



SPIRIT WEEK 2005

The school community will be observing Spirit Week on Monday, 28 Nov. through Friday, 2 Dec., a chance to celebrate who we are and recognize all those who make our school special. The week will have different parts, but one spirit.

- 1 During the week, students and teachers will be able to wear the Shirt to school, along with a few fun dress days.
- 2 Students will be asked to sell St. Luke bracelets (\$2.) to show their school spirit and to spread that to their families and the community. After Spirit Week, these bracelets (only one) will be allowed during the school day.
- 3 The school will have an Irish Festival, in honor of our very own Fr. Mike on Friday, December 2, from 6:30-9:30 p.m. in the gym. We will have food (Irish hot dogs, Irish burgers, and Irish French Fries) and many special performers, including our Hip-hop Dance Team, our Strings group, our Cheerleaders and Pep Squad, the Antonian Silver Dancers, and a Pep Band. Admission is free for all wearing a St. Luke Spirit bracelet (or buy your bracelet at the door).

VETERANS' DAY MASS

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

—John 15:12-13



Class 7B invites the school community to the annual Veterans' Day Mass, on Friday, November 11 at 8:15 a.m. All veterans – active, in-active, retired, reserves – are invited to attend. A special blessing and gift will be presented to veterans who attend. Please call Mrs. Jimenez at ext. 188 to leave a message, letting us know you will be attending. Please provide your name, your branch of the service, and whether you are presently serving. Even if you cannot attend, your name will be placed on our banner, and we will offer prayers for you and your family. For those who lost loved ones in the line of duty, we are also asking to remember them on our banner. Again, call and leave a message at ext. 188, and the name will be included and remembered.

Also, in conjunction with this Mass, 7B is commissioning the school to write letters to soldiers overseas. The letters or drawings can be written by any community member, and should be sent in through the homeroom teachers by Friday.



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TUITION RAFFLE

Stop Paying Your Tuition!

(At least for a year... next year that is!)


The School Council will be selling raffle tickets, from 28 Nov. to 18 Dec. for:

**One year's tuition at St. Luke!
Ticket cost: \$20.**

The drawing will be held on Tuesday, December 19. If the winning family has only a graduating 8th grader, the prize can be transferred to a Catholic high school.

See the fine print on the back.

Quick view of school events Week of 9 November and 13 November 2005

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			Scholastic Book Fair			
13 	14 Last Day: PTC Cookie Sale Order forms and all money are due.	15 School Council Mtg., 6:30 p.m.	16 Green & Gold Day for PTC Cookie Dough Sale, 4 or more orders Tom Sawyer pro- duction, AS, 8:20 am, gym Progress reports go home.	17 1st-5th grade sing @ Arts and Crafts Sale (Thurs. and Fri.)	18 AS Mass led by 2A/2B— Thanksgiving Mass PTC Lunch 2:05: dismissal 2:45: fac. mtg. 7th/8th Gr. Fall Dance, 7-10 p.m., café.	19



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ATHLETICS CORNER

Basketball try-outs continue all week. Note, in order to give the cheerleaders a chance to practice one more day before the Holy Cross Competition on Saturday, basketball practice has been cancelled on Friday.

Support your cheerleaders at the Holy Cross Competition, Saturday, at OLLU Gym. The event lasts most all day.

Last Day Scholastic Book Fair

Tomorrow is the last day and tax free day for the Scholastic Book Fair. Parents are welcome to visit the Book Fair at any time. Thursdays hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Father Mike's Christmas Card Contest (grades 3-8)

The deadline to submit entries for Father Mike's annual Christmas Card contest is 2 p.m., Friday, Nov. 11. Please see last week's Light for contest rules.

PTC Column

Chick-fil-A Lunch Day Fri., Nov. 18, 2005



PTC will be sponsoring a Chick Fil-A Lunch on Friday, Nov. 18, 2005. If your child want to order lunch, please complete an order form and return with cash or check by Wed., Nov. 16, 2005. Order forms were sent home today, and are also available on the school website. **Please fill out one order form for each child (payments can be combined in one check).** Extra order forms are available in the school office. Any questions, call Carmen Laborde @ 524-9909.

Second Grade Canned Food Drive

Our second graders are organizing a canned food drive to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Students can bring in their donations Mon., Nov. 14—Thurs., Nov. 17. Each student is being asked to bring one of the following items:



PreK—canned sweet potatoes and marshmallows
K—canned pumpkin & evaporated milk

- 1st—gravy mix or canned gravy*
- 2nd—money donation to buy turkeys*
- 3rd—canned green beans*
- 4th—instant mashed potatoes*
- 5th—stuffing mix*
- 6th—cranberry sauce*
- 7th—canned corn*
- 8th—canned carrots*

Only \$20.

Counselor's Corner...

2006 San Antonio Prefreshman Engineering Program (PREP)

Information and application packets have arrived for the 2006 PREP summer program for interested middle school students. PREP is an eight-week, mathematics-based, academic enrichment program. It emphasizes the development of abstract reasoning and problem-solving skills, and helps students prepare for careers in the fields of math, science, technology, and engineering. The program includes course work, team projects, class presentations, exams, career awareness speakers, field trips, and special events.

The PREP program is presented over the course of three summers and students must reapply each year. The cost is \$300.00 per student. (St. Luke School will not provide funding for students to participate.) Students accepted for PREP will meet Mon.-Fri. from June 12 through July 28, 2006 (except for July 3 and July 4) at one of the hosting university campuses here in San Antonio. Schedules vary by campus, but average five hours of coursework daily, plus homework. A maximum of three excused absences is allowed, for illness or bereavement ONLY.



Middle school students are eligible if they have the interest and potential for careers in math, science, technology, or engineering. Year 1 applicants in grades 6 and 7 must have a 90 average in math and science or English (80 or better if in honors). Year 1 applicants in grade 8 must have an 85 average in math and science or English (80 or better if in honors). All applicants must have satisfactory conduct grades, satisfactory recommendations from two teachers, and must submit an essay. Females and students of minority groups are especially encouraged to apply. Students are responsible for their own lunch and transportation.

Additional information and applications may be obtained by contacting your child's math teacher, the school counseling office, or by visiting the PREP website, www.prep-usa.org. The application deadline for year 1 students is January 31, 2006. Since sites are assigned on a "first-come, first-served" basis, you are encouraged to submit your application early.

TUITION RAFFLE

Contest rules—the fine print

Value of prize to be given away is based on one year's tuition at St. Luke. Value of one year's tuition at St. Luke is approximately \$3,700. Should the winner be a family with only an 8th grader enrolled this year, the prize is applicable to any Catholic High School in the San Antonio Area. Prize is only for the 2006-2007 school year. Winner must be 18 years of age; void where prohibited. School Council members are not eligible. The prize does not have a cash value, only tuition, and is not transferable except in the case listed above.

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