



## **ST. PIUS X PARISH SCHOOL**

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### **MAY/JUNE FAMILY NEWSLETTER**

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#### **FAITH & COMMUNITY**

##### **PENTECOST**

“Jesus said to his disciples, ‘When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak what he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine.’” – *John 15:26-27; 16:12-15*

##### **ADVOCATE**

On the feast of Pentecost, we celebrate the birth of the Church. Jesus promised his disciples that he would send an Advocate to help them *testify*, which means to “speak out.” Jesus calls the Holy Spirit the *Advocate*, which means “one that helps and supports.” The Holy Spirit will also help us to “testify,” that is to live the life Jesus calls us to live. How do we testify our love for Jesus and encourage others to do the same?

WEEKLY SCHOOL MASS - EVERY FRIDAY @ 8AM – Please join us for our last few Friday masses! This is a wonderful opportunity to be a part of our students’ daily faith formation at school. Our final mass will be on Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 8am.

Please visit our school website at [www.spxraiders.com](http://www.spxraiders.com) for more information about our Preschool and Transitional Kindergarten programs.

#### **SCHOOL NEWS AND REMINDERS**

- *MS. FELICIA’S Retirement Celebration will be held on Tuesday May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8am in the school courtyard! Join us in celebrating Ms. Felicia’s dedication to our school. Coffee and refreshments will be offered in the Hall immediately following.*
- MICHAELS’ UNIFORM Sale, Thursday, May 31<sup>st</sup> from 2pm-5pm. Michael will be offering a 15% discount on CASH purchases and 10% off of ATM & CREDIT card purchase on this day. Uniforms will NOT be sold at Final Registration in August. Please note that Michael also takes phone and online orders for those that cannot attend on May 31<sup>st</sup> and are in need of uniform items.



- June SLE AWARDS for Kinder through 8<sup>th</sup> grade, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Trimester Awards for our 8<sup>th</sup> graders on will be distributed on Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup> immediately after mass. A Student Council Induction Ceremony will be held immediately following 8<sup>th</sup> grade awards
- DONUTS for DADS, Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup> @ 7:30am in the Hall.
- GRADUATION DAY will take place on Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup> – 10:30 am Mass & 5pm Ceremony. All are welcome to join us on this day, as all school students will attend the mass at 10:30am.
- ALL SCHOOL CLEAN UP will begin Thursday, June 7<sup>th</sup> – There will be 12:30 Dismissal and NO DAYCARE AVAILABLE on this day as Fiesta set up will be taking place.
- FIESTA Weekend begins Friday, June 8, 2018 and runs through Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. There will be NO SCHOOL on MONDAY, June 11<sup>th</sup>.
- END OF YEAR PICNIC will be held on Wednesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10:30 and all students will be dismissed at 12:30pm. If you'd like to help on this day, contact your classroom Room Mom. There will be NO DAYCARE AVAILABLE on this day.
- ACCOUNT BALANCES must be paid in full for students to receive their report card on the final day of school, Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.
- 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR NEWS
  - August 18<sup>th</sup> will be Final Registration & Supply Drop off in the classrooms from 9am until 12pm. Teachers will be available to meet families on this day. More details to come as the Advisory Committee will be planning an event for the day.
  - August 22<sup>nd</sup> is the FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL. The first three days of school will be 12:30 pm dismissal days with NO DAYCARE AVAILABLE.
  - August 23<sup>rd</sup> will be the first day of our Pre School program, 8am-11am.
  - August 27<sup>th</sup> will be the first day of STAR testing for ALL students, TK-8 and will go through to September 7<sup>th</sup>.
- SUMMER MAILERS will be EMAILED by the end of June. Please be sure email addresses in the office are current and up to date. Supply lists, Emergency Kit information, and any other summer communication will ONLY be emailed to parents. Hard copies will be available in the school office during summer office hours – Monday-Thursday, 8am – 12pm. The School Office will close from July 4<sup>th</sup> through July 20<sup>th</sup> and re-open on Monday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Advisory Committee is hosting their first Fundraising event on Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at S & P restaurant. Twenty percent of all purchases for the day will be donated to the school. Be sure to have your flyer with you and ready to submit before paying your bill!

The AC will also be working with the Fiesta Committee to sponsor a school booth at the 2018 Fiesta. Committee members will be seeking out parents to work the booth over the weekend, separate from the 5 hours of service required by the school. The goal is to ensure the support of the Fiesta as it is one of the biggest sources of raised funds that comes back to the school from a parish event. Please contact the Advisory Committee if you'd like to support the school booth.

We encourage families to reach out with any ideas, questions, or concerns at any time. Email at [spxac@spxraiders.com](mailto:spxac@spxraiders.com) at any time.

### **TUITION & FUNDRAISING**

Fundraisers conducted at St. Pius X ensure that the school can maintain lower tuition rates, as tuition does not cover the full cost of educating each child enrolled at our school. Through fundraising, the school does not charge an actual "cost per pupil" tuition rate, and can also offer multiple student family rates. For many of our families that have more than one student enrolled in our school, this discount is a necessity for their children to be able to receive a private Catholic school education.

Fundraising allows our school to continue to offer a quality program without making unreasonable increases to tuition and fees. Fundraising details and requirements are published in the Parent-Student Handbook yearly. The efforts of our families to help raise funds for the school is always greatly appreciated.

Thank you to all of our families that participate in fundraising, meet their goals, and go above and beyond to ensure St. Pius X can continue to offer a quality education to all of its students!

### **FIESTA NEWS**

Preparation for the 2018 St. Pius X Parish Fiesta is under way. Last year the school received 50% of the profit made during the three day weekend, despite solely providing 20% of the work force and 40% of the ticket sales. It is imperative that families complete their required 5 hours, and essential in offering more time to the weekend. It would be amazing to see our school families out there all weekend ensuring the success of an event that contributes a large portion of fundraising that assists our school in functioning.

For more information on how you can help with the Fiesta outside of your required family hours, please contact your 2018 Fiesta Chairman, Tony Reyes, Knights of Columbus at: [562-225-8628](tel:562-225-8628)

### **FUN RUN**

Thank you to all of our families that fulfilled their commitment to the Fun Run Fundraiser! To date, the profit from the fundraiser is \$8, 261.00! There are still 34 families that have

not fulfilled the requirement with \$5,345.00 outstanding. Please be sure to get your Fun Run funds in as soon as possible.

#### TUPPERWARE

An email will be sent out as soon as we have a date available for pick-up of orders.

#### **PARENT VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS & UPDATES**

Please note that any parent who volunteers for school activities and events in which students are present must have completed the "Protecting God's Children" VIRTUS class and REMAIN CURRENT by registering their email address and completing monthly training bulletins. If you have not been receiving training bulletins, you MUST retake the 3 hour VIRTUS certification class. Your cooperation and participation are greatly appreciated! Should you have questions about your account, please contact the VIRTUS helpline, accessible through [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org).

All parents that took the VIRTUS class over two years ago and have not received and/or completed online training bulletins MUST take the 3 hour VIRTUS certification class AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Parents must also be fingerprinted through the LA Archdiocese sponsored LiveScan. Fingerprinting schedules are located on [www.la-archdiocese.org](http://www.la-archdiocese.org) under "Protecting Children" and VIRTUS class schedules are available at [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) under "Registration." We are located in the **San Pedro Region of the Los Angeles Archdiocese**. Notices will be sent to all school families when classes are available through the St. Pius X Parish.

*Please check [www.spxraiders.com](http://www.spxraiders.com) for calendar, announcements, & other school information!*

