



# The Light

St. Luke Catholic School



DURING THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT:

*Let me fast from self-concern and feast on compassion for others.*

Dear Parents,

We are now in the fourth quarter of the school year. Every quarter is a new beginning for our students. Let us all assist our children in remaining focused on their school work; let's encourage them to fulfill all their responsibilities well; and, to make good choices socially, to be good to each other. I reiterate the three main goals of St. Luke Catholic School: to teach and model for our students our Catholic faith and all its moral teachings; to maintain high academic standards for all; and, to nurture in our students personal responsibility. In the pursuit of these things, our children will be successful in every endeavor and realize the gifts that our heavenly Father has given them.

To assist the administration and faculty in achieving these goals, please continue to support St. Luke policies and practices. Bring your children to school on time; provide a good working environment for them at home; overtly express an interest in their school work, our Catholic faith, and their friends. Be sure they remain focused during this season as it is easy to be distracted by the sights and sounds of spring.

The administration, faculty, and staff of St. Luke School wish all our families a peace-filled and meaningful Holy Week. We are all so grateful to be a part of the St. Luke School Community.

Blessings to all,  
Marcella Salazar  
Principal

## Honors Reception for Middle School

The Honors Assembly for our middle school students is scheduled for Tuesday, March 30, 2:15. (It is scheduled in the afternoon due to standardized testing in the morning.) A reception for recipients of awards will be held on Wednesday, March 31, 8:15, in the cafeteria. Parents are invited.

## Blessed Palms

"As we near the end of Lent, we celebrate Passion (Palm) Sunday. At the beginning of the liturgy, we receive palms in memory of Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. As a symbol of triumph, the palms point us toward Christ's resurrection and might remind us of the saints in heaven 'wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands' (Rev 7:9). The white robes remind us of baptismal garments, and the palms suggest their triumph over sin and death through the waters of baptism."

[www.catholic.org/clife/lent/faq.php](http://www.catholic.org/clife/lent/faq.php)



The remaining balance of the registration fee is due by 3:30 p.m.,  
Wednesday, March 31, 2010.

Monday, April 5—No School, Easter Monday  
Friday, April 23—No School, Battle of Flowers  
Monday, April 26—No School, Teacher Prof. Dev.

		24 <b>Homeroom Group Photos, PK-7th Gr., morning</b> Tennis vs. St. Gregory <i>Mad Science</i>	25 Mass, led by Music Ministry  <i>Scrabble Club-ends at 4:20 p.m.</i>	26 <i>Stations of the Cross led by Beta Club</i> <b>Living Stations of the Cross for Parish, 7:00 p.m.</b> Church, 7th Gr. <i>Report cards go home</i>	Testing begins for Gr. 1-5 on <b>Fri., March 26</b>  March 27th AIAL Track Meet in Fredericksburg	
28 <b>Palm Sunday</b>	29 Tennis vs. Holy Spirit	30 <b>Middle Sch. Honors Ceremony 2:15 p.m., PH</b> Softball vs. St. Monica <i>Mad Science</i>	31 <b>Honors Reception, 8:15, café</b> Softball/Baseball @ St. Matthew <i>Mad Science</i> REGISTRATION FEE BALANCE DUE BY 3:30 PM	April 1 <b>HOLY THURSDAY NOON DISMISSAL</b> <i>Living Stations of the Cross, 11 a.m.</i> <b>No after school care</b>	2 <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> <b>NO SCHOOL</b>	3

Standardized Testing, Grades 1-8



**Summer Sports Camps**

Look for information on Summer Sports Camps in the coming weeks.

**AIAL Track Meet**

The AIAL track meet will be held this Saturday, March 27 in Fredericksburg. Permission slips are due to Coach Loza by Thursday, March 25.

**Standardized Testing**

Standardized testing for grades 1-8 has begun and will be administered every morning through April 8.

In order for our students to perform their best on these tests, we ask that all parents follow these guidelines:

- Students should get plenty of sleep the night before.
- Children should have a good breakfast.
- Testing will begin first thing in the morning when children are fresh and alert.
- **Students must arrive to school on time.** Students who arrive late will not be permitted in the classroom until testing has concluded.
- If at all possible, absences should be avoided.
- Make up tests will only be given as schedules of students and proctors permit.
- Stress the importance of these tests with your children but do not overstate it as too much stress is counterproductive.

Thank you for your continued support. We are confident that our children will perform well.

**REPORT CARDS DISTRIBUTION**

Tuition accounts, after school care, and tardy fines must be up to date in order for report cards to be distributed on Friday, March 26. Please contact the school office if you have any questions regarding your accounts.

**Summer Extended Day Program**

Included in today's Wednesday communications is information and a registration form for the Summer Extended Day Program. Details on registration deadlines and applicable fees are listed on the registration information.

**Fiesta Finale Medals**

If you ordered Fiesta Finale Medals, they will be sent home with the oldest child in the family.

**Catholic Life Sweepstakes**

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Catholic Life Sweepstakes ticket sales. Isabel DeLaPena led the school with the most ticket sales and was the recipient of a \$50.00 gift card to Wal-Mart. The following students received a certificate along with two movie passes provided by Santikos for their ticket sales: Isabel DeLaPena (2), Aimee Felices, Jonnette Vidola, Elijah Zamora, Albert Wylie, Ari Rodriguez, Raymond Ramirez, Olivia Meza, Max Iliff, Matthew Hernandez, Nicolas Gonzales, Jessica Frausto, Jacob Avina, Kaitlynn Andrews, and Adrian Valdez.

If you sold tickets for the Sweepstakes, your tuition account has been credited. If you have any questions regarding the amount of your credit, please contact Mrs. Calderon in the school office at ext. 126.

**Reminders!**

- **Deadline to order 8th gr. graduation photos, Friday, March 26.**
- **No after— school care after noon dismissal on Holy Thursday, April 1.**
- **8th grade scholarship applications due by 3:30 p.m., on Wed., April 7, no exceptions**

**ST. LUKE SUMMER SCIENCE CAMPS**

Mrs. Hinojosa (Mrs. "H") will offer the following science camps this summer on the St. Luke School campus:

- June 14-18: *"Cool" Chemistry* - for students currently in gr. 2 – 5.
- June 28-July 2: *The Amazing Body: Activities & Dissections* - for students currently in grades 5-8.
- July 5-9: *Growing Up Wild* - for students currently in grades K & 1.

Camps will be limited to 20 students each. Look for camp flyers and registration forms in today's Wednesday envelope. For additional information, contact Mrs. Hinojosa @ 434-2011, x128.

**Talent Show 2010**

Get your act together for this year's Talent Show. The 2010 Talent Show will take place on Thursday, May 13 at 1:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Talent Show audition applications were sent home last week and are due back to the school office no later than **12:00 p.m., Thursday, April 1.**

**Hope for the Future Tuition Assistance**

For more information on tuition assistance through the Archdiocese of San Antonio's Hope for the Future Program, visit their website at [www.hopeforfuture.org](http://www.hopeforfuture.org) or call their office at 734.1963. Please note that the deadline to apply is Wednesday, April 7. You must apply on line through the Hope for the Future website; mailed applications will not be accepted.

