



The Light

St. Luke Catholic School



"For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day."

JN 6:40



Above, back row from left: Carla Almeter, Mary Ann Gurdowski, Maxine Elizondo, Angela Luna, Shannon Lopez-Montes; **front row:** Mary Knisley, Lisa Holguin

A Big Thanks to our Entertainment Book Team!

On behalf of the entire school community, we would like to thank Mrs. Maxine Elizondo and her team of volunteers who worked so hard and gave generously of their time. A special thanks to the following parents who helped Mrs. Elizondo with the Entertainment Book sale: Carla Almeter, Sylvia Bendele, Renee Borzillo Chisum, Daniel Carrillo, Luis Elizondo, Tommie Galvan, Mary Ann Gurdowski, Lisa Holguin, Mary Knisley, Shannon Lopez-Montez, Angela Luna, Gilbert Montez, Michael Moore, Cathy Puente, Nicole Rodriguez, Yolanda Rodriguez, Roxanne Serna, Amber Trevino and Martha Villagomez.

Finally, many thanks to all of the parents and students who sold Entertainment Books and/or participated in the "buy-out". All of our students will benefit from your efforts!

Thanks for a Great Halloween Carnival

Many thanks to all of the volunteers who worked to make our Halloween Carnival a success. Our thanks to all of the room parents who helped to coordinate booths, Amber Trevino and her Goblins for the great haunted house, all of the parents who volunteered and/or donated items. Thanks to all of the teachers who helped with coupon sales and to Eddie Estrada and his staff.

Winners—8th Grade Cake Decorating Contest

- 1st Place—Sara Iliif
- 2nd Place—Rosie Diaz
- 3rd Place—Rosie Diaz

Booth Winners 2nd-8th Grade

- 1st Place—Mrs. Moore's Homeroom (2B)
- 2nd Place—Ms. Turk's Homeroom (3A)
- 3rd Place—6th Grade, Mrs. Marengo & Mrs. Huth

Booth Winners PK-1st Grade

- 1st Place—Ms. Molesky's Homeroom (1A)
- 2nd Place—Mrs. Chavez' Homeroom (KC)
- 3rd Place—Mrs. Kopecki's Homeroom (PKB)

Extended School Care Outstanding Fees

Extended School Care drop-in fees are part of a parents' financial responsibility when a child is not picked up from school by 3:30. It is not a free service. Details for Extended-School Care are on page 38 in the *Parent-Student Handbook*. Failure to pay Extended-School Care debts will result in the termination of EdLine and the withholding of progress reports until the debt is paid.

Students not registered in the Extended-School Care program are billed as an emergency visitor. Emergency visitors will be charged \$10.00, beginning at 3:30 for the first hour (3:30 – 4:30) or any part of that hour and will pay an additional \$5.00 for any portion of an additional hour. This fee is to be paid at the time the child is picked up. Your prompt payment will be appreciated.

		4	2nd Mad Science session begins	5	Mass, All Saints Day Celebration, led by 1st Gr.	6	Early Dismissal PK-1st: 11:45 2nd-5th: 11:55 6th-8th: 12:00 Teacher Prof. Development	"Coffee Talk" Nov. 6, 8 am —coffee & donuts in the cafeteria. Stay informed of the latest news & get involved with upcoming events.		
		8	9	10	Catholic Student Club Mtg., 3:30-4:30, Rm. 205 PTC Board Mtg., TL, 6:30 p.m.	11	Mad Science <i>Last day cookie dough sales</i> PTC Board Mtg., TL, 6:30 p.m.	12	Mass, led by 7A Scrabble Club-ends at 4:20 p.m.	13



Congratulations Rebels Soccer Team 2009 A.I.A.L. Champs!

Congratulations to the soccer team for winning the championship game last Thursday against St. Gregory the Great and finishing the 2009 season with no losses. Great job!

