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# Principal's Thoughts

As we mourn the death of Pope Francis we are called to continue his legacy of treating others with dignity and compassion as well as strengthening our commitment to care for the environment. He was a wonderful model of faith and a favorite of many. Now, we will turn our attention to the process of finding a new pope to lead our church. The Conclave is scheduled to begin on May 7<sup>th</sup>. This will be an interesting time, as we witness the traditions of our faith in finding a successor. This will be the largest and most diverse gathering of bishops in our history. We pray that the Holy Spirit will guide these men to elect a person that will lead with wisdom and grace and will be a beacon of hope for the world.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Amen



### • Dr. Bylund Returns!

- Please mark your calendars for Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm to attend a Zoom presentation by Dr. Bylund and his associate Danielle Morales. They will speak about child and adolescent mental health and the impact social media can have on a child's emotional well-being.
- o You will receive a Zoom link in an email from your child's teacher for this presentation.
- o I hope you will attend to hear the latest information on this very important topic.

# Mandatory Parent Meeting

- o Our annual May Parent Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 14th.
- At least one parent from each household is needed as important information will be shared.
- The staff is preparing a wonderful reception to thank you for all the support you have bestowed upon us this past year.
- The reception will begin at 6:00pm on the Cauchi Hall patio. The meeting will immediately follow in the church at 7pm.
- o We will welcome our new families who will join our community next year!



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#### Student Council News

- Student Council applications for the 2025-2026 school year are available beginning Tuesday, April 29th and are due Tuesday, May 6th.
- o The interview process will take place on Thursday, May 8th. These take the place of the speeches and elections that have occurred in previous years.
- o Incoming 7th and 8th grade students will be eligible to hold officer and commissioner positions and all middle school students are eligible to join the commissions.
- o Class representatives from grades 4-8 will be elected in August.
- o If you are interested in joining us next year please contact a student council moderator, Mr. Sheridan or Mrs. Audas.

## • It's Time to Celebrate, Buy Your Tickets!

- o Join us as we celebrate 60 years of blessings for St. Agnes Parish on Sunday, June 1st.
- o A flyer with details can be found on our website.
- o Mass will be celebrated with Bishop Barber followed by a BBQ from Back Forty!
- o Let us show Bishop Barber that we are a vibrant active community! It's our time to shine!

#### • The 60th Jubilee is in Need of Volunteers

- Different shifts will be available (the event hours are approximately 11-4). Help will include check in, raffle tickets, clean up, etc. You or your Jr. High student will receive hours for the 25/26 school year.
- Please fill out the Sign-Up Genius and the Jubilee committee will be in touch:
   https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050E4CA4A62CA5F85-56103643-

60th



#### Need A Gift?

- Please Sip & Shop with us at Wish in Walnut Creek on Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10am-12pm.
- Wonderful gifts for Mom, Dad or Grads are available and 20% will be donated back to St. Agnes School.



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- o The flyer is on our website with details.
- Parma is Ready for You to Order!
  - o The May Dine Out will take place Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>.
  - o Preorder your dinner OR come in for lunch and Parma will donate 20% back to St. Agnes.
  - o The flyer is on our website with details on ordering. You MUST bring this flyer in when you pick-up your food.

**Schoolwide Learning Expectation 4.3:** An effective communicator is able to cooperate and collaborate with others.

|      | IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS             |
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| 4/30 | Scrip Year Ends Today!                 |
|      | Volunteer Hours Year Ends Today!       |
|      | • 1st Eucharist Practice 6:30pm-7:30pm |
| 5/1  | May Crowning Prayer Service-Formal     |
|      | 9am (Please bring flowers)             |
|      | Scrip Sold 9am-11am                    |
| 5/2  | Scrip Sold 9am-11am                    |
|      | Progress Reports Go Home               |
|      | Egg My Yard Free Dress                 |
| 5/3  | Work Party 9am-1pm                     |
|      | First Holy Communion 5pm Mass          |
| 5/4  | First Holy Communion 11am Mass         |
| 5/6  | Spirit T-Shirt Tuesday                 |
|      | 8 <sup>th</sup> Gr. Retreat            |
| 5/7  | Minimum Day-12:00 Dismissal            |
|      | Joyful Lunch                           |
| 5/8  | School Board Meeting 6:30pm in the     |
|      | Ministry Center                        |

#### 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



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and creative potential, and actively serve and enrich the community.