



Prepare a way for the Lord

+ Heavenly Father +

In the wilderness of the Jordan, You sent a messenger to prepare people's hearts for the coming of Your Son. Help me to hear his words and repent of my sins, so that I may clearly see the way to walk, the truth to speak, and the life to live for Him, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen. +



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CONGRATULATIONS, FATHER MIKE ON THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF YOUR ORDINATION

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Come celebrate 25 years with Father Mike at our school Mass on Friday, at the Irish Festival on Friday evening, and at the parish Mass, 5:30, followed by a reception in the Parish Hall.

SPIRIT WEEK

This Friday, we will be celebrating the end of Spirit Week with an Irish Festival. We hope it will be a time of community and celebration. The following are the scheduled times for the celebration:

6:30—7:30 p.m.: Food served in the cafeteria—wear your wristband!

Entertainment in the gym

7:30—7:40: Cheerleaders

7:40—7:50: Pep Squad

7:50—8:00: Band

8:00—8:10: Antonian Silver Dancers

8:15—8:25: Hip-Hop Group #1

8:25—8:35: Hip-Hop Group #2


Face painting in the gym all evening.

Our thanks to all in the community who have supported our Spirit Week activities, especially our students. A few reminders:

St. Luke wristbands will be sold at a cost of \$2.00 per band. Students may wear them all week and may wear 1 daily for the remainder of the school year if they'd like. A wristband will gain you admittance to the Irish Festival and allow you to eat, drink, and celebrate at no cost.

A full year's tuition for \$20!!

Don't miss your chance at the Tuition Raffle. The tickets are only \$20. & will continue to be sold until 9 Dec. Winner will be announced on 14 Dec.

Quick view of school events Week of 30 November and 4 December 2005			30 Spirit Week— Crazy Hat Day Donut Sale in lunch	1 Spirit Week— College Day	2 Spirit Week— Spirit Day Mass led by 3A/3B 2:05: dismissal 2:45: fac. mtg. Pep Rally, 1:10-1:30 p.m. Spirit Week festival, 6:30 p.m., gym/café	3 FATHER MIKE'S 25th Anniversary Party, PH, 6:30
4 	5 AS Advent Prayer Ser- vice, 8:15, PH led by 2A/2B	6 BSKB @ Holy Spirit, 4:30-7:30	7 BSKB Home vs. SAA, boys only	8 AS Mass Feast of the Im- maculate Con- ception led by 5A BSKB Home vs. St. Pius, 4:30- 7:30	9 2:05: dismissal 2:45: fac. mtg. BSKB A Boys @ Holy Spirit Tourney LAST DAY FOR TUI- TION RAFFLE	10 SATURDAY SCHOOL, 8-11 a.m. BSKB A Boys @ Holy Spirit Tour- ney



ATHLETICS CORNER

Basketball News

Congratulations to our basketball teams for success in the opening games of the year. The A Boys, A Girls, and B Girls all won on Monday against Mount Sacred Heart.

Check out our athletics web site for the full game and practice schedule.

Support your Rebels.

GO! KIDS! CHALLENGE!

Just a reminder that this Sunday is the celebration at the Alamo dome for the Go! Kids Challenge from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. There were over 100 families that sent in the forms stating they would be attending. Due to the large number representing St Luke, we thought it would be nice if the new spirit shirt was worn by those in attendance. If you have any questions about the victory lap and fitness fair please go to the website at www.gokidschallenge.com or call Coach Littlefield-Stone at ext 173.

PTC Column

Cookie Sale Prize Winners

PTC thanks all the families who participated in the Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Sale. It was a BIG success. Over 2400 tubs were sold!!! Delivery date will be announced next week.

Top selling students

Target Gift Card

PK-1st Dominic Muniz (KB)
2nd-5th Pia Serrano (4B)
6th-8th Teresa Browning (6A)

Top Selling Classrooms

Pizza Party

PreK-B, 4B and 6A

Overall Top Sellers

Portable DVD Player

Pia Serrano and Teresa Browning (tied with 55 items)

Overall Top Selling Family

Outback Steakhouse gift card

Browning Family (Teresa 6A & Walter 4A)

Teacher of overall top selling classroom

Mall gift card

Mrs. Sparks-4B

Classroom with highest participation

Doughnuts at Lunch

PreK-B

News and Reminders...

...Congratulations to Carina Calderon (8A) winner of Father Mike's Christmas Card contest.

Coat Policy

One of the hallmarks of St. Luke Catholic School is a sharp dress code. We have always had a rule allowing only St. Luke uniform sweatshirts and jackets. When the weather does get really cold, below 40°, we have allowed students to wear heavier winter jackets into the school for health reasons. Students place them in their lockers or hang them up in the classroom, but wear the SLCS sweatshirt during the day.

