

## SJPS PARENT NEWSLETTER

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Sunday (April 2, 2017) Scripture: John 11:1-45

#### REFLECTION

Lazarus and his sisters were good friends of Jesus and his death disturbed Jesus deeply. Jesus had no house of his own, but He was welcomed in their home. Yet, when Jesus was told of the condition of Lazarus, He waited for two more days before He left for Bethany. It puzzled us why Jesus did not go at once to see Lazarus. At times we go with our problems to God and we expect an immediate response. He is not deaf, but He does things in his time and in his way. People's understanding and self-confidence have often grown the most in times when results are not immediately forthcoming. After we have suffered, we understand others' pain better. The person who has accepted the pain of a daughter who died young is more compassionate when facing other people's grief. The doctor who has been seriously ill becomes more caring for his patients. The parent who lived with the heartaches for a son who destroyed the family's good name is more understanding to suffering parents. It took these people much time before they could discover the new life behind the suffering.

The Christian who expects an instant response to his prayer has a very weak faith. Children do not become thoughtful because of a few reminders, thoughtfulness takes much training. People do not trust each other at once during courtship. Both have to prove their sincerity on many occasions. Even after marriage there are times when only faith makes them go on especially when there are signs which seem to belie sincerity.





Father Efren Tomas, MS
Pastor

#### St. Joseph Church

#### **Schedule of Masses**

- 6:30 am Monday-Friday
- 6:30 pm 1st Tuesday of the Month-Healing Mass with Anointing
- 6:30 pm Wednesday, OLPH Novena/Mass
- 6:30 pm 1st Friday Mass
- 7:00 am Saturday
   Morning Mass
- 6:00 pm Saturday Vigil Mass

### **Sunday Masses**

- 6:00 am, 8:00 am, 12:00
   Noon, 5:00 pm and
   7:00 pm
- 3:00 pm 3rd Sunday-Tagalog Mass
- 3:00 pm Last Sunday—
  Ilocano Mass

# PHYSICAL EDUCATION P.E. Uniform

Monday,

April 3rd

Grades Pre K and K

Tuesday,

April 4th

Grades 1 and 2

Wednesday,

April 5th

NO ENRICHMENT

CLASSES

Thursday,

April 6th

Grades 3, 4, and 5

Friday,

April 7th

Grades 6, 7, and 8

## **Important Upcoming Dates**

### Monday, April 3rd

Morning Prayer Service led by Math Department



Fourth Quarter Begins

# COLOR RUN DEADLINES

- Souvenir pack/tshirt orders due
- Week 3 donation of \$35 to earn a Rubik's Cube keychain and casual dress on Wednesday, April 5th.

### Tuesday, April 4th

Grade 2 Parents' Eucharist Class 1 at 6:30 pm



# Wednesday, April 5th

All families who turned in a Color Run donation of \$35 or more by Monday, April 3rd have a casual dress day with school shoes & socks.

# Thursday, April 6th

Grade 2 Parents' Eucharist Class 2 at 6:30 pm



# Friday, April 7th

Flag Raising at 7:20 am

Stations of the Cross at 7:50 am FORMAL UNIFORM



## **COLOR FUN RUN UPDATE**

### **MONDAY, APRIL 3RD**

1. Souvenir pack/tshirt orders are due

by Monday dismissal-no exceptions. Members of the PTG Board will be in the Tech Lab starting at about 2 pm to receive the order forms and payment. Please make sure to have the exact change if paying in cash



2. **Week 3 donation is also due on Monday.** The minimum donation is \$35 to receive your prize of a Rubik's Cube keychain and casual dress on Wednesday, April 5th.

**SPECIAL DONOR PLAQUE:** Would you like your name included on a special donor plaque? You just need to make a one time donation of \$100. The PTG Board will be reaching out to the families that have already made a one-time donation of \$100 via email, please be on the lookout. They would like to get started on this year's plaque as early as possible.

