

*The Christian family is a communion of persons, a sign and image of the communion of the Father and the Son in the Holy Spirit.*  
*Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2205*

**St. Veronica Catholic School  
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**Calendar Review**

Friday, September 25 Free Dress if you wear either the Festival T-Shirt or the Car Show Shirt  
 12:30 p.m. dismissal **NO P.M. EXTENDED CARE**  
**Please plan accordingly!**  
 Parish Festival 5:30 – 10:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 26 Parish Festival 11:00-10:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 27 Parish Festival 12:00-6:00 p.m.

Monday, September 28 **NO SCHOOL – LOCAL HOLIDAY**

Tuesday, September 29 **FREE DRESS IF YOU CAME TO THE FESTIVAL**  
 Homework Club begins

Friday, October 2 First Friday – 8:30 a.m. mass **FULL DRESS**  
 Bible Ceremony for Grade 4  
 Dance – Grades Seven and Eight – Good Shepherd

Monday, October 5 First Quarter Progress Reports issued

Tuesday, October 6 Fire Prevention Assembly

Wednesday, October 7 Look for the QSP/Reader’s Digest Gift Wrap  
 Catalogs in your envelope (Please remember that this is a Men’s Club Fundraiser)

**Dates to Remember**

October 11 Blood Centers of the Pacific  
 Blood Drive

October 17 Aluminum Can Drive – Support  
 our 2009-2010 Cheer Squad  
 (continues on Sunday)

October 18 School Guild Craft Fair

October 24 Santini Golf Tournament

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**BINGO SCHEDULE**

**WORKERS MUST ARRIVE BY 6:00 p.m. BINGO NOW STARTS AT 7:00 p.m.**

Wednesday, September 23	Wednesday, September 30	Wednesday, October 7	Wednesday, October 14
Dabai, Ledesma, Reynoso, Cole, Marsh, Suarez, Mott	Fifth Wednesday Please call Dave if you would like to help.	Adao, Schirmer, Bonnin, Mendoza, Hoang, West/Parras	Avelar, Guitierrez, Mitchell, Bosch, Fontenot, O’Reilly

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As some of you may have heard, there was an incident at the St. Robert Festival which is a goods heads up for us. There were no injuries or harm to children, but a suspicious man did initiate a conversation with some students and led them to believe that he was a paramedic who worked at the school. When the man was confronted by a school employee who just happened to come across the students, the man left school grounds. The San Bruno Police working security at the festival were called in to deal with the incident, but the man was not located.

Lesson to be learned – talk to your children about safety at the festival and what they should do when they feel uncomfortable in the presence of an adult. Speak to him/her about what to do if something like this were to happen to him/her. Set up check in times for the older ones, keep the younger ones with you, and **LET’S KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR ALL THE CHILDREN.** If anything appears out of the ordinary or suspicious, call upon South San Francisco’s finest who will be working security at the festival.

**IMPORTANT  
 Festival News**

**LIGHTS – LIGHTS – LIGHTS**

We still need those LIGHTS! If you have clear/white outside Christmas lights, please bring them in as soon as possible. The decorating posse started today!

**AROUND THE CHURCH**

Please remember that the morning drop-off loop goes **around the Church**. We do not drive into the upper parking lot for the safety of the children coming down. Please inform all those who do drop-off for you.

**Please Plan Accordingly**  
*There is no afternoon Extended Care this Friday. Please pick up your child/ren at dismissal which is at 12:30 p.m. Thank you.*

**Fall Pictures**

Today you should have received your Fall Pictures. Enjoy! If by chance you are not happy with the pictures, PLEASE KEEP THE ENVELOPE IN ITS ENTIRETY FOR MAKE-UP DAY SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20. You can reorder pictures on that day.

**Do You Want to Teach?**

*Thank you to the many parents who joined us for our celebration of Catechetical Sunday! Maybe it inspired one or two of you to share the experience of your faith with the young ones! If you would like to explore the possibility of becoming a catechist or if you have a high school student who would like to aid in the classroom, there is a spot for you. Please contact Michele Evans in the Religious Education Office (871-5607) for more details.*

**Go to the Festival – Enjoy FREE DRESS on Tuesday, September 29!**  
**Remember – no school on Monday!**

**Last Minute Festival Check- Off List**

- DINNER RESERVATION**
- RESERVATION FOR DINNER**
- SODA BOTTLES**
- HOURS OF SERVICE**
- SPOKE TO MY CHILD ABOUT SAFETY**
- MADE MYSELF AVAILABLE TO DO WHATEVER – WHENEVER**
- CALLED A CHAIR I KNEW TO OFFER TO WORK MORE HOURS**
- STOPPED AT THE ATM**
- SUNBLOCK AND SMILES**

**Few More Hours** As some of you may have noticed, the Kid’s Games were left off of the online Festival Sign-up list. The faculty and I are committed to working that booth, but with four people needed for every shift, we cannot possibly fill all the slots. **IS THERE ANYONE WHO CAN HELP AND SIGN UP FOR A FEW HOURS?** Please call Louis or Anna Martinez if you are available (992-0986).

**Ms. Pallitto’s Annual Speech about Festival Fun**

As many of you know, the Parish Festival is a fun-raiser and a very important fundraiser for the Parish and School. It is an event that enters the planning stage as soon as the previous one ends. Many parents have been working all summer – all year – for the success of our festival. It is a proud moment for the Parish and our community to be able to manage, to coordinate, and to run such an endeavor. It truly is a testimony of the parish community here at St. Veronica.

So, as you enjoy your time, and if by chance you do socialize in the bar or have a beer or two down at the Car Show on Saturday, let us remember that alcohol cannot be outside of those two designated areas. If you see someone walking around with a drink, please ask them to return to those areas where alcohol is to remain (in the bar and down at the Car Show on Saturday). And, of course, as I say every year, let us look out for each other. I realize we reach exhaustion before we even arrive at enjoying the festival, but we do not want to do anything to hurt our loved ones or our community. Excessive drinking has no place at the Parish Festival. Let us not allow our friends to drive under the influence for their own safety and the safety of those whom they may have in the car. And finally, Mr. Jensen needs all the room he can get in the yard for the many cars in the Car Show on Saturday, please, no overnight parking in the yard.

*Thank you for listening and for allowing me to say all this.  
I am blessed to be here and want to enjoy the next few days with you.  
Let’s have a great SHOWDOWN AT THE SV CORRAL!*