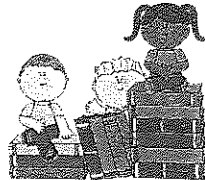


St. Didacus Parish School
4630 34th Street, San Diego, CA 92116
Working Hard, Serving Others, Sharing God's Love
Mrs. Dean's Weekly Newsletter
September 4, 2018

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



Today you will receive our Annual Appeal Letter in the family envelope. I ask that you read it carefully and consider taking part in this very worthy cause for our school. Our goal is to have 100 percent of our families participating, and with your help, we can get there. Thank you so much!

Today in the family envelope, we will be sending home the Earthquake Disaster Forms. Please fill them out and turn them in by Friday.

Don't forget that tomorrow is a full-dress uniform day. We will be attending our first whole school Mass. All students must have their sweaters, but after Mass, if it's hot, they will be able to take them off.

Last Friday, Paul Effman Music was here to demonstrate the different instruments for our new St. Didacus Band. Registration forms were sent home. If your child is interested in being in the band, please send in the forms by this Friday.

Remember that all volunteers need to go through the Safe Environment Training through cmgconnect.org as well as a background check before you are able to volunteer here at school. When signing in to the CMG site please connect as a St. Didacus Parish School volunteer. Any parent who is wanting to volunteer to drive on field trips this year will also need to complete the brief defensive driver's video on CMG as well. When you have completed any of these, please print out the certificates and turn them in to our school office. There will be a \$19 charge for the background check.

All grades will be having STAR Testing sometime between September 9th and 28th. Please read your teacher's letters to know the specific dates of their testing.

Our first Family Mass will be on Sunday, September 16th at 10:00. This is also Catechetical Sunday. We ask that all students try to attend and wear full dress uniform. This Family Mass will be planned and organized by the 6th grade families. Please put it in your calendar so you can save the date. I hope to see you all there!

Adams Avenue Street Fair is on September 29th and 30th. We're looking for volunteers to staff our school booth during those days. Please contact the school office if you're available to help us out. It's always a lot of fun, and it will count as volunteer service hours for you!

Weekly Schedule

Choir:

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

Cheer:

Wednesday 3:00 – 4:30 practice (This week only. Practice for cheer is usually on Mondays.)

Fall Sports:

Boys Football - JV Football Practice- Wednesday 3:00 – 4:30 & Saturday 8:00 – 10:00am at Bird Park

Girls Softball – Any girls in grades 6 – 8 who are interested in playing softball need to sign up with coach Lewton.

Knitting/Crochet Club:

Wednesday, 3:00-4:00pm in the kindergarten classroom

Gardening Club:

Open to students in grades 1- 8

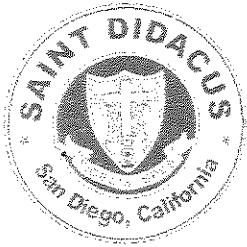
Starts Thursday, September 6 from 3:00 – 4:00pm

Logic Club:

No Meeting this Friday.

Dates to Look Forward To

- September 4 Advisory Board Meeting at 6:30pm
September 5 All School Mass- Student Council Induction- All students should be in full dress uniform.
September 7 Morning Assembly – 7th Grade
Minimum Day (Staff Meeting)
September 10- September 28 STAR Testing
September 11 PTG Board Meeting at 6:00pm in the school auditorium
September 12 Mass – Grades 3/8
School Photo Day- All students should be in full dress uniform
Annual Fund Meeting at 6:00pm
September 13 OLP & Saints visit the 7th and 8th graders
Fall Festival Meeting at 5:00pm
Christian Action Parent Coordinator Meeting at 6:30pm
September 14 Morning Assembly – 6th Grade
September 16 Catechetical Sunday – 7th Grade Family Mass 10:00am
September 18 Development Committee Meeting 6:30pm
September 19 Mass – Grades 2/7
September 21 Morning Assembly – 5th Grade
September 22-23 SES e-Waste Recycling – (Big Yard) Bring any electronic recycling you might have.
St. Didacus Church Ministry Fair after every Mass this weekend
September 25 Progress Reports will be sent home.
Mater Dei visit the 7th and 8th graders
September 26 Mass – Grades 1/6
September 27 First Band Practice (Auditorium)
September 28 Fall Sports Rally at 2:00pm
September 29-30 Adams Avenue Street Fair



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Dear St. Didacus Families;

I think we can all agree that St. Didacus Parish School is a very special place. It is a community of love, faith and learning deeply rooted in our Catholic faith. For more than 79 years, St. Didacus Parish School has been firmly committed to our mission of educating God's children in a warm and caring environment that promotes spiritual growth, academic excellence and social responsibility. None of this would be possible without the involvement and support of our school families and the larger St. Didacus community.

