



St. Didacus Parish School
4630 34th Street, San Diego, CA 92116
Working Hard, Serving Others, Sharing God's Love
Mrs. Dean's Weekly Newsletter
April 16, 2019

May our Lord keep His loving hands upon us so that we may learn and grow.

Holy Week: Holy week is one of the most important weeks of the year for us as Catholics. This past Sunday we celebrated Palm Sunday, and we listened to the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Thursday is known as Holy Thursday, when we celebrate the Last Supper. We will be having the Live Stations of the Cross at 10:45am at the church. We hope you can join us. It will be led by the 8th graders. We do not have school on Friday, which is Good Friday, the day Jesus died on the cross. We have this day off with the hope that you as a family take time to reflect and try to understand what Jesus did for us, as he died on the cross. You can go to Good Friday services or have a quiet family reflection time. On Holy Saturday we celebrate Easter Vigil with the Blessing of the Easter Candle, reception of the new converts, and Mass of the Resurrection. Easter Sunday is the day we have been preparing for, the Resurrection of our Lord. Happy Easter!

Fund-an-Item: Thanks to everyone who has donated to the Fund-an-Item! This year we need to fix the ceiling in the auditorium. I'm sure you have all seen how needed this is and how overdue these repairs are. This is one of the most important jobs to be done this summer. If you have not made a donation to help with this project and would like to do so, please see the flyer in this week's family envelope. Any amount would be greatly appreciated!

Re-registration: Registration for next year is now overdue. The registration form and the first registration fee were due on April 9. **The rest of the registration fees are due on May 7.** Please make sure you **fill out both sides of the registration form.** In order to qualify for the Parishioner rates, you must meet the parish policy requirements which are explained in Father Rick's letter. If you need another copy of any part of the registration forms please call the school office. If you have not yet sent in your registration, please send it in as soon as possible. We are working on the budget for next year and our projected enrollment affects this budget.

"Now Enrolling" Lawn Signs: We have quite a few "Now Enrolling" Lawn Signs in the school office. If you would like to help us out by placing one in your front yard, we would appreciate it. Please see Mrs. Lepis in the office to get one.

Easter Break: On Thursday, dismissal will be at noon, and there will be no daycare. There is no school on April 19 (Good Friday), and Easter Break is the week after Easter (April 22 through April 26). We look forward to seeing everyone back to school on April 29.

Next Year's Calendar: Please note that there will be a change in the calendar for next year. We are going to be having two half days each month instead of one, and they will be on Wednesdays instead of Fridays. This allows us to have a staff meeting each month as well as time for professional growth and work time for the teachers to complete all the extra responsibilities that they have. This is a much-needed change. I hope you understand.

Scrip Orders: All scrip obligations for the 2018-2019 school year are due by April 30. Any orders May 1st and after will go toward your 2019-2020 school year obligation. Please order now if you have not reached this year's obligation yet.

Hot Lunch Reminder: Don't forget that hot lunch is to be ordered by the month and on time. We have been having many issues with late orders. Mrs. Lepis has been chasing down students to make sure their orders get turned in. She should not have to do this. Please be on top of it and be sure to order on time. Another hot lunch issue that has become a problem is having too many emergency hot lunch orders. We are running out of lunches for those students who have ordered on time. This cannot happen. I have purchased peanut butter, jelly, and bread. If a child forgets his/her lunch he/she will receive a peanut butter and jelly sandwich lunch. We will still charge a lunch fee for this. I hope you understand why we need to do this. Please help your child have their lunch each day.

ST. DIDACUS PARISH SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT:

St. Didacus Parish School is a Catholic elementary school engaged 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.

Weekly Schedule

Parent Morning Prayer Group:

Every Monday morning after morning assembly. Please come and pray for our students and our school.

Cheer:

Monday 3:00 – 4:00 Practice

Choir & Guitar:

Choir Practice is every Tuesday from 3:00 – 4:30 in the school auditorium.

Guitar is from 3:00 – 4:00.

Fall Sports:

Co-ed Soccer- Practice Monday 3:00 – 4:30 (Varsity & JV)

Practice Friday 3:00 – 4:30 (JV only)

Boys' Volleyball- Tuesdays and Wednesdays 3:00 – 4:30

Talent Show Practice:

Wednesday 3:00 – 5:00

Gardening Club:

Thursdays 3:00 – 3:50

School Band:

Thursdays afterschool

Dates to look forward to:

April 17	Mass- 2/7
April 18	Minimum Day- Holy Thursday Living Stations of the Cross- led by 8 th grade at 10:45 at the church
April 19	Good Friday- No School
April 22 –26	Easter Break
April 28	STAR testing begins
April 30	Pajama Day
May 1	Mass- 4/5 grade Altar Society Meeting- Choir will be performing at 12:00pm.
May 2	Heritage Day- Students may bring in a dish to share with their class and they may wear clothing to represent their nationality.
May 3	Minimum Day – Staff Meeting Morning Assembly- Kindergarten Adoration- 1 & 2 grade
May 4	First Communion Retreat- 2 nd grade students and their parents. (10:00 – 12:00)