



St. Aloysius School is a family of God
where we can grow in Catholic Faith, Character and Knowledge
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January 9, 2018

NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY, JANUARY 15th. WE WILL BE OBSERVING MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY.

PROGRESS REPORTS- Progress reports for grades 3rd -8th will be sent home next Wednesday, January 17th.

PARENTS' CLUB MEETING – There will be a Parents' Club Meeting tomorrow, January 10th @ 6:30 p.m. in the Library. Attached are minutes from the December meeting.

VISION & HEARING SCREENING – We will be screening grades TK, K, 2, 5, and 8 for Vision on January 16th from 9:30- 11:30 and Hearing on January 18th 9:30- 11:30. If you returned the health screen letter at the beginning of the school year to please excluded your child from any screenings, your child will not be screened.

TUTORING AVAILABLE- Mr. Nunes will be available after school Monday, Tuesday and Thursday until 4 p.m. to help with Math.

ST. ALOYSIUS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT- Tournament will take place at Tulare Western gyms this weekend, January 13th and 14th. Parent volunteers are needed to collect entrance fees at the doors. This is an easy way to earn your volunteer hours. You can work all day or a few hours. Please contact Alicia Ledezma at 802-6170 if you are interested.

- **JV team members are to bring donuts Saturday for snack bar and Varsity are to bring them on Sunday. Please see attached flyer regarding someone to shadow and take over the concessions. Thank you.**

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT CONCESSION STAND/DONATIONS- A monetary donation of \$60 or more is being accepted to help purchase items needed for concession stand and for lunch for the players. This is a good way to fulfill your auction item donation. During this event we will need volunteers to help both days. Please call or text Rick Garcia at 936-0390 or Julie Pimentel at 331- 4235 with any questions. Please turn in your donation to the office by Friday, January 12th. Thank you!

KINDERGARTEN APPLICATION FOR 2018-19- We are currently accepting kindergarten applications in the school office. Attached to today's note is the application for families already enrolled at St. Aloysius School.

ENCHILADA CASSEROLE - St. Aloysius is selling their beef enchilada casseroles. We will presale 1,300 pans, so be sure to get your orders in before Friday, January 26th. As always this fundraiser needs a lot of volunteer help, please see sign-up sheets in the school office. Attached is an enchilada order form.

LOGO UNIFORMS – The deadline for January orders is Wednesday, January 31st. Forms are in the office or call or text Jessica Saltzman 631-6147 with any questions.

(See Reverse Side)

FOODS CO REWARDS REBATE - If you have a Community Rewards card from Foods Co you will need to get the amount of your rebate. You may do this by signing in to your individual online account at www.foodsco.net then scroll to the Community Rewards section on your account page. Once you get your rebate amount, print out the screen and send it into the office. Please make sure your name is on the paper. You need to have your rebate amount turned in by **January 11th**.

STUDENT COUNCIL DANCE— The dance will be on Thursday, January 24th at 7:00 p.m. Dances are for students in grades 6 through 8 only. We require a minimum of 6 chaperones in order to hold the dance. Chaperones do **NOT** have to have a student in those grades. Please contact Mrs. Machado if you'd like to earn hours chaperoning the dance. Thank you

VOLUNTEER HOURS- 50 volunteer hours must be completed by each family in grades K-8 before the school year is over. TK families must have 25 hours completed. There are still several ways to earn your hours: Enchilada Fundraiser, Basketball Tournament, Golf Tournament, School Picnic, Kindergarten Yard Duty and Upper Grade Yard Duty. One auction item/sponsorship is required per year per family as well. Please be sure to record your hours and auction item in the school office.

Tdap BOOSTER IMMUNIZATION (2018- 19) - If your child is going into the 7th grade next school year he/she will need to show proof of having a Tdap booster. If you have not already done so please bring in a copy of your child's immunization card so that we may update our records. Thank you for your cooperation.

YEARBOOK PHOTOS- Parents, I need your help! Specifically, I need your photos. The St. Aloysius yearbook would not be as great as it is without all the pictures. If you have any pictures you've taken of events and happenings around school, please send them to jmachado@sastulare.com. I'm looking for photos of sporting events, field trips, classroom activities, etc... I appreciate the help I get with this more than I can express.

TRI M- is making blessing bags for the homeless. We are looking for new socks, granola bars, trail mix, energy bars, travel toothpaste and toothbrush, chapstick, gloves, and instant coffee, tea, or hot cocoa packets. Please bring to the band room or leave in the office. We will be making the bags and delivering to the Lighthouse Rescue Mission before the Christmas Break. Thank you and God Bless You.

LUNCH ACCOUNT- We encourage **ALL** parents to please go online and create an account to follow your child's activity and amount in their lunch account. We ask that you **ALWAYS** pay in advance to avoid having charges. Below are the steps to step up an account.

1. Login to ezschoolapps.com
2. Click on the "about us" in the right hand corner
3. Click on "EZ Parent Center"
4. Click on "sign-up"
5. Follow the directions to complete the sign up process

*Please note at this time you cannot pay online.

