



The Cardinal Flyer

JANUARY 13, 2009

VOLUME 11, NUMBER 15

BJ's Corner

Last Friday, Archbishop Sheehan celebrated mass with our St. Charles Community.

Our students demonstrated all the characteristics you would want to see. The Kinders sat for over two hours without any disruption, the students sang their hearts out, responded enthusiastically, yet with reverence, and were in awe as the Archbishop spoke. It was a wonderful experience for the students. Additionally, several guests attended and later shared insight into the sisterhood, brotherhood, and priesthood.

This Friday is parent/student/teacher conferences. Please be prompt, so that everyone can be seen.

Monday celebrates Martin Luther King Jr. and there isn't any school. Tuesday, January 20th, is the Presidential Inauguration.

Registration is on track. I encourage you to register as a number of grades are filling up, i.e, seventh, sixth and fourth. They are capped at 20 students per class.

Thank you for your continued support.
B.J.

Service Project

During the month of January, the fourth grade classes are collecting new and gently used books and stuffed animals for the benefit of the Title I Homeless Project. Please help them out. Thank you very much for your generosity.

Girl Scouts

The Girl Scout meetings are every Tuesday from 3:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. in the Science Lab.

Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

If you wish for your child to receive these sacraments this year, you must let the office or 2nd grade teachers know. In order to be allowed to receive the sacraments here at St. Charles, we **must** have the paperwork from your parish. The letters from the parishes are due by January 30, 2009. Our fax number here at school is 505-764-8842.

Important dates:

Monday, February 2, 2009 - Mandatory Parent Class for 1st Reconciliation

*Jan. 16th –
Parent/Teacher/Student/Teacher
Conferences
(Mandatory)*

*Jan. 19th – Martin
Luther King Jr. No
School*

and 1st Communion 6:30 pm in the Cafeteria.
Monday, March 2, 2009 – 1st Reconciliation Service at St. Charles Borromeo Church at 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 2, 2009 – First Holy Communion (More information to follow)

Registration

Registration for the school year 2009-10 will be held daily at the Finance Office beginning Wednesday, January 7, 2009 from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This year will again be an open registration, "First come, first serve," with classroom limits. Therefore I encourage you to reserve a spot starting January 7th and continuing until January 26th or until classes are filled, whichever comes first. All outstanding debt (through December 31st) must be paid before you register. **Please pick up packets at the Finance Office.**

Geography Bee

St. Charles students in grades 4-8, have been busy participating in class geography bees. After some very tough questions, the following students emerged as our winners. The school geography bee will be held **January 14th at 8:00 am** in the school cafeteria. The alternates will **not compete** in the School Bee **unless** for some reason the winner cannot participate in the bee.

4a Winner: Isabella Obermeier

4b Winner: Adrian Leon

5a Winner: Billy Torres

5b Winner: Libby Fidel

6a Winner: Anthony Donato

6b Winner: Franchesca Rodriguez

7a Winner: Megan Cadigan

7b Winner: Rayleen Ortiz

8a Winner: Matthew Willie

8b Winner: Joseph Saiz

4a Alternate: Adam Lopez.

4b Alternate: Andrew Ortiz

5a Alternate: Connor Munsey

5b Alternate: Andrew Savedra

6a Alternate: Dennis Pyle

6b Alternate: Nathaniel Townsend

7a Alternate: Sergio Herrera

7b Alternate: KateyInne Johnson

8a Alternate: Brittney Gulin

8b Alternate: Esai Gonzales

Help Please: If anyone knows how I can obtain sand cheaply, please call. Our sand disappears from the playground.

The Time is **NOW** to buy your Yearbook!!!

This year only happens once. Remember it forever. Together.

Your school's yearbook is a great way to remember and share your son or daughter's school experiences. The yearbooks are on sale now for \$35.00 until **January 29th**. Since our school is committed to going green, the yearbooks can only be purchased online. It is very easy, just go to www.jostensyearbooks.com and follow these steps:

Select- K-12

United States of America

New Mexico

Albuquerque

St. Charles
Borromeo Catholic
School

1801 Hazeldine SE

505-243-5788

Fax: 505-764-8842

www.stcharlesabq.org

Scroll through the list on the right and select [Saint Charles Borromeo School](#) and then hit [continue](#).
Next you will click [purchase yearbook](#) unless you want one of the special packages listed then click the box for that package and then click purchase yearbook.
At this point you have the option to personalize your yearbook. You may add 1 line of personalization for \$7 or two lines for \$9. Icons can be added for an additional \$5 each. You may skip this option and go to [continue](#).
Next you will have the option to add any additional items for your yearbook. Under the category, [Yearbook Accessories](#) you can purchase a protective cover for your yearbook, autograph pages or an insert like World Beat which chronicles the year's history making events.
You may choose this option or skip it, either way when you are finished go to the upper right hand of the page and click [checkout](#).
Now you will see your shopping cart, you can [secure checkout](#) and start the process to pay for your book. If you have more than one child to buy a yearbook for, click [continue shopping](#). If you choose to continue shopping, click **2009 yearbook** and repeat the steps from before.
If you want to personalize your book and add your name and icons on the cover, autograph pages, book covers and other extras online **you must order by January 24th**.

