



ST. THERESE-E-VENTS

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CALENDAR UPDATES:

- Fri. Feb. 5 **NO SCHOOL**
ARCHDIOCESE INSERVICE
- Tues. Feb 9 St. Michael's Lunch
 2:30pm Dismissal
 6:00pm Parent's Club
 meeting - Library
- Wed. Feb 10 6:00pm Open House for new
 families
- Thurs. Feb 11 8:30am Student Body Mass-
 4th grade
- Fri. Feb 12 **NOON DISMISSAL**
 Accreditation Work Day
- Mon. Feb. 15 **NO SCHOOL**
PRESIDENT'S DAY

A Note from Sr. Kathy

Enclosed in today's Family Envelope is this newsletter and the Re-registration packet for the 2010-2011 school year. Please read the registration letter, complete the packet and return it to the school office by February 26. If you have any questions, please contact me by phone or stop by the office.

Happy Catholic Schools Week! "Catholic Schools: Dividends for Life". It's been a terrific week with great themes and great fun! Yesterday was especially festive with our school-wide celebration of Nation Day!

The entire school was dressed in "red, white, and blue" and gathered for an assembly at 10:30 a.m. in the church. **Our two new citizens, Kindergartener Lexi T.† and Senora Mesa,** were very touched by our assembly and gifts. Thank you Mrs. Mann for making Lexi and Senora two beautiful red, white and blue bracelets as a remembrance of their citizenship. Ed Langlois from the Catholic Sentinel attended the festivities and interviewed Senora Mesa, Lexi and Lexi's



mother, Julie. Be sure to look for a story on our two new U.S. citizens and pictures of our children performing.

Today we had our **first Open House for prospective parents.** If you have relatives or friends interested in attending St. Therese School, **there is information on the school website about future Open Houses.** Please print out the flyer and pass on the information to your family and friends. Our next Open Houses are at 6:00pm on February 10 and March 3. St. Therese families that refer other families to the school will receive a \$300 tuition credit through the **Student Referral Program.**

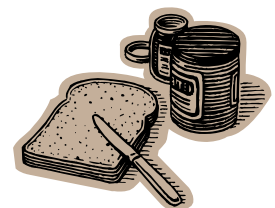


Our 5 gallon water jug is almost full of coins and dollar bills for **Haiti Relief.** WOW! Way to go, St. Therese students! Catholic Schools Week ends today so we will begin counting the money and send a check to Catholic Relief Services. Maybe we should have a contest! How much money is in the Haiti Relief jug?

There is **no school tomorrow, February 5.** The teachers will be attending an Archdiocesan Faith Formation Inservice at St. John the Baptist School in Milwaukie. The guest speaker is Dr. Michael Horan, professor of Theological Studies at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles.

Next Tuesday is **St. Michael's Day.** It's our opportunity to help provide for the homeless people of Portland. Send in your **loaves of bread and/or jars of peanut butter** next Monday and Tuesday. Thank you!

Have a great weekend!
Sr. Kathy, shcj



HEART-O-GRAMS

The Student Council will be selling Heart-O-Grams, before and after school, through Wednesday, February 10. You have a few more days to buy a **Heart-O-Gram, for 50 cents**, for that special person in your life. Heart-O-Grams will be delivered to students on February 12 before the Valentine Parties.



VALENTINE PARTIES

Room Mothers and Fathers, please note that Valentine Parties for K-5 will be on Friday, February 12 from 11-11:30 a.m. Contact your classroom teacher for more information.

EXCLUSION DAY IS COMING

If you received a letter from the Multnomah County Health Department regarding immunizations your child is required to have in order to remain in school, but have not forwarded any updates to the school office your child will be excluded from school as of **Wednesday, February 17th**. If we must exclude your child we will be calling home and/or your work and you will be required to pick your child up. If your child has received these mandatory immunizations, please let the office know as soon as possible. Thank you for your help.

PARKING LOT

When you are dropping off your children in the morning, it is very important that you use the lane closest to the school. Do not let your children out where they will be required to walk through parked cars and across traffic to get to safety. It may take you an extra minute, but we are sure that you take your child's safety as your number one priority. Thank you.



RAFFLE TICKETS

If you have sent in an order form for Raffle tickets they can be picked up in the school office. We don't send them home with your student because they cannot be reproduced if they are lost or misplaced.

A Prayer for Priests

In this Year of the Priest, O God, we ask Your blessing on those You have called to priestly ministry.

May they, above all, be faithful and passionate followers of Your beloved Son, Jesus.

May they be compassionate, as Jesus was, toward all who seek spiritual comfort and forgiveness.

May they open wide their hearts to all in need of Your merciful embrace.

May they be teachers, as Jesus was, steeped in Your Word and teaching, on fire with it, and breaking it open for all who are hungry for Your holy and transforming Word.

May they be prophets, as Jesus was, speaking courageously for what is right and true, proclaiming Your kingdom to all in need of Your grace and giving voice to all Your children, especially the poor and marginalized.

May they be prayerful, as Jesus was, hearts burning within them and set upon You above all. From the rising of the sun to its setting, may they be the voice of praise and thanksgiving, and of faith, hope, and love to all in their care.

St. John Vianney, beloved priest of God, pray for us and for all your brother priests.

Amen.