2nd Gr. Thanksgiving Food Drive

The second grade Thanksgiving liturgy will be celebrated on Thursday, November 19. We are continuing the tradition of donating the offerings for the Thanksgiving food drive. Please follow the guidelines below for your class:

- Pre-K—Canned sweet potatoes and marshmallows
- K—Canned pumpkin and evaporated milk
- 1st—gravy mix or canned gravy
- 2nd—money donated to purchase turkeys
- 3rd—canned green beans
- 4th—instant mashed potatoes
- 5th—stuffing mix
- 6th—cranberry sauce
- 7th—canned corn
- 8th—canned carrots

We are asking the students to bring the items beginning Monday, November 16 through Wednesday, November 18 to their homerooms.

During the offertory at the Thanksgiving liturgy, we will have representatives from each class bring up a few of their donations.

Thank you,
Mrs. Sparks and Mrs. Moore

Coat Drive

St. Luke Girl Scout Troop 973 is having their annual coat drive to benefit the Battered Women's Shelter through Nov. 6th. Coats of all sizes for both girls and boys are needed. Girls from Troop 973 will be on the circle drive side and by the flag pole on the church side of the campus through this Friday (both morning and afternoon) to take your donations. Thank you for your continued support of this very worthy cause.

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Fri., Nov. 13

Order forms for the Chick-fil-A lunch scheduled for Friday, Nov. 13 were sent home last week. Please complete and return the order form by Wednesday, Nov. 11, 3:30 p.m. Orders will not be accepted after this deadline so that children are not kept waiting for additional food to arrive. If paying in cash, please send *exact change* as no change will be given. Payment for multiple orders can be combined in one check. Please submit separate order forms for each child. Thank you.

Chess Club

Chess club for students in grades 5 to 8 will begin Tuesday, Nov. 10 from 3:30-4:15 in Mrs. Sparks' classroom (Rm. 202). Students must have a permission slip from Mrs. Sparks signed by a parent to attend.

**The Book Fair is Coming!!
Save Your Money!!**

The St. Luke Library is having a Book Fair from Monday, November 16th – Friday, November 20th. We will be open from 7:30-4:00 each day, and on Thursday, November 19th we will be open until 6:00. We are also in need of volunteers. If you are able and willing to help, please contact Ms. Mindy Davis at 434-2011 ext. 121 or email at mindy.davis@stlukecatholic.org.

Entertainment Book "Demos"

If you have not yet paid for your "Demo" book, please remit your \$25 payment to the school office as soon as possible. "Demo" books can no longer be returned. Please pay for outstanding "Demo" books in a separate check. Be sure to indicate the child's name, homeroom, and that the payment is for a "Demo" book in your check's memo line. Outstanding "Demo" book obligations will be subject to Edline and report cards being withheld.

Counselor's Corner...

A SPECIAL "THANK YOU"

St. Luke wishes to give a special "thank you" to Mrs. Lisa Holguin and her EXCEL . . . Rise Above the Rest staff for organizing and facilitating Red Ribbon Week activities for all grade levels, for delivering an informative presentation to our middle school students, for sponsoring our Red Ribbon Week T-shirt design contest, and for providing all the specialty items featuring anti-drug messages. This is EXCEL's third year to offer their services, free of charge, to St. Luke during Red Ribbon Week. All our students had an enjoyable and meaningful week. We appreciate all the time you devoted to helping our students get the message: Life is a Gift – Live It Drug Free!

Congratulations to the winners of the Red Ribbon Week T-shirt design contest:

- 1st place – Fabian Aldrete (5B)
- 2nd place – Diana Villarreal (2B)

*19th Annual "Focus on Christmas"
Craft Show*

Food, Fun, and Shopping!

Join us for the Arts & Crafts Show
Thurs., Nov. 19th, 10a.m. to 6p.m.
&

Fri., Nov. 20th, 10a.m. to 5p.m.

With over 40 artisans, there will be plenty of unique Christmas gifts at great prices to kick off your holiday shopping! Come hear St. Luke children sing Christmas carols and enjoy freshly popped kettle corn all day long! Lunch will be available both days beginning at 11:30 a.m., hosted by the St. Luke Guadalupanos. Also, make plans to join us on Thursday, from 12:30-1:00p.m. to hear the nationally recognized Madrigal Singers from Incarnate Word High School! Come win great door prizes or purchase a ticket for a chance to win fantastic raffle prizes! See you there!