GAME- Basketball games will be played this Friday, January 12th at St. Aloysius against Sunnyside at 1:00pm.



KINDERGARTEN APPLICATION
(Currently enrolled families)

Kindergarten applications are now being accepted for the 2018-19 school year. All that is necessary at this time is to send the application to the school office. More information on the testing dates will be sent home at a later date. Children must be 5 years old by **September 1, 2018** to be eligible for Kindergarten.

For more information, or questions, please contact the school office at 686-6250.

ST. ALOYISUS SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN APPLICATION

Child's Name

Birth Date

Parent's Name

Address

Phone Number

(This form is for currently enrolled families **only**. Families who do not have children currently enrolled should call the school office @ 686-6250.)

ST. ALOYSIUS COUGAR CLASSIC BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

My husband, Jon and I have been running the concession stand at the Cougar Classic for many years. Our youngest is graduating from St. Als after this year, and so someone else will need to step up and take over. We are in need of someone to shadow us this year so as to learn the ropes and to be able to run it on their own next year and hopefully for at least a few years following.

The tournament is an all day Saturday and Sunday event in January. The person in charge will need to stock the concession stand and to have at least three people to man it Saturday (usually about 7am-5pm) and Sunday (9am-end of championship games 6pm or so)

Previously we have, along with a donation from Lucio Hay Company, purchased all of the items for the stand. Next year, there will be a list of items needed in the office for parents to donate for volunteer hours.

This is a great way to earn volunteer hours for the year and it is really fun to interact with the players, coaches, and their families.

If you are interested, please contact Julie Pimentel @ 331-4235

St. Aloysius Parent's Club Meeting Minutes
December 6, 2017

President Kortnee Faria called the meeting to order at 9:12am.

Kortnee asked if any changes needed to be made to the minutes from the November meeting. Luan Sozinho stated that the minutes needed to be changed to reflect multiple donors for the new doors, not just one donor. There was a motion made by Jaymie Nunes to approve the minutes with the correction in regards to the new doors, with a second by Jolene Van Dyk. Laure Santos, filling in for Eileen Miller, read a thank you note from Luan Sozinho for the arrangement we sent her for Principal appreciation day.

Julie Starr gave the Treasurer's report. There is \$50,858 in the checking and approximately \$25,000 in the savings. April Beck made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, with a second by Karen Tristao.

Parent's Club Fundraiser Chair Reports

Fashion Show – Tania Ribeiro reported that everything went well and she thanked everyone for their help.

Holiday Craft Fair – Marianna Gentert reported that the craft fair made \$1,790. She reported the vendors were all happy with the turnout and will gladly come back next year. They would also like for us to host a craft fair in the spring.

Holiday Extravaganza – Jolene Van Dyk gave thanks to everyone for helping. She reported there was a lot more help this year. Attendance was down 50 people this year. The food was amazing and there was plenty thanks to Lori Cardoza. The bar was great and everyone seemed to enjoy the signature drink. The Silent and Live Auctions were down by \$6,755. Some people couldn't hear, but they tested the sound beforehand and it was good. There was some confusion on when the live auction items were going. It was suggested to put approximate times on the list of auction items. Lori suggested moving the class baskets to the middle of the seating tables, so everyone sees them better and you don't have to walk up to the front. Everyone did like the baskets in order from TK – 8th grade better than mixing them up. We will definitely need more spotters to help with the bidders. Laura Alafa will take over the event next year.

Enchilada Casseroles – Lara O'Neill and Jaymie passed around signup sheets for the people who were present. Alvin Mendonca will take over the meat preparation Thursday night. Friday we will need a lot of help putting the casseroles together, we will need men for the heavy lifting. They also announced that Cornell Kasbergen donated \$2,000 towards the event and Land O'Lakes matched the donation.

New Business

8th Grade Breakfast – 8th grade had a very successful breakfast. They made all the money they will need for the year. Thank you to all who donated to the bake sale.

Cool Hand Luke's – Lori Cardoza announced that Cool Hand Luke's has a great fundraiser opportunity if any class is interested. We would sell tickets \$20 tickets for dinner at the restaurant. They would keep \$10 and we would keep \$10.

Principal's Report

- The Superintendent's visit went well. She visited classes and stayed for lunch. The Diocese office manager also came, she met with Brandie and Lani Kay and then the staff after school
- 11/15/17 – a handful of teachers attended the Step Up to Writing training given by the Tulare City School District.
- 11/16/17 – We had the spelling bee for grades 6-8 and for the first time grades 3-5 also participated. Only the winners from the 6-8 grades will participate in the county.
- 11/17/17 – We had an honor roll assembly. We will now do it every trimester.
- The Christmas Program will be Tuesday, December 19th at 6 pm.
- December 20th is the last day of school before Christmas break. There will be mass at 9:15 prepared by the faculty
- We will be selling the World's Finest Chocolate this year. There will be an assembly to kick it off on January 25, 2018.
- Tulare Joint Union High School District applications for intradistrict transfers are being accepted until December 21st. No late applications will be accepted.
- The new doors for grades 1 – 8 will be installed over Christmas break.
- Star testing results went home, overall everyone has improved.
- The school yard's gopher problem will be taken care of over Christmas break.

