



Principal's Thoughts

This past Sunday was Catechetical Sunday. Each year the Church recognizes those who have responded "yes" to the ministry of teaching the faith. These volunteers and catholic school teachers are commissioned and blessed for their work in spreading the Good News and being a witness to the Gospels. The theme for this year is, "This is My Body Given for You." (Lk 22:19) For catechists the message is clear, no matter the age of the student, that the Eucharist is the high point of Christianity and the Mass because Christ is truly present. Eucharist comes from a Greek word meaning thanksgiving and is an action of offering thanks to God. Our children are encouraged each week to attend Mass but they can't do this without you. I know weekends are busy, but as my mother would always say: "you can give just one hour in thanksgiving for all God does for you every minute of each day during the week." Hard to argue with that! Here is a great website to find a Mass anywhere you might be traveling: <https://masstimes.org/> My challenge to you: How many different churches can you visit while you are out of town in one year!

Blessings to all our staff who each and every day teach the catechism of the church, choose to work in a catholic school, are models of faith and encourage our children to know Christ better and speak/listen to Him often.

A Prayer for Catechists (Loyola Press)

*Loving God, Creator of all things,
You call us to be in relationship with you and others.
Thank you for calling our staff to be catechists,
For the opportunity to share with others
What you have given to them.
May all those with whom they share the gift of faith
Discover how you are present in all things.
May they come to know you, the one true God,
And Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.
May the grace of the Holy Spirit guide their hearts and lips,
So that they may remain constant in loving and praising you.
May they be a witness to the Gospel and a minister to your truth.
May all their words and actions reflect your love.
Amen*

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BREAKING NEWS

- **Kids Club Billing Change**
 - All daycare charges will be billed to your FACTS Service Billing account as an incidental fee.
 - The billing cycle will run from the 16th -15th. All fees are due on the 1st of each month.
- **Brainfuse HelpNow**
 - The California State Library is funding Brainfuse HelpNow for all public libraries.
 - "Through the Statewide Online Tutoring Program, all California students will have 24/7 access to live, online tutors for Math and Language Arts fluent in English and Spanish.
 - Live tutors fluent in Mandarin, Cantonese, Vietnamese, and Tagalog are available from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., seven days a week. Additionally, HelpNow features AI translation allowing tutors and students to communicate in nearly any language.
 - Students in California, with or without a library card, will be able to access HelpNow through links on their local library's website or through the State Library's. "
- **Directory**
 - The school directory contains the contact information for each family that gave permission to share this information and is given to each family help facilitate play dates and build community.
 - The Directory will go to print on October 1st.
 - A copy of the Directory will be on the table in front of the office and in Kids Club afterschool, if you would like to check that your information is correct. **All corrections need to be completed by September 26th.**
 - Please initial that you have checked this information.

PACE NEWS

- **Have You Herd the Moos?**
 - The St. Agnes Herd is on the mooove and returning to a location near you!
 - Please consider spreading some love and sending this herd of cows (plastic cut-outs) to the house of a friend, family member, neighbor, a new family to the school or your child's buddy!
 - You can even send milk and cookies for them to enjoy!
 - A flyer has been included in your envelope with further details and instructions on how to order a herd.
 - **Have fun!**



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WHEEL-A-THON!!!!

COUNTDOWN: 1 Day



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<http://clipart-library.com/free/field-trip>

- **WAT is Tomorrow!**
 - Last chance **to raise money to fund our field trips.**
 - Students can participate in the following ways:
 - Secure donations to ride in the event
 - For those who choose not to ride: Secure donations to cheer on classmates during the event.
- **Please Read the Packet**
 - Detailed information has been posted on our website for your review.
- **Drop off & Pickup Adjusted!**
 - **Drop off:** ALL families (including families with a Kinder) will enter the driveway next to the chapel and stop at the field to drop off bikes. You will then resume the typical drop off procedure. Preschool families will use the staff parking lot.
 - **Pickup:** All families (including families with a Kinder) will enter the driveway between the church and Ministry center, make an immediate left in order to drive in front of the chapel and then drive around the church. Bikes will be loaded into your car and when directed, you will pull into our typical 6 lines in front of the school for pickup.
- **Permission:**
 - In order to ride, students will need a signed permission slip, helmet and a bike in good working order.
- **Spectators**
 - Parking will be available in the church parking lot across the street.
 - We ask that you not come to watch if you are not feeling well.

St. Agnes School Mission Statement

St. Agnes School, in partnership with the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Oakland educate children in the Catholic faith and nurture their minds, bodies, and souls, inspiring them to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, achieve their highest academic and creative potential, and actively serve and enrich the community.

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TIME SENSITIVE

- **Scrip Statements Are In!**
 - A scrip statement was included in your envelope last week to show your progress toward the family goal of \$300 in profit for the year. Please review.
- **Don't Forget the Family Handbook**
 - The 2022-2023 Family Handbook is posted on our website for your review under the Parents tab in Resources and Forms.
 - Please read this document carefully and share the information with your children, as it outlines all our policies and procedures.
 - **All** families members must sign the acknowledgement page and return it to the school office and were due September 15th.
- **Annual St. Vincent De Paul Friends of the Poor Walk**
 - Our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society is hosting a walk-a-thon to raise funds for the poor.
 - Please consider participating in this event scheduled for Saturday, September 24th.
 - A flyer has been posted on our website.

Weekly Student Learning Expectation:

1.5 A faith centered person living the Gospel message who is able to practice forgiveness.

	IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS
9/22	• Wheel-a-thon -12 Dismissal
9/23	• No School-Diocesan Elementary Staff Day
9/25	• 26 th Sunday of Ordinary Time Lk 16:19-31
9/26	• 7 th & 8 th Students of to Camp!
9/27	• Spirit Tuesday
10/1	• Work Party 9-1
10/4	• Blessing of the Animals
10/5	• Minimum Day - 12:00 Dismissal