

Family Newsletter

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From the Principal

They say time flies, well this year is no exception. It's hard to believe we are in the final weeks of the 2008/2009 school year. Looking at the May calendar one will realize how busy we will be this month. However busy we may be, please remember, May is the month of Mary Our Mother. During May we honor our Mothers. We must also remember to honor Mary, our Mother in Heaven. We will be having a May crowning on Friday, May 1st at 10:00am.

Suggestions to honor Mary are:

Whenever you have room indoors or out, plant some of the flowers associated with Mary (roses, violets, or white lilies). In the midst of them, place a picture or statue of Our Lady and add decorative stones or seashells.

The Mary Shrine

To make a traditional Mary shrine, place a statue or picture of Mary on a table in a prominent place in your home. Cover the table with a pretty cloth and then decorate with flowers, either real or ones you make together.

May Crowning of Mary

Traditionally, May crowning is done on May 1st or the first Sunday in May. Start with a statue of Mary and make a crown out of construction paper or flowers. Invite friends for this special event and carry the crowned statue around the yard or neighborhood. During the crowning, sing the hymn, "O Mary We Crown Thee."

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

VIVA LAS VEGAS TRICKY TRAY

The Tricky Tray held at Notre Dame School was a huge success. Mrs. Laura DeGidio, our chairperson and her committee: Michael Birchwale, Lorraine Ciniello, Kim DeVoto, Serena Frola, Terry Gastelu, Jeanne Loukas, Maria Hroncich and Yvette Severino truly gave 300% in making this a worthwhile fundraiser. It truly was an amazing evening. Of course, our eighth graders did a magnificent job of serving and delivering gifts.

As they say in Vegas **"THANK YOU VERY MUCH!"**

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations! The following students were Student of the Month for April 2009

The category was: CITIZENSHIP

Grade 8 Roman Birchwale
Grade 7 Nathaniel Alegria
Grade 6 Yun Hee Lee
Grade 5 Vincenzo Guido

Grade 4 Nicholas Juliano Kindergarten Angelo Severino
Grade 3 Arthur Chi Pre-K4 Kohar Kalfayan
Grade 2 Jonathan Perez-Vento Pre-K3 Hagop Kalfayan
Grade 1 Nicholas Mollica

The category for May is: HONESTY

SPRING CONCERT

Our annual Spring Concert was held on Monday, April 27th at 7:00pm under the direction of Mr. Dennis DeSantis. Our PreK-3 to Grade 8 gave wonderful performances. Bravo! Bravo!

SCHOOL NEWS

TUITION

All tuition fees are due by May 20th. You must come to the school office to sign your contract and to review the information on your Smart Tuition Form.

Congratulations to Mrs. Loretta Petrino, the Sixth Grade Teacher, she was a recipient of a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Notre Dame will receive a free collection of 40 high quality reproductions of American Art.

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY

On May 6th, Notre Dame Interparochial School will host its National Junior Honor Society induction ceremony at St. Matthew's Church at 7:00pm. The following students will be inducted: Grade 6: Tulsu Bulsari, Ryan Campen, Paul Chiurazzi, Michael Juliano, Katrina Loukas, Emily Lugo, Matthew Quinn and Natalie Torres. Grade 8: Eunice Lee, Salvatore Bellomo and Patricia Das. Admission is by invitation only. Ms. Ann Marie Marano a former student of St. Michael's will be the guest speaker.

St. Michael's Church

The Church is in need of volunteers to help clean the church, perhaps every other week. If you are available please call St. Michael's rectory at 201-944-1061 and leave your name & phone number for Nancy Burns.

UNIFORM SHOES

Many students this year did not have uniform shoes. In order to eliminate this problem for the 2009/2010 school year uniform shoes will be on display during the month of May. Shoes can be purchased at Co-ed Uniform Co. in Elmwood Park. The approximate cost of shoes is \$43 to \$50.

CONCERT

Congratulations to the following students, they performed at the Future Musicians State Concert held at Brookdale Community College in Lincroft, New Jersey on Saturday, April 4th under the direction of Mrs. Alane Gruber the following students performed: Salvatore Bellomo, Roman Birchwale and Eunice Lee.

Math League Contest

On Tuesday, April 21st the Math League test was given to all 4th and 5th grade students. The 4th grade winner is Andrew Son and the 5th grade winner is Rodney Byun. Congratulations.

Friday, May 1
May Crowning 10:00am
Early Dismissal 12:15pm
Faculty Meeting

Tuesday, May 5
Cinco de Mayo
Band Concert at
St. Joseph's

Wednesday, May 6
National Junior Honor
Society Induction at
7:00pm

Sunday, May 10
Mother's Day

Tuesday, May 12
PreK3 to Grade 3 Trip to
Alice in Wonderland

Wednesday, May 13
Home School Assoc.
Meeting 7:00pm
Smartboard Showcase
6:00 - 7:00pm

Friday, May 15
School Play - Beauty
and The Beast 7:00pm

Saturday, May 16
School Play - Beauty
And The Beast 7:00pm

Sunday, May 17
School Play - Beauty
and The Beast 3:00pm

Tuesday, May 19
8th Grade Bake Sale

Thursday, May 21
Ascension Thursday
School Mass 10:00am
Early Dismissal 12:15
No Aftercare

Friday, May 22
No School
Memorial Day Weekend

Monday, May 25
Memorial Day
No School

Tuesday, May 26
Grade 8 - Religion Exam

Wednesday, May 27
Grade 8 - Math Exam

Thursday, May 28
Grade 8 - Social Studies
Exam

Friday, May 29
Grade 8 - Science Exam

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