Spirit Week remainders

Thursday: COLLEGE DAY

Wear a jersey or t-shirt representing your favorite college team. Team top may be worn with uniform pants or jeans.

Friday: All students are invited and encouraged to wear the uniform of the school-sponsored organization they belong to. Whether it's girl scouts, boy scouts, golf team, cheerleaders, pep squad, or a CYO basketball team wear your uniform and show your school pride!!

Counselor's Corner...

BOOST YOUR CHILD'S SELF-ESTEEM AND INDEPENDENCE

When you ask kindergarten teachers what succeeds best in school, chances are they'll say, "A child who believes he can learn...and one who is eager to get started." You can help build that positive attitude in your child. Here are some suggestions:

Expect your child to succeed in school. One study of children found that children work harder in school when their parents expect more, and relax when their parents expect less.

Give your child challenges she can master. Help her to learn to climb the steps to the playground slide. Teach her to button her own clothing. Help her learn to ride a bike. Each of these skills will boost her confidence. Be sure to praise her as she meets each new challenge.

Let your child make choices. If he's very young, it may mean letting him choose whether he wants his sandwich cut in squares or in triangles. When he's older you can say, "Do you want to have your bath first or pick up your toys?" When you offer him a choice, you're letting him know you have confidence in him.

Hug your child and tell her you love her. Your love will give her the confidence to go out into the world and succeed.

(Source: The Parent Institute)

SPiRiT WEeK

We'll be observing Spirit Week from
Monday, November 28 – Friday, December 2, 2005.

Here's what we have planned!!!

Monday: We're kicking-off with **SPiRiT DAY!** Students may wear their Spirit Week T-shirt with uniform pants, skirts, or jeans. During all lunch periods, students will receive a treat in the cafeteria. There'll be a pot-of-gold waiting for you! Also, your class will be participating in a door-decorating contest. Theme will be: "An Irish Christmas." Judging will take place on Thursday and winner will be announced on Friday evening at the Irish Festival. St. Luke wristbands may be worn all week.

Tuesday: **Twins Day** - Am I seeing double?? All students are invited to double-up! Choose a friend (or three or four) and dress alike. Please remember that all attire should be appropriate. Please do not wear cut-offs, low-cut or sleeveless shirts and blouses, etc.

Wednesday: **Crazy hat day!** Whether it be a ten-gallon hat, your favorite baseball cap, a leprechaun's hat or your mother's straw hat.....wear it!!! Don't be shy, we're all crazy for showing our spirit! Our Spirit Week parents will be hosting a donut sale during all lunch periods so bring your dollar.

Thursday: **Have a favorite college team?** Whether it's Stanford, Notre Dame, UT Longhorns, or yes, even the Aggies, wear a jersey or t-shirt representing your favorite college team. Team top may be worn with uniform pants or jeans. (Remember, decorated doors will be judged today!)

Friday: We're wrapping it up! All students are invited and encouraged to wear the uniform of the school-sponsored organization they belong to. Whether it's girl scouts, boy scouts, golf team, cheerleaders, pep squad, or a CYO basketball team wear your uniform and show your school pride!! **Pep rally:** Our students will gather in the gym for a pep rally and will compete for the spirit stick. **GET LOUD!!!** Our 8th graders will be performing the skit they've prepared especially for this event.

Friday evening: **Let's celebrate with an Irish Festival!!!** Along with finding out who the winner of the door decorating contest is, we'll have hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, and drinks. All is free just for wearing your St. Luke wrist band. **Entertainment you ask??** Here's who we have lined up. Our very own St. Luke Hip-Hop Dance Team and Strings group, St. Luke cheerleaders and pep squad, the Antonian Silver Dancers, Irish Dancers, St. Luke band, and a special performance by the 8th graders.

NOTE: Students will be allowed to wear their Spirit Week shirt all week. Students not wishing to participate on any event day may wear full uniform. T-shirts can still be purchased for \$10.00 each. All checks for raffle tickets, wristbands, and T-shirts should be made payable to St. Luke Catholic School.

Wristbands: St. Luke wristbands will be sold at a cost of \$2.00 per band. Students may wear them all week and may wear 1 daily for the remainder of the school year if they'd like. A wristband will gain you admittance to the Irish Festival and allow you to eat, drink, and celebrate at no cost.

Tuition Raffle Tickets: Raffle tickets will be sold during this week for \$20.00 and will continue to be sold until December 9, 2005. Winner will be announced on December 14.

GOOD LUCK!!