

# Sacred Heart School Family Newsletter

## September 20, 2018

Dear Families,

We want to thank the Parent Club and especially Mrs. Van Pelt for last Friday's Ice Cream Social. It was nice to see so many families enjoying each other's company. The Family Fun Nights offer a great opportunity to come together with people who share a lot in common. Raising children in a faith-filled environment, including socially, will teach them there are positive ways to fill one's time. See you at the Carnival next month!

Did you know that in our faith the family is called "the domestic Church"? Taken from the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the Christian home is the place where the children receive the first proclamation of the faith. Therefore, the family unit, the home is rightly called a church, a place of prayer, grace, school of human virtues, and Christian charity.

This is not about the make-up of the modern family, nor is it about one's faith. It is about making our faith a living part of family life. This is not easy for many because while they may be avid church goers, they do not feel confident enough in their faith to answer a child's question let alone teach their child about his/her faith. We are lucky however to be living in this digital age where everything is at our fingertips. There are many websites such as [www.catholicmoms.com](http://www.catholicmoms.com), [www.partnersinfaith.com](http://www.partnersinfaith.com), [www.catholicparents.org](http://www.catholicparents.org) which, just like those sites that help us plan parties, can help us become teachers of the faith to our children.

Navigating the hectic schedules of our lives can be difficult. I assure you, taking time to weave faith into those schedules will alleviate stress, and smooth out those troubled waters.

In Partnership,  
Mr. Bruzzio

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### **Attachments:**

- **L.O.L. (Learning about Our Lord) Pizza Party:** Sacred Heart Church invites all Kinder-5<sup>th</sup> Grade students to attend a PIZZA PARTY next Thursday to kick off the new school year! Please see the attached flyer for details.
- **October Hot Lunch Order Forms:** October Hot Lunch menus for grades Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> are being sent home as an attachment to this newsletter. Additional order forms are available in the school office. **Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> is the absolute deadline** to get your orders in! Sorry, late orders will not be accepted. **Please give special attention to the following dates:**
  - **October 5<sup>th</sup> – No School; Diocesan In-Service Day**
  - **October 25<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten's field trip to the Pumpkin Patch**
  - **October 26<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (Gonzalez) Indian Canyons field trip**

- **October 29<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (Black) Indian Canyons field trip**

**Outreach Dress Drive Tomorrow:** Sacred Heart Outreach is sponsoring a DRESS DRIVE tomorrow morning, September 21st, in support of Desert Best Friend's Closet Military Ball Gown program! Please help us honor military families and their service to our country by donating a dress. Please see the attached flyer for more details. All dress donations can be brought to the Gym.

**The Red Apple/Mrs. Fields Cookie Dough Catalog Fundraiser ends next Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup>.** Purchase or sell to family, friends & co-workers - Wonderful gifts, wrapping paper, & gourmet food items! Raise money for our school while earning 40% Family Fundraising Credit. Catalogs, along with the instructions, were sent home with the youngest child in each family last week. Additional Catalogs are available in the school office.

**Attention Junior High Parents:** The Coachella Valley Repertory presents *The Bully Plays* with public performances on Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2 pm & 7 pm. It is FREE for students 17 and younger and adults tickets are just \$15. *The Bully Plays* deal with serious and potentially disturbing issues like bullying, suicide, and depression. The purpose behind these short plays is to instigate healthy discussion about these topics in an attempt to prevent future tragedies like the ones portrayed in the play. Please visit [cvrep.org](http://cvrep.org) for more information or contact Mrs. Richardson at 760-346-3513 x270.

**Xavier Kids Cheer Clinic:** Get in the Saints spirit and come and cheer with us! Learn a cheer, chant and dance and show it off on the big stage at Xavier's Home Football game against Rancho Mirage. Clinic Dates are Monday, October 1st and Wednesday, October 3rd from 3:30pm to 5:00pm. The big performance is under the lights at the football game half time on Friday, October 5th. Ages are 5 and up. Cost is \$30 per child and it includes a T-Shirt. All proceeds help the Xavier Cheer Team attend their competition season. Register today at [www.xavierprep.org](http://www.xavierprep.org) and Go Saints!

**Next Week's Junior High Fall Sports Practice Schedule:**  
**(All practices run from 3:15pm to 4:45pm)**

- Monday, 9/24: 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Practice & 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Football Practice
- Tuesday, 9/25: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Practice
- Wednesday, 9/26: 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Practice & 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Football Practice
- Thursday, 9/25: 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Practice

\*Games will begin on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Schedules will be handed out on Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup>.

**JH Service Hours:** FIVE new opportunities were added this week! Shirts were sent home last week.

\*\*\*\*CANCELLATIONS – please note that any cancellations within 24 hours of the event could result in a loss of service hours equal to those that would have been earned. No-shows WILL result in a loss of service hours equal to those that would have been earned. \*\*\*\*

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>.

**STUDENTS MUST TAKE A PICTURE AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO ATTACH TO THE REPORTING FORM!!**

Please check [www.sacredheartpalmdesert.com/outreach-calendar](http://www.sacredheartpalmdesert.com/outreach-calendar) every Tuesday and Thursday for new events/cancellations. **424 hours offered this trimester!**

## ***SHS Mom's Faith & Prayer***

*invites you to Grow in your faith and encourage each other to walk with the Lord.*

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

Thursdays 8:30-10:00am—Room 333 Starting 30 AUG 2018

All are Welcome, bring a friend and Delight in The Lord! Coffee and Snack provided.

Questions-- text or message—760-851-7643 Willena Martin [pdwillena@gmail.com](mailto:pdwillena@gmail.com)

### ***Family Prayer for the week:***

*Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that the course of our world may be directed by your peaceful rule and that your Church may rejoice, untroubled in her devotion. Amen.*

**Dance and Theatre News:** There is still time to register for our afterschool dance and theatre program. Registration is ongoing through January of 2019. A schedule as well as registration forms can be found in the school office or online at [www.spiritofdanceshs.com](http://www.spiritofdanceshs.com)

Please contact Julie Ann if you have any questions at [jaensey@hotmail.com](mailto:jaensey@hotmail.com) or 760-832-3956

***Prayers are Requested for.... everyone serving in our Armed Forces, for the repose of the soul of Bill Buckingham, for Leanne Pepperdine, Carl Fernandez, Kelsey Egley, Jerry Forrest, Pat O'Brien and for our families and others during these hard economic times.***

**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.

## Upcoming Calendar Info:

- 9/26/18 - 8:30 am School Mass; Mass attire mandatory
- 10/3/18 - Progress Reports go home today
- 10/5/18 - NO SCHOOL, Teacher In-Service Day
- 10/10/18 - 8:30 am School Mass; Mass attire mandatory
- 10/12/18 - 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance & Social
- 10/14/18 - School Carnival
- 10/17/18 - 8:30 am School Mass; **Picture Make-Up Day**; Mass attire mandatory
- 10/24/18 - 8:30 am School Mass; Mass attire mandatory
- 10/25/18 - Kindergarten Pumpkin Patch Field Trip
- 10/26/18 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (Gonzalez) Indian Canyons Field Trip
- 10/29/18 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (Black) Indian Canyons Field Trip