

St. Didacus Parish School Newsletter



May 11, 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

May is a month of special devotion to the Blessed Mother. Modern devotions to Mary in May, including May Crowning ceremonies, date back to the sixteenth century. Our May Crowning will be held at St. Didacus Church this year at 9:30 am on Friday, May 28th. All are invited!

Enclosed is a flyer for a 2-part workshop offered on May 12 and May 25th at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall free of charge

to our parents. The focus of the workshop is helping your child with study skills. Please see the flyer for detailed information.

A special thanks to Mrs. Deborah Nemeth and Mrs. Leslie Sennett who have served on our Advisory Board and will now "graduate"! I have much appreciated their generous leadership and service to the school community.

Mrs. La Costa

IMPORTANT!!

Thanks to all the rain, we have some weeds on campus that need trimming and cutting. If this is something you can come by and do on a Saturday, please talk to Mrs. La Costa. This would be a good start on those service hours for next year!

Important Dates:

- * Tonight: PTG Board meeting at 6:30.
- * Thurs. May 13th Honor Society ceremony for 7th and 8th grade at 6:30.
- * MAY 18-Tues. Talent Show and Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30
- * Weds. May 19th All School Mass at 8:30 am.

Final BoxTop collection will be May 28th. Turn them in and please keep saving over the summer! Mrs. Kuc says "THANKS!" to all who participated this year!



Special thanks to...



- * **Father Mike, who showed our 8th graders the movie “Praying With Lior” as part of religion class and served popcorn and juice.**
- * **All our St. Didacus parents who faithfully teach Religious Education on Wednesday afternoons at the school for the public school children of our parish.**
- * **Mrs. Sutton, the 4th graders and their parents who held a week-long bake sale to raise money for homeless moms.**

Please keep in your prayers...



- * Paul Ammons as he recuperates from appendicitis.
- * All Mothers everywhere, that God will strengthen them in their loving support of their children and families.
- * All who are ill in our school and parish community.

Uniform adjustment for next year— following OLP’s uniform skirt length requirement and wording from their handbook, we will be requiring: “The hem of the skirt must fall at the top of the knee or below.” St. Didacus will make this change for next year. Please have skirts hemmed accordingly.

Bookfair!!

Miss Dueber would like to announce that Bookfair this year is May 17th, 18th , 19th in the school library.

Stock up on some fun reading for summer, birthday gifts, etc. The book-fair will be open the night of the Talent Show so that might be a good time for adults to visit.

Miss Anzalone, our computer teacher, will be offering some summer classes this year! Please refer to her schedule at the website below if you are interested in some options this summer.

sdcomputerlab.weebly.com/summer-camps.html

We will continue to put summer camp/enrichment options that we are aware of on the table in the front hall of the school.

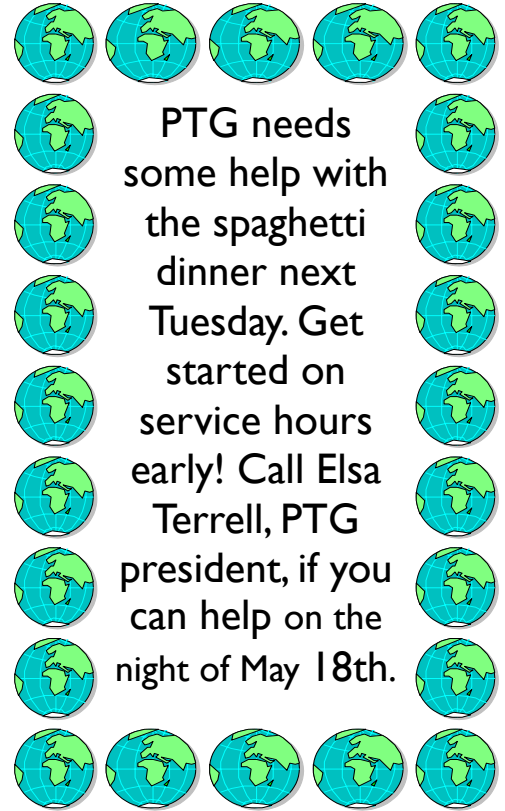
Mission Statement:

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.



PTG needs some help with the spaghetti dinner next Tuesday. Get started on service hours early! Call Elsa Terrell, PTG president, if you can help on the night of May 18th.

Use Goodsearch.com instead of Google or Yahoo when you search the Internet to help the school!!

Our website is:
stdidacusparishschool.org

Calling All Cooks!

The parish is putting together a St. Didacus Community Cookbook! The school has been invited to contribute recipes. More info to follow, but you can start thinking about what favorite family recipes you'd like to share!