

# Sacred Heart School Family Newsletter

## October 5, 2017

Dear Families,

The month of the Holy Rosary is October and this entire month is dedicated to the Rosary. The feast of the Rosary is held on October 7th in memory of the glorious and triumphant [victory at the battle of Lepanto](#) in 1571. That battle was the most convincing military victory that proved without a doubt the great [power of the Rosary](#).

The month of October is a good time to commit to praying the Rosary every day. The Rosary will bring great peace and holiness to your life. It is a [powerful instrument for conversion](#). The Rosary is the [best method of honoring Mary](#).

The Rosary teaches us about the Scriptures. Many people do not realize that praying the rosary is meant to be a meditation upon the life of Christ and Mary in the Scriptures. Although not every mystery of the rosary can be found specifically in the Bible, the rosary can be an effective way to introduce children to stories from the Bible. By encouraging children to meditate on the mysteries of the rosary, they will be able to use this knowledge in later lessons about the Annunciation, birth of Jesus, Paschal Mystery, etc.

The Rosary can teach children to be quiet. Children of all ages rarely get time to quiet themselves. Saying the rosary can be an opportunity to slow down, be quiet, center themselves, and focus on God. Repetitive prayer can be a very effective way to center oneself.

Following are simple steps to praying The Rosary. Full guides are available on-line, at the back of church and in your child's religion text book. 1. Make the Sign of the Cross and say The Apostles' Creed 2. Say the Our Father 3. Say Three Hail Marys 4. Say the Glory Be to the Father 5. Announce the First Mystery; then say the Our Father 6. Say 10 Hail Marys 7. Say the Glory Be to the Father 8. Say the O My Jesus 9. Announce the Second Mystery; then say the Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, the Glory Be to the Father and the O My Jesus. 10. Announce the Third Mystery; then say the Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, the Glory Be to the Father and the O My Jesus. 11. Announce the Fourth Mystery; then say the Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, the Glory Be to the Father and the O My Jesus. 12. Announce the Fifth Mystery; then say the Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, the Glory Be to the Father and the O My Jesus. 13. Conclude by saying the Hail, Holy Queen.

In Partnership,  
Mr. Bruzzio

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### **Attachments:**

- **September Outreach Newsletter**
- **Coffee with the Counselor:** Junior High students go through many changes and need their parents' support. Mrs. Audrey Richardson, our junior high counselor, will hold a series of discussion groups to help parents help their children. All are welcome.

### **Tomorrow's First Friday Schedule:**

- **First Friday Mass and Minimum day dismissal** – Our First Friday Mass will be celebrated tomorrow, October 6<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 a.m. All students must be in Mass attire. Everyone is welcome to attend. School

will be dismissed at 12:00 p.m. tomorrow. Extended care will be available until 5:30 p.m. Students staying for Extended Care must bring a lunch.

- **Used Uniform Sale – 7:45am to 8:15am at the lunch tables outside the gym.** Feel free to bring gently used uniforms to trade for larger sizes.
- **Brown Bag Friday Food Drive and Raffle-** This month's collection will benefit *Street Life Project*. For the past five years, Street Life Project has been serving on the front-line and focuses on building relationships in the streets, under bridges, and in hidden camps throughout the Coachella Valley. Serving meals, clothing, hygiene and other needed resources allows them to form trusting friendships with those living in the streets, so that they can assist them with rehab, jobs, housing, etc. to help them get back on their feet. Any and all donations will be greatly appreciated! For every canned good/non-perishable item, students will receive one raffle ticket for a chance to win a PRIZE!

**Book Fair next week!** Our Fall Book Fair will be open next Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> -Oct.12<sup>th</sup> between 7:30am-3:30pm. Students will have an opportunity to preview the book fair on Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. Come in and enjoy the great selection of books for all interest levels. There will be something for everybody. Hope to see you all there!

**Picture Make Up Day is next Wednesday, October 11th.** Student's wishing to have their pictures re-taken and students, who did not have their picture taken the first time around, may take advantage of this opportunity. Picture flyers were sent home earlier this week. Each student taking a photo must have either a completed order packet or their original photo packet with them on the morning of October 11<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

**Xavier's Annual Pasta Dinner - Pasta with a Purpose:** Xavier College Prep would like to invite you to join us at our Annual Pasta Dinner - "Pasta with a Purpose" event. This event not only hosts friends and family of Xavier, it also helps our school fulfill the wishes of our athletics, academic programs, campus ministry outreach and events as well as the visual and performing arts programs on campus. Mario's Italian Cafe will be hosting a feast for everyone to celebrate this night of family, friends and festivities. The event is Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 5:30pm to 7:30pm in our Berger Athletic Center. There will be an auction, raffle and plenty of items which directly benefit the terrific programs supporting our students. We look forward to your attendance! Please join us!

