



The Cardinal Flyer

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BJ's Corner

As the Inaugural Address concluded, and "God Bless America" began, our students joined in with the singing. Everyone was glued to the event as history continues.

Conferences went very well last week as we aim toward our last trimester. Thank you everyone.

St. Charles will celebrate Catholic Schools Week from January 26th -30th. Please join us at 9:00am mass on the 28th.

Have a great week. Gooo Cardinals!!!!
B.J.

Jump Rope for Heart

We are well underway in raising money for the American Heart Association. Last week the students raised \$1388 from donations and buying hearts on the wall of honor. Second grader, Montana Sandoval raised \$75 in three days. She was our Heart Ambassador for the week. 4B raised a total of \$156.88 in three days. Good Job to all the Cardinals who raised money last week. We only have \$3612 dollars left to raise to meet our goal. Please give your child ideas on how to raise money for this important cause. We only have this week left. During lunch on January 22, students can purchase a heart of honor for 25 cents. Send them with your loose change. All proceeds go to the Heart Association. Thanks for your help!

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.**

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

January 26 – last day for pledges to the Heart Association

January 28 – Mass @9:00a.m.

February 13 – Early Dismissal

February 16 – No School – President's Day

Do Good; Seek Peace (*Ps. 34:14*).

In the Sermon on the Mount, Christ gave us the beautiful beatitude about peace and peacemakers. Think of when the sermon was first taught. Do you see a peaceful afternoon in early April? The sky is softening toward dusk, with not even a breeze. White, wispy clouds stand almost motionless in the blue sky. Below, on the coast of the Sea of Galilee, soft waves lap against moored fishing boats. Eager listeners sit on the grass or stand amidst the rocks and early spring flowers. All are hushed and thoughtful, and every face is lifted toward the Lord as He tells them what they need to do in order to have peace in their lives. Tenderly Christ speaks: "Blessed are the peacemakers" ([Matt. 5:9](#)).

To follow Christ and bring forth the blessings of heaven, we must actively make peace in the world, in our neighborhood, and, above all, in our homes.

The following prayer by St. Francis of Assisi suggests that we can be instruments in the hands of the Savior for bringing personal peace to others. To be a peacemaker, it helps to understand what brings peace.

*Lord, make me an instrument of your peace,
Where there is hatred let me sow love,
Where there is injury, pardon.
Where there is doubt, faith.
Where there is despair, hope.
Where there is darkness, light.
And where there is sadness, joy.*

No matter what the reason for the lack of peace—sin, not living God's commandments, selfishness, pride, lack of love, even just being an innocent victim—the way to achieve peace is always the same: Turn to Christ; follow His example; repent of all wrongdoings; study and think about Jesus Christ every day; love Him and thank Him for His teachings and His example and His sacrifice for us.

May peace be with you—this day and always—

The Time is **Running Out** 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:

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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](http://jostensyearbooks.com)



NJHS NEWS

The following students were "tapped" (officially invited to become members of St. Charles Borromeo School's National Junior Honor Society) on Thursday, January 15, 2009. They will be officially inducted on January 28th at 8:00 in the school cafeteria. Congratulations to the following:

Tatiana Pliel-Pino
Samantha Cunico
Katrina Llamas
Kaitlyn Archibeque
Micayla Kavanaugh
Maegan Martinez
Katelynn Johnson
Jasara Benedict
Arial DeHerrera

Geography Bee

Congratulations to Megan Cadigan, the School Champion of the St. Charles' Geography Bee for 2009!

She won the Bee by knowing the answer to "The Yamane are a people indigenous to Tierra del Fuego an island at the southernmost point in south America that is divided between Argentina and what country to the west?" And the correct answer is.... Chile.

Megan has taken a qualifying test to compete in the New Mexico State Geography Bee to be held on April 3, 2009 at UNM.

Good luck and congratulations Megan!!

Congratulations to all our participants and special congratulations to Matthew Willie, the school's runner up!

Kudos to our Cardinals!!

Good Morning BJ: I just wanted to take a moment to let you know how proud I was this weekend to be a Cardinal parent! We attended the Albuquerque Optimist International Oratorical Contest. Two of our students, Kevin Benavidez and Conner Munsey participated and represented St Charles. Not only did they do extremely well in the competition - Connor won 1st place and Kevin won 2nd place, their conduct and appearance was so much better than the other students from other schools - Connor and Kevin were the only ones to show in up a shirt and tie! They presented themselves extremely well. Poise and appearance were part of the judging criteria and I'm sure they both got full points in that area. They did St Charles proud!!!!

Kathleen Benavidez, CPCU

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 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)

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.

Some Reminders from Father Lane

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.

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 Parish Calendar

- **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!