

# St. Didacus Parish School Newsletter



March 2, 2010

Parent Newsletter

The Fruit of the Spirit is LOVE, JOY, PEACE, PATIENCE, KINDNESS, GRATITUDE, FAITHFULNESS, GENTLENESS and SELF-CONTROL. Galatians 5:22

## Principal's Remarks

Join us for Stations of the Cross next Friday (March 12th) in the school auditorium. 7th and 8th grade will lead the Stations.

Open House tomorrow night from 7 to 8 pm. Please send a friend!!

We remind parents once again to be sure there are parental controls on Internet at home if students use the Internet unsupervised. Also, parents need to be aware that many student cell phones have Internet access. We continue to have issues at school with students view inappropriate material outside of school time and sharing information at school. We assume this is without parent knowledge or consent.

Mrs. La Costa

## Important Dates:

- \* Advisory Board tonight 6:30 in library; 6 Mass at the Parish for Lent
- \* OPEN HOUSE Weds. March 3rd 7 to 8
- \* MINIMUM DAY Friday, March 4 No hot lunch. Day-care til 6. Soup and Stations at 6 at the Church. All are invited!
- \* DECATHLON Sat. March 5th
- \* Tuesday, March 9 AUCTION PREVIEW NIGHT

## IMPORTANT!!

This year's auction offers a chance to win a year of FREE TUITION at St. Didacus School! For \$70, you can buy a chance to win a drawing at the Auction (you don't need to be present to win). The grand prize is a \$4000 credit toward next year's tuition. If your last child is in 8th grade, you get a refund for this year! Fill out the form in this week's parent envelope!!

## MINIMUM DAY ON FRIDAY

Auction Preview of class art next Tuesday evening! Stop by and see the beautiful student art to be auctioned off!!



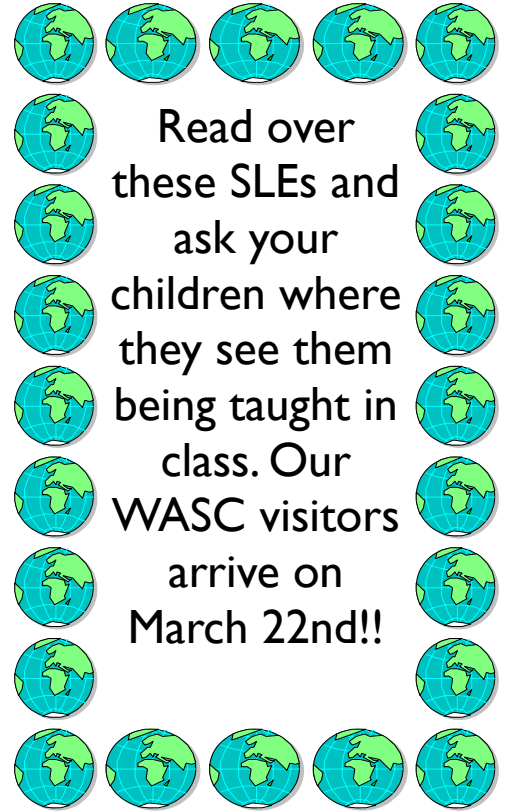
**Mission Statement:**

St. Didacus Parish School is a Catholic elementary school that engages with parents, community, and child in the ongoing educational development of the student. We empower the student to be spiritually, academically, and socially prepared to live today and tomorrow both morally and effectively.

**Schoolwide Learning Expectations (SLEs)**

A St. Didacus graduate will be:

- 1) *A Christ-centered person who:*
  - a. knows, respects, and values Catholic beliefs
  - b. respects and appreciates God's gifts
  - c. understands that moral choices have consequences
  - d. answers the Gospel's call to serve others
- 2) *A life-long learner who:*
  - a. uses information, technology, and media responsibly
  - b. learns independently and cooperatively
  - c. practices critical thinking, problem-solving, and computational skills
  - d. Applies organizational skills to achieve short and long term goals
  - e. knows the importance of physical well-being
- 3) *An effective communicator who:*
  - a. reads for understanding
  - b. writes and articulates ideas correctly
  - c. actively listens
  - d. has experienced a wide range of activities in the fine arts
- 4) *A responsible citizen who:*
  - a. is reliable, trustworthy, and courteous
  - b. demonstrates an awareness of cultural diversity
  - c. learns and practices civic responsibility, both locally and globally .



Read over these SLEs and ask your children where they see them being taught in class. Our WASC visitors arrive on March 22nd!!

BoxTops

**Our website is:  
stdidacusparishschool.org**

Our Decathlon Team is working hard to prepare for the competition this Saturday, March 6th with the other schools in the San Diego Diocese. This year's team: Ana Herrera (Religion), Sam Rieta (Science), Tim Shen (English), Julia Zarella (Music), Natalie Nemeth (Art), Christian Franco (Math), Jamie Steckbeck (Current Events), Thalia Badger (Literature). Evan Nichols (Social Studies), Paul Doan.

Alternates: Carolyn Lopez, Madeleine Robertson, Andrew Stoddard



*Our ink cartridge recycling place is no longer an option for us so we will no longer be recycling cartridges. Thank you to those who have been participating! You made a difference!!*

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*Soup and Stations Friday night at the Parish!  
6pm Soup; 7 pm Stations of the Cross.*

**Help needed:**

**We are looking for a volunteer who can install a drip irrigation system in some planters near the Kindergarten building so they can grow some vegetables! If you want to help, please contact Mrs. Filippone, our Kinder teacher!!**

**See's Easter Candy!!!**

Orders are due on MARCH 11th. Candy will be available for pick-up on March 29th in time for Easter!!! Thank you to all who supported our 8th grade legacy gift and to the parents who organized the fundraiser.