**CPR/1<sup>st</sup> Aid Training:** Troop 007 organized CPR/1st aid training 10/15 at McNellis hall. The class also includes infant and toddler CPR as well as some information on disaster preparedness. \$49.95 please sign up online at <https://www.disastersurvivalskills.com/product/trainings/site-cpr-first-aid-training/>. Contact Marcie Madain at (760) 861-4509 with any questions.

**JUNIOR HIGH INFO - SERVICE HOURS!** Sign-ups will NO longer be e-blasted when posted. ALL sign-ups and school-organized opportunities will be posted on the outreach page as they become available (usually updated Tuesday and Thursday by noon):  
<http://www.sacredheartpalmdesert.com/outreach-calendar>.

6 new event dates posted Tuesday and today with SignUp Genius links! **We have already offered 723 hours for the 1<sup>st</sup> trimester!**

## ***SHS Mom's Faith & Prayer*** invite you to join us to

*Grow in our faith and encourage each other to walk with the Lord.*

Praising and worshipping the Lord through prayer, song, scripture and sharing is the purpose of this group.

*Thursdays 8:30-10:00am—Room 333*

*All are Welcome! Bring a friend.*

*Coffee and Snack provided*

*Questions-- text or message—*

*[760-851-7643](tel:760-851-7643) Willena Martin*

We pray the Rosary in the church weekly @ 2:30, finished in time for pick up. On Tuesday, October 10th, we will be joined by Mr. Lethcoe's 8th grade homeroom. All are welcome to join us. Family Prayer for the week:

*"For the unbelieving husband is made holy because of his wife, and the unbelieving wife is made holy because of her husband. Otherwise your children would be unclean, but as it is, they are holy."*

*[1 Corinthians 7:14]*

### **Important SHS Links:**

Sacred Heart School Parent Club Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/Sacred.Heart.PD.Parents>

Hot Lunch Volunteer Sign Up Genius: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c49aea82ea20-hotlunch>

Watch Dog Volunteer Sign Up Genius: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c49aea82ea20-watch>

**Cash & Carry Scrip Hours:** Cash & Carry cards will be sold on Mondays and Fridays only, beginning at 7:45am in front of the school office. Orders brought to the school office by Wednesday mornings will be filled and ready for pick up Wednesday afternoons. Forms are available in the school office.

***Prayers are Requested for....*** everyone serving in our Armed Forces, for the repose of the soul of Helen Goff; for Tillie Spring; Ted Llewlyn; Harrison & Katie De Creny; Riley Rose Sherman; Ophelia Hernandez; Seamus McManus; and, for our families and others during these hard economic times.

### **Upcoming Calendar Info:**

- 10/6/17 - 8:30 am First Friday Mass; 12:00 pm Minimum day dismissal; Mass attire mandatory; Brown Bag Friday; 7:45am Used Uniform Sale
- 10/11/17 - 8:30 am School Mass; **Picture Make-Up Day**
- 10/13/16 - 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance; 7pm to 9pm; Gym
- 10/16&17/17 - 4th Grade California History Field Trip
- 10/18/17 - 8:30am School Mass
- 10/18/17 - 8am to 8:30am; Coffee with the Counselor; Strategies for Stress & Test Anxiety
- 10/25/17 - 8:30am School Mass
- 10/26/17 - Kindergarten Field Trip to the Pumpkin Patch

- 10/27/17 - No School; Diocesan In-Service Day
- 10/29/17 - Fall Carnival; 12noon to 6pm, School field
- 11/1/17 - 9am School Mass, All Saints' Day, Holy Day of Obligation
- 11/3/17 - 12:00 pm Minimum day dismissal; Mass attire mandatory; Brown Bag Friday; 7:45am Used Uniform Sale; (No Mass today)
- 11/8/17 - 8:30am School Mass
- 11/14/17 - Norman's Uniform Sale, 2pm to 5pm, Gym