

St. Didacus Parish School
A Community of Faith, Knowledge, and Service

Principal's Newsletter
December 4, 2017

To: All Parents
From: Christine Dean

Yesterday was the first day of Advent. This is the time of year when we prepare for the coming of Jesus on Christmas Day. It is a great opportunity to start family traditions, like an advent calendar or advent wreath.

The students have begun practicing their songs for the St. Didacus Annual Christmas Program. The eighth graders will be leading us in a play called "Meet Me at the Manger". Preschoolers and kindergarteners are asked to wear Christmas-themed clothing. Students in grades 1-7 are asked to dress in white tops: blouses or shirts; black bottoms: slacks or skirts and their black school dress shoes. No neckties. The eighth graders will be dressed in Nativity costumes. Please be aware that the students will have two dress rehearsals, two performances, and a student performance for which they will need to be wearing this dress attire. The schedule is below:

Friday, December 15 at 1:00- 2:30	Dress Rehearsal
Monday, December 18 at 8:30- 10:00	Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday, December 19 at 9am adn7pm	Performances
Wednesday, December 20 at 9:15	Student Performance

Many thanks to everyone who connected to our Facebook page! If you have not looked for our Facebook page we invite you to do so now. Please search for "St. Didacus Parish School". Look for the St. Didacus emblem as the profile picture, and a whole school picture of the students all in their red sweaters in front of the church as the cover photo. We have many current pictures of school events posted. I hope you follow us and share all that we do here at St. Didacus with all of your Facebook friends. Let's show everyone how proud we are of our students, families, and our entire St. Didacus Family!

In the center of the hallway we have the St. Didacus Christmas tree set up. We are asking every family to bring in one ornament to help decorate the Christmas tree. Feel free to just put your ornament on the tree by yourself. Along with the ornaments, we are also asking for donations for our Annual Toy Drive. We need new unwrapped toys (no batteries) for the children who live in the orphanages in Tecate, Mexico. Please have your donations in by December 15th.

Wednesday, December 6, Saint Augustine High School invites all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade girls and boys to view "Screen-agers: Growing Up in the Digital Age." This is a free event. You just need to show up. No RSVP is necessary.

Catch of the Week: Savannah Ghebzeabher being a Christ-Centered Person and a Responsible Citizen.

After School Weekly Schedule

Monday: Volleyball Practice/Cheer Practice/Dance/Varsity Basketball
Tuesday: Choir/Varsity Football
Wednesday: Gardening Club/ Guitar/Chess/JV Basketball
Thursday: Knitting Class/Varsity Football

Sports this Week:

Pee wee Soccer Schedule:

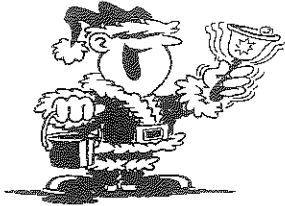
1st grade 8:00am St. Didacus vs St.Pius X
2nd grade 10:00am St. Didacus vs Sacred Heart
3rd grade 1:00pm St. Didacus vs Juan Diego
4th grade 12:00pm St. Didacus vs Our Lady's
*All Pee Wee Soccer games are at Santa Sophia except games against St. Charles are at St. Charles.

Advent Morning of Prayer Schedule:

December 5 Kindergarten
December 7 Grade 7
December 12 & 13 Grade 8 Retreat
December 13 Grade 2
December 14 Grade 4
December 15 Grade 6

Important Upcoming Dates:

December 5 School Advisory Board Meeting at 6:30pm
December 6 Mass: Grade 3 & 8
December 8 All School Mass- "Immaculate Conception" at 8:30- Grade 4
Whole School Photo (after Mass)
Jr. Great Books at 6:00pm
December 9 Saints Championship Football Tournament
Cathedral Catholic High School Basketball Tournament
December 12 Progress Reports
PTG Board Meeting at 6:00pm
Grade 8 Retreat
December 13 Grade 8 Retreat
Mass: Grade 2 & 7
December 14 Grade 8 Christmas Store
December 15 Grade 8 Christmas Store
Whole School Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal
December 16 Cathedral Catholic High School Basketball Tournament
December 17 All School Family Mass at 10:00am- Grade 5
December 18 Whole School Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal at 8:30am
December 19 Christmas Program 9:00am & 7:00pm
December 20 Mass: Grade 4 & 5
December 21 Advent Prayer Service at 11:15 in the school auditorium
Minimum Day-12:00 pm – NO DAYCARE
December 22- January 5 Christmas Break
January 8 Back to School



CHRISTMAS PROGRAM 2017 DVD ORDER FORM



It is that time of year again to order your own Blu-Ray/DVD of those once-in-a-lifetime Christmas Program memories. All Productions Video Company will be filming our program. High Definition Blu-Ray DVD's are available for \$32.00. DVDs are available for \$25.00. What a nice gift for Grandparents, Godparents, Aunts, Uncles and special friends!

Name: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

INSTRUCTIONS:

please send my order home with _____ in grade _____. Please note that St. Didacus Parish School cannot be responsible for orders after they are given to students.

I will pick up my order in the school office. (You will be called when it is ready).

Number of Blu-Rays _____ at \$32.00 each (tax included) = _____

Number of DVDs _____ at \$25.00 each (tax included) = _____

Make checks payable to St. Didacus School.

Order pickup on _____ Initials _____



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NIGHT
SAN DIEGO GULLS vs. TUCSON ROADRUNNERS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M.

The San Diego Gulls are very excited to host Catholic Schools Night again this season. This is a home game being played at Valley View Casino Center at 3500 Sports Arena Blvd. San Diego, CA 92110

Our school has the ability to put a bulk order together to ensure that our families can sit together!

Upper bowl tickets start at \$18.00 each or \$21.00 with a Gulls hat. Please return your final order to your child's teacher by **Monday, January 08, 2018.**

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>TICKETS</u>	<u>TOTAL PRICE</u>
_____	Upper Bowl Ticket @\$18	_____
_____	With Gulls Hat @\$21	_____

Name: _____

Phone # _____

Send my order home with _____
 In Grade _____

I will pick my order up in the office _____

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