



## Our Faculty and Staff ... Our light!

Last Friday morning, St. Luke celebrated the annual Faculty and Staff Appreciation Mass, honoring all the great people who make St. Luke great. Students brought flowers for the faculty and staff, and the PTC presented gifts. The theme of light reminds us how much our teachers and staff do for us each day, helping us to follow the light of Christ in our lives.



Almanza, Albert  
Alvarado, Gloria  
Brahm, Stacey  
Bukala, Susan  
Burkholder, Margo  
Calderon, Dora  
Cantu, Mary  
Carey, Jeanne  
Chavez, Patricia  
Dannhardt, Julie  
Davila, Rose  
Davis, Mindy  
Escamilla, Zeke  
Eddy, Barbara

Eisenhauer, Pat  
Estrada, Edward  
Flores, Linda  
Funari, Charles  
Garcia, Norma  
Garza, Geneva  
Gilmore, Danna  
Gloria, Christina  
Gutierrez, Sarah  
Gutierrez, Theresa  
Guevara, Thelma  
Hinojosa, Laurie  
Huth, Rosemary  
Iloff, Andrew

Jimenez, Mary Lou  
Kopacsi, Lisa  
Kopecki, Jean  
Lomas, Carolyn  
Maldonado, Flo  
Marenco, Virginia  
Martinez, Joe  
Martinez, Cynthia  
McClintock, Michael  
Molesky, Ceil  
Moore, Rose  
Noriega, Linda  
Quintero, Maggie  
Ramirez, Yolanda


Reyes, Delia  
Rico, Melissa  
Rodriguez, Debbie  
Rodriguez, Sandra  
Rush, Elizabeth  
Sanchez, Magaly  
Sparks, Margaret  
Stone, Cheryl  
Tamayo, Tony  
Thompson, Carla  
Tingle, Lisa  
Turk, Mary  
Villarreal, Gloria  
Valadez, Lupe



**Reminder!**  
**Internet Safety Presentation**  
Wednesday, Feb. 15  
7:15 p.m. — 8:15 p.m.  
**St. Luke Parish Hall**  
Lt. Segura from the SAPD will share ideas on how to help children use the internet safely.

**Reminder!!!!**  
*Early Bird Tickets went on sale January 25, \$65 per couple or \$35 single, and runs through February 13th.*  
*Don't miss out!*  
**BLACKJACK ♠ ♣ ♠ ♣ ♠ ♣ ♠ ♣ ♠ ♣ ♠ ♣ ♠ ♣ 2006**

**Note!**  
*The hooded sweatshirts sold this month are not a replacement for the green sweatshirts. Students can wear the hoodie on green and gold days, and when it is cold outside, it can be worn to and from school.*

<p><b>Quick view of school events</b> <b>Week of 8 February and 12 February 2006</b></p>		<p>8 <del>PTC Board Mtg. 6:00 pm, TL</del> <b>Cancelled</b> AIAL Tourney A Girls, 7:30 A Boys, 8:30</p>	<p>9 AIAL Tournament</p>	<p>10 AS Mass led by 4A/4B 2:05: dismissal 2:45: fac. mtg.  AIAL Tournament</p>	<p>11 Golf practice 10 a.m.—Noon  AIAL Tournament</p>	
<p>12 </p>	<p>13 Registration-Parishioners of more than 1 yr., 8 am, school office</p>	<p>14 School Council, 6:30, TL</p>	<p>15 8th Gr. Grad. Photos, PH  Internet Safety Presentation, 7:15, PH</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 <b>No School</b> <b>Teacher Professional Development workshop hosted at St. Luke</b></p>	<p>18 Golf practice 10 a.m.—Noon</p>



## ATHLETICS CORNER

Congratulations to the B Girls and B Boys Basketball teams, who finished their seasons last week. We are proud of your efforts and all the successes of the year.

Good luck to the A teams who both made the playoffs. The A Girls play Holy Spirit at 7:30 tonight, and the A Boys play St. Pius X at 8:30. All the games are being played at the Central Catholic gym. If the teams win, the semi-finals for the girls are at 7:30 on Thursday, and the boys' semi-final is at 6:30.

## CSW Spelling Bee

Congratulations to the following students who qualified for the all-school Spelling Bee. **Grade 5:** Alexis Baldas, Brandy Collier, Sami Frausto, Anthony Gallardo, Alec Garcia, Phillip Martinez, Erica Ramos, Bobby Trevino. **Grade 6:** Gracie Baez-Chavez, Teresa Browning, Brandon Hernandez, Charles Nystrom, Lorena Rodriguez, Marco Rodriguez, Zachary Solcher, Ben Stites. **Grade 7:** Jenny Andry, Michael Collier, Alexa Felices, Gabriel Grimes, Vincent Keller, Eddie Kolbinskie, Eric Lopez, Viviana Martinez. **Grade 8:** Tina Andry, Carina Calderon, Phillip Ericksen, Alyssa Hagen, Samantha Hamilton, Christina Ibarra, Daniel Rivera, Megan Smith.

And congratulations to **Alex Felicies** of 7B, our school-wide winner, and **Phillip Martinez** of 5A, our school-wide runner-up. The winning word was "illusionist." E-x-c-e-l-l-e-n-t.

## St. Luke Catholic School San Antonio, Texas

### *A Note from the Principal*

Dear St. Luke Catholic School Families:

We would like to announce the results of the survey sent out two weeks ago, gauging interest in a summer extended day program. Over one hundred families expressed a need for this type of service. Given this level of support, Father Mike has instructed the school to make every attempt to offer a summer extended day program this summer. We are in the process of getting the approval from the state and the accrediting organizations. Barring any unforeseen hurdle, we will announce in the 15 February (next week's) St. Luke Light the specifics of the program and costs associated. To guarantee enrollment, families will need to return forms and fees in a timely fashion.

This is an exciting time in our parish, as we begin a capital campaign to build a parish life center and to expand and improve our church building. We are pleased to announce that the campaign has hit the ground running and has already, in the first two days, been successful in moving toward the goal of \$4 million. Posted in the main school hallway are two architectural renderings of the proposed buildings. The life center would include two full basketball courts and, once complete, a fully renovated playground. Be sure to stop by to check out what is coming! More information about the capital campaign is coming at Mass in the near future and in the St. Luke Light.

Yours in Christ,  
Andrew Iliff



## Counselor's Corner

### Lessening the Stress of Grade Reports

Many adults remember report card time as being a stressful time during their childhood. They remember their parents yelling and recall being punished. They also remember feeling like a failure.

It does not have to be this way when grade reports come home. To keep grade reports from being a source of stress, the following guidelines are suggested by the National PTA:

**Don't be surprised.** Talk with your child about her progress in school throughout each grading period.

**Talk with your child calmly about each grade.** What does she think should be done to improve it?

**Remember** - report cards reflect what has already happened. The past can't be changed.

**Don't just focus on problem areas.** Even if your child's report card isn't as good as you'd like, look for something positive. Comment on a raised grade or a teacher's comment about how hard your child is working.

**Focus on the future.** Use a poor grade as a platform for change.

**Write up a plan.** Sit down calmly and discuss what your child can do to improve his grades.

**Put report cards in perspective.** They measure how students are doing in school. They don't measure a student's worth as an individual, nor do they judge your success as a parent.