The cost of educating each student at St. Didacus is much greater than the tuition we collect. In fact, the gap in our operating budget is about \$850 per student. Each year, our Annual Appeal helps to keep tuition increases to a minimum - making Catholic education affordable for families in our community - while providing funding for many of the school's most pressing needs such as investments in technology, improvements to the school facilities and support for our incredible faculty.

One thing that I ask of you: Never be afraid of giving. There is deep joy in giving, since what we receive is much more than what we give.

— Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Every dollar raised is used to enrich the school and the lives of our students so that they may be the future Catholic leaders our world so greatly needs.

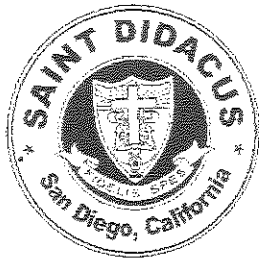
Please help impact the educational experience of your child, and every student at St. Didacus, by making a donation to the 2018-19 Annual Appeal.

We are hoping for 100% participation by all St. Didacus families by September 21. When we reach 100% participation, we will celebrate together with a special movie day for the children, including a pajamas, popcorn and treats!

Your generous support really does make a difference! Gifts of all sizes are needed and greatly appreciated. Please don't hesitate to contact me directly with any questions.

Thank you again and God bless,
Mrs. Christine Dean
Principal





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2018-2019 Annual Appeal Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Why does St. Didacus have an annual appeal?

A: At St. Didacus tuition only covers a portion of the actual cost of educating our students. In fact, the gap between what is collected in tuition and the school's operating budget is approximately \$170,000, or \$848 per student.

Q: What would be cut from the budget if we don't raise these critical funds?

A: Without fundraising, our ability to repair, update and improve the school's facilities is a real challenge. In addition, we would like to invest in classroom technology and additional professional development opportunities for our faculty. The more we raise, the bigger our impact on educating your child!

Q: Who gives to the Annual Appeal?

A: Parents, grandparents, alumni, alumni parents, parishioners, faculty and staff, local businesses and the larger St. Didacus community contribute to the Annual Appeal.

Q: How much should I give?

A: Only you can decide how much to contribute to the Annual Appeal this year. We know that the capacity to give varies significantly in our school community. All we ask is that while you have a child (or children) at St. Didacus that the school be among your top three philanthropic priorities. Gifts of all sizes are needed and greatly appreciated. Our #1 goal is 100% participation by all families.

Q: When should I give?

A: We are asking all families to make a gift or pledge by September 21. Our ability to secure grant funding and major gifts from other donors is impacted significantly by our ability to show full support from the parent community.

Q: Why not set tuition high enough to cover expenses?

A: Higher tuition might keep some families from enrolling their children. We are committed to making a Catholic education possible for as many children as possible. Community members are asked to give as much to the Annual Appeal as they are able; those who can give more are encouraged to take a leadership role.

Q: Are families who receive financial aid asked to contribute?

A: Yes, everyone in the St. Didacus school community is asked to participate. Every gift counts, regardless of the amount.

Q: How do I make a gift?

A: You can make a gift online at stdidacusparishschool.org, or return the pledge form to the school. Gifts of cash, check or credit card are welcome. To increase the impact of your gift, you might also consider a monthly contribution. For those who are currently experiencing budget constraints, we encourage you to make a pledge to give before December 31, 2018.



St. Didacus Parish School
2018-2019 Annual Fund
Parent Pledge Form

Family Name _____

Student Name(s) _____

Yes! I want to help students at St. Didacus reach their full potential!

One-Time Gift Monthly Gift Pledge to give by December 31, 2018

Select Gift Amount:

___ \$50 ___ \$100 ___ \$250 ___ \$500 ___ \$1,000 ___ Other Amount

Gift Designation:

- ___ Area of Greatest Need (Unrestricted)
- ___ New set of classroom laptops and cart (Goal: \$35,000)
- ___ Building Maintenance/Upgrades (Goal: \$40,000)
- ___ Faculty Professional Development (Goal: \$5,000)
- ___ Replace playground benches (Goal: \$5,000)

Payment Information:

- My check is enclosed
- Please charge my credit card Visa Mastercard American Express

Credit Card Number _____

Exp. _____ CVV _____

Billing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Signature _____

Thank you for supporting the students at St. Didacus! Your gift is 100% tax deductible. Tax ID # 27-3935407
Gifts can also be made online at stdidacusparishschool.org. If you have any questions, please contact
Mrs. Dean or Annual Appeal Chair, Kristin Wiggins at kwiggins074@gmail.com.