Buy your yearbook now at jostensyearbooks.com



Entertainment Books

- Do you still need an Albuquerque/Santa Fe *Entertainment 2009* book?
- Would you like to purchase an *Entertainment* book from [another](#) city to use on a trip or send it as a gift to a friend or relative across the country?

Then go to www.entertainment.com/support

Just enter our school's account number **201324**. Click "continue" to start shopping. Even though our fundraiser is over St. Charles Borromeo School will continue to earn profits from your purchases of the local Albuquerque/Santa Fe book or any of the other city editions.

From the pastor's perspective:

Happy New Year! Happy Ordinary Time! Just yesterday, we changed our church calendar from the Christmas Season, ending with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and now have entered the season called "Ordinary Time." It is no ordinary time! We hear a continuous reading from the Bible in this season, both on Sundays and in the weekday readings for Mass. And during this month of January, we especially remember several things: National Migration Awareness Week, National Vocation Awareness, Week for Christian Unity, Martin Luther King Day, the Inauguration, a day for penance for violations to the dignity of the human person (January 22), Catholic Schools Week, and the Lunar New Year (January 26). It's a busy month and a good time for us to reflect on so much!

We also start preparing for February and the fabulous events that will transpire then. This year, on Monday, February 2, it is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. You may recall that this is a special day in the church's life – the day we bless the candles that we will use for the coming year. We invite you to send your family's candles to school that day with your students – we will have a special

blessing at 9 a.m. This day recalls the day when Christ, the light of the world, was presented in the temple. Since Christ is the light that never fades, we acknowledge this feast with a special tribute and blessing. (It is also the first Monday of the month, do not forget to have your children wear green!)

I am proud of how our students, staff and faculty celebrated our Vocation Day last Friday. We had a wonderful event with Archbishop Sheehan. The archbishop was quite impressed by our students, their participation in the Mass, their insightful questions, their politeness, their spirit and much more. Seeing our school through the visiting clergy and religious, especially the archbishop, reminds me how wonderful our school is and how we can take for granted the beauty of our children. They are God's precious gifts to us!

Last week I also found out where I will be ministering next when I move from Saint Charles on June 17. It is hard to move and think about leaving Saint Charles; however, the only thing that makes it helpful is that I will be serving as the eighth pastor of Saint Paschal Baylon Church, Highland Heights, Ohio (a suburb of Cleveland). This is the parish of my youth, where I went to school and graduated (there are 550 students in this school) and still my parent's parish (there are 2,800 families). I was ordained in this church and parish in 1992. It will be a homecoming; but I will leave a big part of my heart here with all you. Thank you for your continued prayers in the transition and for your constant love, care and support!

In Christ our Eucharist,



Reverend John Thomas Lane, SSS
18th Pastor

Youth Group Mass Now @ 11 Sunday

The St. Charles Youth Group will be joining with the parishioners at the 11 o'clock Mass on Sunday. This is our new Youth Mass and would like to invite all youth in middle school or high school to join us as well. Lunch and Faith Formation will be provided immediately after Mass in the new Youth Center (formerly known as the Parish Center – the building with the orange door), not only to nourish your body but also your soul. If you have any questions, please contact Patricia Garcia-Zerrate at 505-463-6170.

Other parish news

Prayer in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament: Since Georgia and Vicenta lead us with the new prayer schedule, it's been wonderful to see so many new faces and returning faces to this special ministry, "The Community at Prayer." I invite you, if you were away during sign-up Sunday in November, to join in this special ministry of the church. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is a special prayer time where we deepen our friendship with the Lord. During this prayer time, we remember how Christ so loved us to give his life, his body for us. Our friendship with God is the friendship on which all our other relationships depend. Enter into this special communion and prayer. Also, join us during the official prayer times of our parish, 8 a.m. 4:15 p.m. or 5 p.m. Let us know if there is a specific time that you would like to come to the Shrine Chapel and pray for 15, 30 or 60 minutes with the Lord.

CHURCH CLEANERS ARE NEEDED: Each non-holiday Monday, volunteers clean the church at 7:30 a.m. Cleaners are needed to join in the work. We also need helpers on Tuesdays of holiday weeks and Friday morning, preparing for the weekend Masses.

