



The Light

St. Luke Catholic School



God is our refuge and our strength, an ever-present help in distress.

Ps 46:2

Dear Parents,

We are well into our second quarter of the school year. Our students are to be commended for their efforts and accomplishments. They are making academic progress under the tutelage of our dedicated teachers. They are demonstrating good choices that reflect Christian values. They are learning to be personally responsible for their work at school and for their actions. Without your support, parents, we would not be successful; without your support, your children would not be successful. An extraordinary education requires extraordinary efforts. We must all be willing to embrace that which is required of us, students, teachers, and parents, in order to realize the gifts we have been given.

As the Thanksgiving holiday approaches, it should give us pause to think of how much we have and how much we often take for granted. Many of our families give generously to the many opportunities we provide at school for those in need here in San Antonio and around the world. It is our hope that the opportunities our children have to give to others will raise their awareness of the needs of so many in our local community and globally. Let us all give thanks for the gifts we have been given and for the love of family and friends. It is love that binds people together and endures.

Happy Thanksgiving to all our St. Luke families.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Marcella Salazar
Principal

A look ahead:

- 1. **Second grade Thanksgiving Food Drive** continues through Wed., Nov. 18.
- 2. **Fri., Nov. 20**—Progress reports and deficiency notices go home.

- 3. **Nov. 25 to Nov. 27**—No School, Thanksgiving Holidays.
- 4. **Tues., Dec. 15**—Cookie Dough/Jewelry delivery.

		11 Mad Science <i>Last day cookie dough sales</i> PTC Board Mtg., TL, 6:30 p.m.	12 Mass, led by 7A <i>Scrabble Club</i> -ends at 4:20 p.m.	13 Chick-fil-A PTC Lunch	14	
		15 "Books are Fun" Book Fair in the Library Mon., Nov. 16—Fri., Nov. 20 Hours: 7:30-4:00, Book Fair open until 6:00 p.m. on Thurs.	16	17 School Council Mtg. , 6:30 p.m., TL <i>Basketball @ St. Mary's Fredericksburg</i>	18 Midpoint 2nd Quarter Girls' basketball @ Providence <i>Mad Science</i>	19 Mass, led by 2nd Gr., Thanksgiving <i>Room Parent Mtg.</i> , 6:30 p.m., GCL Basketball vs. Mt. Sacred Heart

Honor Roll
First Quarter 2009-2010
Congratulations!

Blue Honor Roll

Veronica Knisley (8B), Aimee Felices (6A), Thomas Vargas (6A)

Red Honor Roll

6th Grade

Ryan Buehler
 Garrett Cosme
 Nicole Davis
 Patrick Duffy
 Robert Elizondo
 Tamas Ferenczi
 Nikolas Gonzales
 John David Longoria
 Matthew Madrid
 Matteo Mendoza
 Devan McNally
 Aimee Moncada
 Joseph Nava
 Huy Nguyen
 Maria Noack
 Matthew Overton
 Ian Ramos
 Delani Sipila
 Jewel Uzquiano
 Julianna Velasco

7th Grade

Diana Alvarado
 Thomas Andry
 Christina Bracken
 Evan Butz
 Cassandra Cantu
 Aidan Davila
 Ethan Elizondo
 Alec Estrada
 Krystal Garza
 Alina Hilliard
 Sarah Navarro
 Cody Rivera
 Karley Rosales

8th Grade

Christopher Alonzo
 Lana Cosme
 Laura Escamilla
 Andrew Fields
 Arthur Flores
 Gabriel Fragozo
 Bethanie Hernandez
 Stephanie Ke
 Kelly Langford
 Luis Montoto
 Krystal Puente
 Joshua Roach
 Nicholas Rodriguez
 Pia Serrano
 Alexandria Torres
 Matthew Valadez
 Kathryn Zurita

Recipients of citizenship and effort awards will be acknowledged next week.

PTC

Fri., Nov. 13



Order forms for the Chick-fil-A lunch scheduled for Fri., Nov. 13 are due by 3:30 p.m., Wed., Nov. 11. If you miss the order deadline, please remember to pack a sack lunch.

Cookie Dough, Peace & Joy, and Jewelry Catalogs...last day to order: Wednesday, Nov. 11

Thank You for Supporting "Operation Shoebox"

Thank you to everyone who sent in their newspaper wrappers during the month of October. Wrappers will be mailed to "Operation Shoebox" very soon. The plastic wrappers will be used to make stationery packages for soldiers. Veronica Knisley (8B), Cadette Girl Scout

The Book Fair is Coming!!

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

Holy Childhood Fundraiser

St. Luke Catholic School students have shown their gracious spirit once again in raising over \$1,300.00 for the Holy Childhood Association. With the help of the St. Luke Junior Beta Club, each homeroom focused on helping less fortunate children in a particular country. Our St. Luke children took their homeroom country to heart in prayer and generously placed spare change into the homeroom piggy bank.

Counselor's Corner...

POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT EXAMPLES & CAUTIONS FROM LOVE & LOGIC

Love & Logic offers the following advice to parents when reinforcing good behavior and good deeds. The healthiest and most powerful types of positive reinforcement involve time and attention rather than material things. Examples include:

- Saying to your child, "It looks like you really worked hard on that. I bet you're proud of yourself."
- Noticing something your teen has done well and patting him on the back.
- Playing catch, doing a puzzle together, or doing any activity you and your child both enjoy.

As you provide reinforcement, it is wise to remember the following:

- Avoid saying, "You're so smart." Instead, focus on your child's hard work and perseverance.
- Your children should have your love all the time. Love should never be used as a reward or consequence.
- Reinforcement loses its power when your child comes to expect it.
- When your child begs for, or demands, a reward, he shouldn't get it.

The most successful parents always remember that it's their job to give their children the most accurate taste of the real world as possible. This means helping them understand that much of the time hard work and good deeds provide positive results. It also means helping them understand that we do these good things because they're the right thing to do . . . rather than because we expect rewards for doing them.

Congratulations to Gabby Freeman (5B) for placing 3rd in the Red Ribbon Week T-shirt design contest.

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. Outstanding "Demo" book obligations will be subject to Edline and report cards being withheld.

19th Annual "Focus on Christmas" Craft Show

Food, Fun, and Shopping!

Join us for the Arts & Crafts Show on
Thursday, Nov. 19th, from 10:00am - 6:00pm
&
Friday, Nov. 20th, from 10:00am - 5:00pm

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

Arts and Crafts Show St. Luke Student Performance Times

Thurs., Nov. 19

10:45-11:15 5B
11:15-11:45 4B
11:45-12:15 3B
1:00-1:30 2B
1:30-2:00 1B
2:00-2:30 PKA & PKB
2:30-2:55 KA, KB, & KC

Fri., Nov. 20

10:45-11:15 5A
11:15-11:45 4A
11:45-12:15 3A
1:00-1:30 2A
1:30-2:00 1A