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(One Per Family)

EARTHQUAKE / DISASTER RELEASE RECORD

* Note: Parent/Guardian signature required

FAMILY NAME: _____ SCHOOL: _____

1.	Children's Names	Grade	3.	Children's Names	Grade
2.	_____	_____	4.	_____	_____

Home Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Father's Business Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Mother's Business Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Father's Business Hours: _____

Mother's Business Hours: _____

Father's Cell Number: (____) _____ Mother's Cell Number: (____) _____

LIST FOUR (4) ADULTS YOU AUTHORIZE TO PICK UP YOUR CHILD IN AN EMERGENCY:

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____ Relationship: _____

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____ Relationship: _____

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____ Relationship: _____

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____ Relationship: _____

Name of Family Physician: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Medical Precautions/Information: _____

***CONSENT**

I authorize the school to provide for medical services for my children, in an emergency.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

EARTHQUAKE / DISASTER RELEASE RECORD (for school use only)

Name: _____ Was released to: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Location to which child/children taken: _____

School Official: _____

Name: _____ Was released to: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Location to which child/children taken: _____

School Official: _____

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Date: _____ Time: _____

Location to which child/children taken: _____

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JOIN THE SCHOOL BAND & STRING PROGRAM FALL 2018

ST DIDACUS SCHOOL, SAN DIEGO, CA

Register Online at www.pemusic.com/join

Please complete one form per child. Return form with payment or credit card information to the school office by

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2018.

Step 1: Choose Your Instrument

Select Instrument: Flute Clarinet Alto Saxophone Trumpet Trombone
 Bell Kit Drums Other: _____ Violin

Check One: Rental Needed - If you need a rental, please make your selection on the reverse side of this form
 Purchase - If you are purchasing, please make your selection on the reverse side of this form
 Already have an instrument Have a continued rental from last year

Please Note:
To receive an instrument at the first lesson, all fees must be received with this signed form.

*See reverse side for purchase and rental information and prices. If you are renting or purchasing, enter the price in "Line C" below.

Step 2: Complete The Following

Student Name: _____ Grade/Class: _____ Student's Experience: _____ (years)
Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____
Billing Address: _____ Apt. #: _____ City/Town: _____
State: _____ Zip: _____ Parent E-mail: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian Name (print): _____ Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Step 3: Program, Schedule, & Tuition Details

The Band Program is available to students in grades 3-8, with or without experience. Half hour small group lessons given after school on Thursdays. Lesson schedule begins at dismissal. You will receive your assigned lesson time prior to the 1st lesson. Not all Students will be scheduled at dismissal. Adult supervision is provided for waiting students.

Violin is available to grades 1-8.

The annual tuition is divided into nine monthly installments. The first installment and the Registration Fee are due with this form. The remaining eight installments are due on the last day of each month. You will receive a payment coupon sheet. These installments may be paid by credit card automatically. You can prepay some or all installments at any time. The monthly tuition installment amounts are:

\$62 per month for 1 child • \$102 per month for 2 children • \$124 per month for 3 children • \$10 for each child exceeding 3

Step 4: Calculate Payment

Check & Money Order Payments:
Make payable to "Paul Effman Music." Write student name and school on the memo line. Attach check or money order to form or place in an envelope.

ENTER ALL FEES ON OLDEST CHILD'S FORM		If you have 1 child enrolling, fill out the column below.	If you have 2 children enrolling, fill out the column below.	If you have 3 children enrolling, fill out the column below.
Line A	Tuition Installment #1	\$62	\$102	\$124
Line B	Registration Fee <i>(non-refundable)</i>	+ \$35	+ \$70	+ \$105
Line C	Instrument Fees <i>(non-refundable - SEE REVERSE)</i> <i>Enter "0" if you do not need an instrument.</i>	+	+	+
Line A +	TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED	\$	\$	\$
Line B +				
Line C =				

Step 5: Credit Card Payments

I authorize Paul Effman Music to charge my tuition installments to this credit card monthly.

Check Here. Optional. After the 1st month, cards will be charged on or about the last day of each month.

CCV Code: Visa, MasterCard & Discover - 3 digit code found on signature panel. AMEX - 4 digit code on front, above card number, to the right.

Card Type:

Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____ / _____ CCV Code: _____

Name on Card: _____ Authorized Signature: _____

By providing your credit card number, you consent to having this credit card charged for current and/or past due balances. By registering, you agree to all terms and conditions on the reverse side.

For office use only: Amt. Paid: _____ Check # _____ Cash CC MO Initial: _____ Code: _____
0084085 180 Rental/Serial # _____



INSTRUMENT RENTAL & PURCHASE FORM - FALL 2018

It is recommended that first year students rent an instrument. There are no refunds for rentals or purchases. Additional information and demonstration videos are available at pemusic.com.

