance Class</i>	6 PTC "Civvies" Day (must have "Civvies" Day coupon) <u>NOON DISMISSAL</u>	7

From the Nurse...

Influenza is very prominent in San Antonio at this time. Help us keep the St. Luke School community safe by following a few health tips.

Here are some ways to stop the spread of germs and sickness:

- If your children are sick, keep them at home. Do not send them to school.
- If some of the people in your home are sick with the flu, keep them away from the people who are not sick.
- Be sure that all persons in your home wash their hands frequently with soap and water.

Things to remember: Report to the school nurse if your child has a confirmed case of the flu, as these numbers need to be tracked. If the flu is confirmed, a doctor's note needs to be sent with students when they return to school stating that they have been cleared.



A reminder that all medications should be brought to the school nurse. At no time should students carry medications with them (including over-the-counter medications). The only exception is inhalers when the student has written permission from their physician that they may self-administer. Please review the "Medication General Policy Information" on page 36 of the 2014-2015 Parent and Student Handbook.



Attention 8th Grade Parents

If you did not attend re-registration (families who do *not* have a student returning to St. Luke next year) please come by the school office starting Tuesday, February 3, to pick up your Gala tickets. The school office is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. We regret that tickets cannot be sent home with students.

Religion Bowl Congratulations



Congratulations to all of the students in 5th through 8th grade who participated in the Religion Bowl. The Religion Bowl was a highly competitive academic challenge. All in attendance were impressed with the contestants' knowledge of our Catholic faith!

Daniela Arenas, 6th grade, finished in first place. Hannah Albor, 8th grade, took home the second place trophy, and Nick Garza, 8th grade, came in third. All of the other contestants received medals of participation: James Nanthikattu, Kirstiene Victoriano, Rene Labbe, Giselle Garcia, Franco Alonso, Emma Buhman, Emmett Pena, Carolina Alvarez, Sierra Jaramillo, Tory Meeks, Alyssa Orozco, Van Nguyen, and Michelle Enciso. Great job!

Congratulations Basketball

The A-boys basketball team finished their season as district champions. The A-girls team are district runners-up. Good luck to both teams as they compete in the AIAL playoffs next week.



Counselor's Corner...

PARENTING TIPS FOR 2015

PARENTING TIP #3: Tackle one behavior or issue at a time.

Parents often focus on several behavior issues at once. This is understandable. School attendance, grades, chores, arguing and tantrums are all valid reasons for a parent to step in and teach their kids how to meet their responsibilities respectfully and on time. Trying to do it all at once is not an effective way of bringing about behavior change. Most parents and kids just become too overwhelmed with the pressure to improve every part of their lives at once. Giving yourself permission to slow down and focus on a plan to help your child practice better behavior will be more effective in the long run. It will give you and your child a chance to stay grounded and clear about expectations and limits at home and school.

Read more: <http://www.empoweringparents.com/8-best-parenting-tips-for-2015.php#ixzz3O9Vmzno3>

Calendar on School Website Now Downloadable



The school website, www.stlukecatholic.org, has recently undergone an upgrade. One of the new features allows users to synchronize school events to Outlook, iCal, or your favorite calendar. Click on the .ICS icon (upper right corner of the calendar in *month* view). When an event is added to the school calendar, your calendar should automatically update.

Virtue of the Month for
January: Peace
February: Love