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# Principal's Thoughts

Today we celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph. He has been described as a kind man, a laborer, and the stepfather of Jesus. Little is known about him; it is assumed he died before Jesus became a public figure because there is no mention of him being present when Jesus was crucified. In fact the last reference of St. Joseph in the Bible is when Jesus was separated from his parents at the age of twelve and found teaching in the temple. What we believe about St. Joseph is that he was a just/righteous and faithful man. He obeyed God without question, which is so eloquently stated in "Joseph's Song" written by Michael Card:

Father show me where I fit into this plan of yours How can a man be father to the Son of God Lord for all my life I've been a simple carpenter How can I raise a king? How can I raise a king?

St. Joseph accepted his role as Mary's protector, took her as his wife even though he had considered quietly divorcing her. He was a silent man who is never quoted in the Bible. He does whatever God asks of him, even when that meant giving up all his possessions to leave places that became dangerous for his family. St. Joseph is a wonderful role model for us because of his unquestioning trust and faith in God.

#### BREAKING NEWS

### • Scrip Statements

- A statement for your scrip accounting can be found in your envelope today. All purchases made between May 1, 2024 March 16, 2025 are included.
- Please notice the amount listed in the "total credit" section of the statement. This is the amount you have earned toward your scrip goal of \$300.
- The scrip year ends in **43** days.
- Scrip Close Out Sale
  - On the back of your scrip order form this week, we have listed a few vendors we are closing out of our inventory. When purchasing these cards, you will receive double the profit listed on the form. Be sure to write down your family name so we can give you the credit.
- 40 Cans for Lent?
  - How are you doing on the canned food drive? We have 22 days left for donations.



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Auction



3 Days to Go!

The annual Auction is happening THIS Saturday and I hope you have your tickets. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we are counting on all our families to participate by either attending the event and/or bidding on items. There are a variety of Silent Auction baskets ready to go home with the highest bidder! Sign-up parties are also being offered this year and once again there are many options that you and a group of your closest friends can bid upon. Of special interest to all our families is the Fund-a-Need portion of the evening. This year we are asking families to donate toward a new security system for our campus. During my meeting with a Concord police officer about upgrading our safety measures on our campus, he stated that the most effective way to increase security was to replace our existing cameras with the newest technology and in addition, increase the number of devices. Our hope is to raise enough money to make this happen ASAP. Please know, that if you are not attending the Auction, you still have the opportunity to participate by bidding on the Auctria website. Let's make this a reality St. Agnes, we're counting on you!



### • WCEA Work Day-Calendar Change

• The school will be closed Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup> for a staff WCEA workday. Apologies for any difficulties this may cause.

#### • 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Service Learning Project

- The students are learning about the work of the Contra Costa Humane Society and how this relates to caring for God's creatures (specifically our feline friends.)
- A two-sided flyer has been posted on our website. They will be accepting donations until March 28<sup>th</sup> in order to attend a Kitten Shower on the 30<sup>th</sup>!

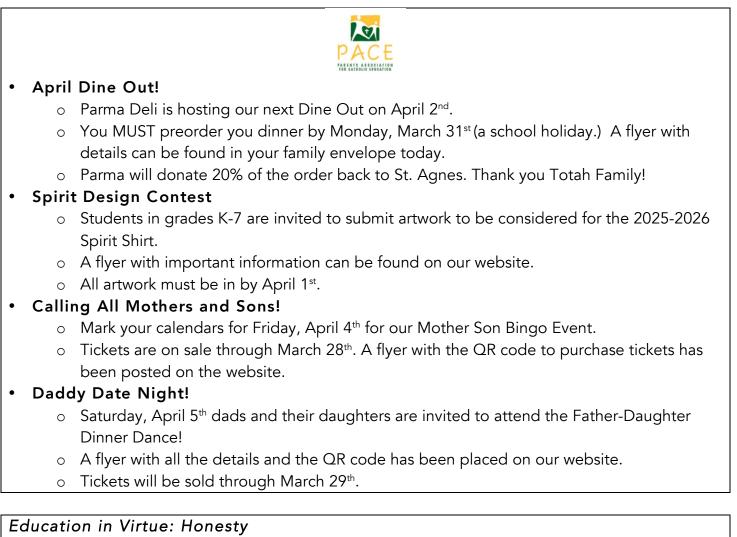
#### • Lenten Resources

- Dynamic Catholic: Best Lent Ever Daily Reflections: <u>https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent.html</u>
- Catholic Relief Services Stories of Hope & Reflections

**Schoolwide Learning Expectation 3.2:** A life-long learner who is able to demonstrate understanding of core curriculum.



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- **Definition**: Sincerity, openness and truthfulness in one's words and actions.
- Related to: the virtue of temperance
- **Scripture:** Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor for we are all members of one body. Eph. 4:25





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	IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS
3/19	Feast of St. Joseph
3/20	Soup for the Soul 6:00pm Church Hall
3/21	• 8:15am Mass (K & 8 <sup>th</sup> )
	• Stations of the Cross - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Gr.
	presenting 2:15 (Formal)
	KOC Fish Fry and Stations of the Cross
3/22	Work Party 9am-1pm
	Auction 5pm
3/23	• 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent (Luke 13:1-9)
3/25	Reconciliation 9am Formal

#### 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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