Flute . Clarinet . Trumpet . Saxophone . Trombone . Bell Kit . Drums . Violin

See "Program, Schedule, & Tuition Details" section on the front of this form to see the eligible grades to participate in the band and the string program.

Viola, Cello, & Double Bass: Although these instruments are not offered for rental or purchase, students with experience playing them are welcome to participate.



RENTAL OPTIONS



Prices are per school year and include local sales tax.

<input type="checkbox"/> Flute	\$109	<input type="checkbox"/> Alto Saxophone*	\$154	<input type="checkbox"/> Specialized Instruments	\$194
<input type="checkbox"/> Clarinet	\$109	*Student must be able to touch the two saxophone images above with the thumb and pinky of his or her left hand. The clarinet is recommended for 3rd graders whose hands are not yet large enough.		Bass Clarinet	French Horn
<input type="checkbox"/> Trumpet	\$109			Piccolo	Tenor Saxophone
<input type="checkbox"/> Trombone	\$109			Baritone Horn	
*Trombone not available to 3rd graders		<input type="checkbox"/> Tuba or Baritone Saxophone	\$399	<input type="checkbox"/> Violin	\$159
<input type="checkbox"/> Snare Drum Kit	\$109				
<input type="checkbox"/> Bell Kit	\$109				

Damage Protection (included with all rentals): The Paul Effman Music Service Damage Protection Plan provides assurance that your child's rental instrument is covered for any accidental damage. Repair costs of rental instruments can be significant. This plan covers any damage to the instrument, excluding blatant negligence, loss, or theft. This plan does not cover included accessories such as reeds, mouthpieces, drum sticks, neck straps, drum heads, rosin, bridges, bows, etc.

PURCHASE OPTIONS

Prices include local sales tax.

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Includes 2 year Factory Warranty and Free Adjustments for an additional 2 years. Includes hard shell case.

<input type="checkbox"/> Flute	\$271.55
<input type="checkbox"/> Clarinet	\$271.55
<input type="checkbox"/> Alto Sax	\$488.80
<input type="checkbox"/> Trumpet	\$271.55



Includes 5 year Factory Warranty. Includes hard shell case.

We carry the full line of Yamaha Instruments, including intermediate and professional models. Please call for details and pricing.

<input type="checkbox"/> Flute YFL-222	\$608.29
<input type="checkbox"/> Clarinet YCL-255	\$630.01
<input type="checkbox"/> Alto Sax YAS-26	\$1,477.29
<input type="checkbox"/> Trumpet YTR-2330	\$760.36
<input type="checkbox"/> Trombone YSL-354	\$760.36
<input type="checkbox"/> Snare Drum Kit SK-285	\$217.24
<input type="checkbox"/> Bell Kit SPK-285	\$217.24

ES **Eastman Strings**
Modern Instruments - Old-fashioned Quality

Includes 2 year Factory Warranty. Includes hard shell case.

<input type="checkbox"/> VL80 FULL SIZE	\$434.49
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* VIOLIN—Recommended for 7th and 8th graders only. Younger students will require larger sizes as they grow (until they reach full size - 7th or 8th grade).

After making your selection, please enter the price in the "Line C" box on the front of this form.

Music stands, reeds, and a complete line of instrument accessories are offered year-round. Order forms and catalogs are available from your director or you can visit our online store at www.pemusicstore.com.

TERMS & CONDITIONS: TRADITIONAL RENTAL/TUITION

1. THERE ARE NO REFUNDS FOR EARLY INSTRUMENT RETURNS.
2. Tuition payments are due on the last day of each month. Late payments are subject to an annual late fee not exceeding \$30. Failure to make timely payments may result in removal from the program and early rental instrument collection. There is a \$25 fee for all returned checks.
3. I agree to pay the replacement value for lost or stolen instruments. Snare Drum Kits and Bell Kits are \$217.24. Baritone Saxophone and Tuba are \$1500. Alto Saxophone and specialized instruments are \$550. All other instruments are \$275.
4. I agree to return the rental instrument on or before the last lesson during the 2018-2019 school year. I agree to be responsible for missing parts, broken mouthpieces, broken drum heads (\$20), willful damage, vandalism, loss or theft of instrument. I agree to pay a \$30 late fee if I return my instrument after June 30, 2019.
5. I agree to return the rental instrument in good condition, as when received less normal wear.
6. I understand that photos of concerts and/or classes could be used on the Paul Effman Music Service website or school websites.
7. I acknowledge that by providing my email address on the front of this form, I may receive email communications from Paul Effman Music Service.
8. By registering my child(ren), I agree to all of the terms and conditions listed above.
9. By providing a credit card number to Paul Effman Music Service and signing the front of this form, I consent to having this credit card charged for current and/or past due balances.