Saint Vincent de Paul School

Bi-monthly Newsletter



January 9, 2014

Dear St. Vincent de Paul Community,

We celebrate the New Year with resolutions, expectations and dreams for a year filled with wonder. G.K. Chesterton said, "The object of a New Year is not that we should have a new year. It is that we should have a new soul." As we approach the 365 days of 2015, wouldn't it be wonderful if we committed to creating a "new soul" that is open, accepting of differences, non-judgmental and committed to service to the poor?

As mentioned in Monday's email to all parents, Steve Purtill resigned on January 1st. We thank him for his service to SVDP and wish him well in his new endeavors. We are happy to announce that Jessica Cannata will assume Mr. Purtill's teaching responsibilities. Ms. Cannata has a teaching credential, a Master's degree in education and 10 years experience. At her previous school she effectively integrated technology and assisted other teachers to do the same. Ms. Cannata enthusiastically assumes this new position and looks forward to working with each of your children.

This is the month of "BEES". Our annual spelling bee will occur on Friday, January 16 in the Parish Hall. You are very welcome to join us. Third through fifth grades will participate at 8:30am and sixth through eighth grades will begin their bee at 1:45pm. Later in the month on Thursday, January 22nd fifth through eighth graders will meet in the battle of geography. These students have already taken a preliminary qualifying test and the strongest geographers from each class will compete at 11:30 on the 22nd. Come watch our terrific spellers and geographers as they compete in the clash of the grades.

Marie Ferdon is working diligently to organize over sixty kindergarten applications. These potential kindergartners represent siblings, parishioners, and children from a variety of preschools. Kindergarten assessments will take place during the first week of February. We look forward to meeting our applicants and determining the best placements for these potential students.

St. Vincent de Paul School is pleased to announce the launch of its new website. Our goal

with this updated site is to provide visitors and potential families easier access to learning about St. Vincent de Paul School. For current families, we hope to provide easily accessible information about our school and school events. You will notice that classroom sites are currently not visible to the public as they are currently under construction. Thank you for your patience. Our website will always be a work in progress.

Blessings,

Nancy Barrett Marguerite Pini Co-Principal Co-Principal

Calendar reminders:

January 16	Spelling Bee		
January 16	End of second quarter		
January 19	School Holiday		
January 22	Geography Bee		
January 25	School Mass at 10:00 followed by Open House		
January 26	12:30 Minimum Day dismissal		
January 29	Gym closed		
January 30	Grandparents Day		
	12:30 Minimum Day dismissal		
	Gym closed		

Grandparents Day is around the corner!

You will be receiving an email to register your child's grandparent/grandfriend for our special day on January 30 starting at 10:45a.m.

Below please see the link to forward an invitation to your guests.

We look forward to seeing you at St. Vincent de Paul School Grandparents and Grandfriends Day St. Vincent de Paul School 2350 Green Street Friday, January 30, 2015 10:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 10:45 Prayer Service at St. Vincent de Paul Church 11:30 Refreshments and Performance at School Gymnasium – open seating 12:00 Visit classrooms and spend time with your grandchild or grandfriend Complimentary valet parking will be provided for our guests. Please let your family know if you are able to attend so that they may RSVP on your behalf.

Copy and paste the URL invitation into an email to share the link with grandparents/grandfriends: <u>Grandparents Day Invitation 2015</u>

The St. Vincent de Paul Parish Men's Club Cordially Invites You To



SATURDAY – JANUARY 24, 2015 – 6 to 11 PM In The St. Vincent de Paul Parish Hall and Cafeteria

TICKETS: \$60 EACH

The Ticket Price Includes <u>Everything</u>: Open Bar, Cioppino Dinner with Fine Wine and Music

SEATING IS LIMITED, SO DON'T DELAY!



I can out swim that crab, but not the Men's Club Cooks!!!

JOIN US AND BRING YOUR FRIENDS FOR AN EVENING OF GREAT DRINKS, A DELICIOUS CIOPPINO DINNER ALL FOR ONE GREAT PRICE!

(if crab isn't your thing and you want to join the party, just let us know and we'll make you a steak!)



R.S.V.P. REQUIRED BY MONDAY, JANUARY 19th

For questions, call Rick Gandolfo at 921-5012 or Aldo Congi at 296-2170
Detach this coupon and mail to: Mr. Rick Gandolfo, 3429 Divisadero St., San Francisco, 94123
You may pick up your tickets at the Parish Hall on the night of the dinner.

Enclosed is my check payable to St. Vincent de Paul Men's Club				
· ·	Tickets @ \$60.00 each	Total \$		
NAME				
PHONE (day)	(evening)			
SEATING ARRANGEMENTS: I would like to sit with				
☐ I am looking:	to make new friends. I'll sit anyv	where I	am not a fan of crab, make me a steak	

Click on link to print out form: Cioppino Registration Form

Catholic Schools Week
January 25-31

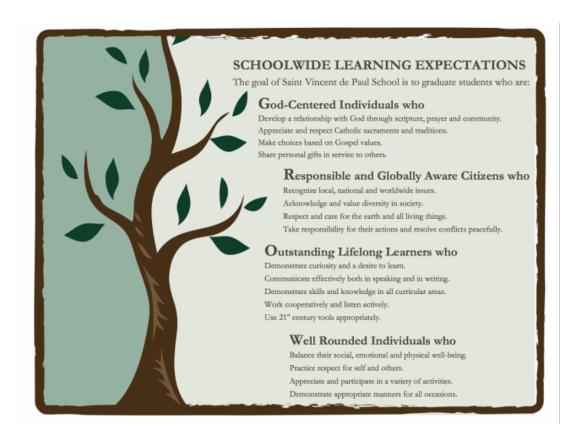
National Catholic Schools Week is an annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. Catholic Schools Week is on January 25 - 31. The theme is "Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge, and Service.

We will begin the week with an *Open House on Sunday, January 25 after the 10:00 am Mass until 1:00 pm*. If you know someone who is interested in a great Catholic education for their children, please encourage them to come and see what we are all about.



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Saint Vincent de Paul School is to educate our students in the Catholic tradition. We aspire to teach as Jesus did, with a focus on the gospel values. As facilitators of learning, we recognize parents as the primary educators of their children. We encourage our students to be responsible and sensitive to church, school, and neighboring communities. We challenge our students to build their moral intelligence and become self-motivated lifelong learners who will share their gifts with the world.



Family Envelope

Flyers you will find inside:

December was the last hard copy of the family envelope. All future information will be sent home electronically.

We are going **GREEN!**

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

January 19

Noble Saint Vincent de Paul, beloved servant of the poor, may we follow your example and do good works among those whom society has abandoned, enslaved, or forgotten. Amen.









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