#### **Lent 2017:**

## BUILDING A CULTURE OF ENCOUNTER

Christ's resurrection is not an event of the past; it contains a vital power which has permeated this world. Where all seems to be dead, signs of the resurrection suddenly spring up. It is an irresistible force. Often it seems that God does not exist: all around us we see persistent injustice, evil, indifference and cruelty. But it is also true that in the midst of darkness something new always springs to life and sooner or later produces fruit. On razed land life breaks through, stubbornly yet invincibly. However dark things are, goodness always re-emerges and spreads. Each day in our world beauty is born anew, it rises transformed through the storms of history. Values always tend to reappear under new guises, and human beings have arisen time after time from situations that seemed doomed. Such is the power of the resurrection, and all who evangelize are instruments of that power. – Pope Francis, *The Joy* of the Gospel

How has my journey of Lent so far prepared me to become an instrument that brings forth "the power of the resurrection?" How will this mindset influence my work for and with those who are most in need? How can the hope of Easter permeate even the most desperate of situations?



## Our Special Intentions

## We pray for...

- •Our La Salette community.
- •The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Paul De Chartres.
- •Family members of Sister Judith Abique, SPC and Sister Fidelia Villa, SPC.
- •Mr. Pio Guerrero.
- Roxann Rogers-Sebala, mother of Ms.
   Heidi and Ms Kristyn
   (Paraeducators for Gr. 1).
- •Herbert Walker, father of Ann Claire (5B).
- •Mrs. Irene Sandry, grandmother of Tania Ma'afala (Gr. 7A).
- Mrs. Louisa Comajis, aunt and Mr. Jimmy Sandobal, uncle of Ms. Sandobal.
- Mrs. Tokuda, mother of Ms. Grace (Cafeteria Manager).
- •Ms. Sandobal.
- •Dr. Rick Yamashiro and family.
  (Counselor and Dean of Students)
- •Yukie, aunt of Mrs. Eileen (3-5 Paraeducator).
- •Laura Gabriel, (PE teacher and Co Athletic Director).
- •Stanley and Genny Inase, cousins of Ms. Sandobal.
- •Repose of the soul of Regina

Salisbury

- Repose of the soul of Pilong Cachero, great uncle of Ahrianna Acosta (4B).
- •Bryce, Jason, and their families.
- •Peter Akuna.
- •Dave Bonus, father of Mrs. Ashley Rupert (Gr. 4-5 LA Teacher) .
- •James Abreu, son of Frances Abreu, School Development Assistant.
- •Quirino Armas, grandfather of Joshua (5B).
- •Mrs. Eileen, (3-5 Paraeducator).
- •Damiana Bautista, grandmother of Adam Bautista (Pre K).
- Norma Gene Goulette, tutu of Po'okela(Pre K) and Kylie (1A) Morris.
- •Dante Villa, uncle of Sister Fidelia, SPC (Music and Religion Teacher).
- Trinity Rodrigues, granddaughter of Loretta Rodrigues. (Former SJPS Office Assistant).
- Rosalie Kempke, niece of Mrs. Garrod, (KB Teacher), and John and Katey Kemple, brother-in-law and sister.
- Kimberly Dagdag the sister of Nick (Art Teacher) and Rose Dagdag.

**Fasting from meat** on Fridays during Lent helps us "acquire a mastery over our instincts and freedom of heart." (CCC 2043). Fasting is meant to free us. It helps us feel our physical hunger, and in turn, our spiritual hunger for the infinite love found only in God.

Gather your community, your friends or your family for a simple, meatless meal, an opportunity to eat while living in solidarity with our brothers and sisters around the world. If you're hosting a community event, consider using this **simple supper outline** while preparing our Lenten recipes. And don't forget to print **placemats** for those who gather!

When you've cleaned your plate, remember to put the money you saved by not buying meat – an average of \$3 per person per meal – <u>into your CRS Rice Bowl</u> to feed our brothers and sisters in need around the world.