Lindsey Brasil talked about getting together to clean and organize the Parents' Club storage room. We need to fix the doors and get out the desks and other school items that are being stored inside. Karen Tristao made a motion to look into new fiberglass doors for the storage room and to approve a budget of \$2,000 for the doors and the installation. There was a motion made by Katie Rocha to approve the new doors, with a second made by Julie Starr. Lindsey Brasil will talk to Christina Pickett about the doors.

Lori Cardoza won the attendance drawing.

Jaymie Nunes made a motion to adjourn the meeting, with a second made by Jolene Van Dyk. The meeting was adjourned at 10:14.

Laure Santos

2018 St. Aloysius School Enchilada Casserole Sale

Place your orders today...
Perfect for Super Bowl Sunday!!

WHAT'S FOR SALE: Beef Enchilada Casseroles

ORDER DEADLINE: Friday, January 26th!!

We will presale 1,300 pans, so be sure to get your orders in ahead of time!

PRICE: \$15 per pan

WHEN TO PICK UP: Orders must be picked up at the school cafeteria on either:

Friday, February 2nd from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

OR

Saturday, February 3rd from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

***Any orders not paid for in advance will be sold if they are not picked up by Saturday the 3rd by 12 p.m.**

HOW TO ORDER: 2 ways to order!!

1. Place your order by sending in the form on the bottom of this flyer to the St. Aloysius School Office.
2. Order your pans of enchilada casseroles by phone (331-4989).

QUESTIONS: Please call Lara O'Neal at 331-4989 (Home phone, not a cell)

Thank you for supporting our school!!

St. Aloysius Enchilada Casserole Sale

Order for: _____ **Phone:** _____

_____ **Pan(s) of Beef Enchilada Casserole(s) for my freezer**

\$ _____ **Total enclosed at \$15.00 per pan**

**Please enclose payment with order:
make check payable to St. Aloysius Parents Club
and mail or drop off to
627 N. Beatrice Drive, Tulare CA 93274**

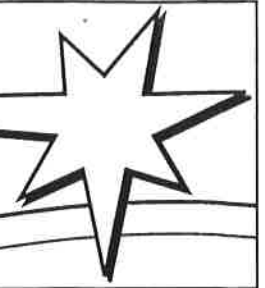
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Thoughtful Moments

St. Angela Merici

Born in Italy, St. Angela and her sister were raised by an uncle after the death of their parents. When her sister died without the Sacraments, Angela became a Third Order Franciscan to pray for her. She was inspired by a vision to found a teaching order. Initially, she was met with opposition; the pope wanted her to remain in Rome with a nursing order, but she refused and went on to found the Ursulines in Brescia.



Mary points to her Son

Contrary to its title, the Hail Mary is actually a Scriptural prayer to God about Jesus. In it, we profess our firm belief that God became man and was born of Mary: "Blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus." As a family, pray a Hail Mary and ask for the grace to know Jesus better.

"Hear, my son, your father's instruction, and reject not your mother's teaching;" (Proverbs 1:8).



Parent like the Holy Family

The Bible doesn't tell us much about the parenting styles of Mary and Joseph, but we can guess by what we know of the adult Jesus. Learn from the Holy Family how to raise one, too.

Nurture virtue. While interacting with people during his public ministry, Jesus demonstrated the virtues of patience, persistence, hard work, self control, and compassion. Encouraging these virtues in children will help prepare them for their own unique vocations.

Nudge when necessary. At the wedding feast in Cana, Jesus was reluctant to perform his first public miracle, but his mother knew that he was ready and capable. After a gentle push from her,

he created something amazing.

Sometimes children need a nudge to demonstrate their God-given talents.

Trust God's plan. When the angel revealed the plan God had for her life, Mary gave God her whole self to his purposes. Following her example, Jesus did the same. Teach children, through modelling, prayer and sacrifice, to let God control the direction of their lives.

Tend to your own faith.

When Jesus was young, how his parents lived, how they practiced their faith, and how they answered his questions helped to form Jesus' early understanding of God. Be sure your own

knowledge and practice of your faith is strong so you can properly influence that of your children.

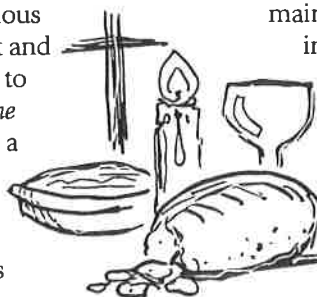


Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics celebrate Sacraments?

Sacraments are "efficacious signs, instituted by Christ and entrusted to the Church" to give grace (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*). Grace is a share in God's divine life.

As food, rest, and medicine maintain our bodies, so the Sacraments



maintain our souls. Our life of grace in Baptism is deepened by Confirmation. The Eucharist nourishes us and Confession heals us. Holy Orders and Matrimony sustain the Church. Finally, our souls are prepared for eternity by the Anointing of the Sick.