Our Calendar

- **MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY:** Monday, January 19: Holiday MASS AT 12:10 P.M. and continues at 12:10 p.m. until February 2. There will be no M, W or F 7 a.m. from January 19 – February 1 to assist the visiting priests.

- **LITURGY COMMISSION:** Monday, January 19, 7 p.m., Committee Room
- **INAUGURATION DAY:** Tuesday, January 20. Please join those who pray each day at either 8 a.m., 4:15 p.m. or 5 p.m. for our new president and legislators.
- **DAY OF PENANCE:** Thursday, January 22. Join in this special day of fasting, prayer and penance for the sins against human life, remember that as Catholics we are pro-life – from womb to tomb; wanting respect for all life from natural conception to natural death.
- **ACA KICK OFF:** January 24/25 – Hear about the needs in the archdiocese for 2009 and help our parish, truly be a stewardship parish with every parishioner pledging something for the archdiocese. We must have each parish family pledge – to support our church, the church of New Mexico. **(A MINIMUM of \$10 is requested, or one meal for the work of the archdiocese.)** We all enjoy the services from the archdiocese; thanks for helping this vital work continue.
- **TET (LUNAR NEW YEAR):** January 24 weekend celebration. Celebrate with our Vietnamese Community the previous year and the hopes of the new year.
- **BLESS CANDLES:** The tradition continues! Monday, February 2, 7 a.m. or 9 a.m. (with the school students). Participate in the annual blessing of candles as we commemorate the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple. Bring all your candles that you will use in your home for the coming year.
- **MATURE MEMBERS MINISTRY:** Tuesday, February 3, 12:30 p.m. Mahady Meeting Room: A planning meeting for the coming year. Also, enjoy some social time together!
- **EUCCHARISTIC ASSOCIATES:** All are welcome – come for one, or for all of these special times/or events, ***First Thursday (the day of the Eucharist), February 5:***
 - 4:15 p.m. Rosary (shrine chapel)
 - 5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer (shrine chapel)
 - 5:30 p.m. Novena with Saint Peter Julian Eymard (shrine chapel)
 - 6:00 p.m. Potluck dinner (Mahady Meeting Room, bring a dish to share for 10)
 - 6:30 p.m. Eucharist Talk (after or during supper in the MMR depending on the topic)

February TOPIC: Issues and Theology of the GIRM (*General Instruction on the Roman Missal*) – how the rubrics of the Mass give us our theology about the Eucharist)
- **VOCATION COMMITTEE:** Renewed, revised, replenished! ***Thursday, February 19, 6:30 p.m.*** See Fr. Lane ahead of time as we prepare for the future – filled with hope!
- **BURNING OF PALMS/MARDI GRAS PRAYER & DESSERT NIGHT:** Save your palms and bring them to the annual burning, ***Tuesday, February 24, 7 p.m.*** in the Committee Room and on Borromeo Plaza.

Catholics On Call: Direction for Your Life

What do you really want to do with your life? Who do you want to be in your life? How does God speak to you about your life?

These are not easy questions. Catholics On Call gives 18-30 year-olds the time and resources to reflect on God's call in their lives. We reach out to people like you— young adult men and women—who may be considering the possibility of a life of service in the Church as a lay minister, religious sister or brother, or priest.

Two conferences for young adults will be held in 2009 — June 4-7 (extended weekend program) and August 3-7 (week long program) — in Chicago at Catholic Theological Union. Participants will hear expert presenters and theologians speak on discernment and meet others who are also considering a life of service. Applications for the free

conferences are now being accepted. Learn more and check us out at www.catholicsoncall.org or see our campus contact: Taylor Kingston or Father Lane, SSS. Watch the new video!

Other Reminders:

HAVE SAINT CHARLES STATUE VISIT YOUR HOME: During our 75th anniversary year, have our two-foot statue of Saint Charles (a replica of the one being built for outside) to visit your home for a week. We are asking parishioners to sign-up and have Saint Charles visit your home for a week. You would bring the statue back for Sunday Eucharist so that the next family would take the statue. During the week the statue is in your home, we request that you say the 75th anniversary prayer each night, as a family, either at dinnertime or at bedtime. We also request that you pray a rosary together and other special prayers, fasting and care, to offer for the success of our 75th anniversary year. Let us learn, celebrate and grow in love with our patron saint!

TO QUALIFY FOR SCHOOL SUBSIDY SUPPORT: Please remember, to qualify as an active member of Saint Charles, you must be registered and support the parish with a minimum, tax-deductible donation of \$500 in the fiscal calendar year, ending December 31, 2008. Tuition or payment of subsidies to a school is not tax-deductible.