

**I am the Alpha and the Omega!  
The one who is and who was and  
who is to come, the almighty !  
Rev. 1:8**

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

- Wednesday, November 18      Basketball Evaluations – Boys
- Thursday, November 19      School Advisory Board – 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, November 23      Yes – it is a 3:00 p.m. dismissal
- Tuesday, November 24      Last Day for the Student Council  
Can Drive!  
National Geographic Geography Bee  
1:00 p.m. – Parish Center
- Wednesday, November 25      FREE DRESS (but, please remember that  
we are going to mass at 8:30 a.m.)  
12:30 p.m. dismissal – NO P.M.  
EXTENDED CARE – PLEASE PLAN  
ACCORDINGLY
- Thursday, November 26      Happy Thanksgiving! 9:00 a.m. mass
- Sunday, November 29      Happy Advent! First Sunday of Advent
- Wednesday, December 2      Scholastic Book Fair opens  
8:30-4:30 Parish Center
- Thursday, December 3      Men’s Club Meeting  
Scholastic Book Fair (8:30-4:30)
- Friday, December 4      FULL DRESS – First Friday Mass – 8:30 a.m.  
Toy Drive Collection at Mass  
Book Fair (8:30-3:00/6:30-8:30 – Story Hour)  
OLA Winter Dance – Grades 7and 8
- Sunday, December 6      School Guild Presents “Breakfast with Santa”  
Book Fair (9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)
- Tuesday, December 8      FULL DRESS Holy Day of Obligation  
*Immaculate Conception – 9:30 a.m. mass*
- Monday, December 14      Second Quarter Progress Reports issued
- Tuesday, December 15      Christmas Program – 6:30 p.m.
- Friday, December 18      12:30 p.m. dismissal – NO P.M.  
EXTENDED CARE

*Christmas Vacation – Classes Resume – Monday, January 4, 2010, 12:30 p.m. dismissal*  
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***BINGO SCHEDULE***

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

<i>Wednesday, November 18</i>	<i>Wednesday, November 25</i>	<i>Wednesday, December 2</i>	<i>Wednesday, December 9</i>
<i>Campbell, Ponce, Agler, Castro, Harper, Wilson</i>	<i>No Bingo</i>	<i>Adao, Schirmer, Bonnin, Mendoza, West/Parras</i>	<i>Avelar, Gutierrez, Mitchell, Bosch, Fontenot, O’Reilly</i>

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***NOTE – DO NOT LOOK FOR AN ENVELOPE NEXT WEEK.  
WE WILL SEND HOME A FLYER ON TUESDAY!***

### **Making Liturgy Special**

*Thank you so much to our faithful altar servers and their families. Please remember that your service is invaluable and your presence every Sunday is a wonderful blessing for our entire Parish Community. It is really important that you find a substitute if you cannot serve when assigned. Seventh and eighth graders – this is very important for you because often you are paired with a younger student who is learning. Your guidance is so important and our sixth graders are gaining confidence and efficiency serving with you. Keep it up!*

*Thank you so much to the angelic voices of our Children's Choir! Your energy and song brighten every celebration. Sing on and let your heart continue to sing the praises of God as we sing with you – the first Sunday of December is coming soon!*

*Thank you to our seventh and eighth grade families for launching the third Sunday into a liturgical celebration of family. Our family of faith seems to become stronger and stronger as we share in the banquet of the Lord. Grade 6 – you're on for the third Sunday in December!*

*Thank you to our music director, cantor, guitarists, bass players, and drummer for enhancing our music and adding much enthusiasm and toe-tapping beats to our prayer. We are forever grateful!*

*Just a heads up to some modifications given by our Archbishop, George Niederauer, during the flu season:*

- *All communicants are encouraged to receive Holy Communion in the hand.*
- *The Sign of Peace should be offered without shaking hands.*
- *The faithful are asked to refrain from holding hands during the Lord's Prayer.*
- *And, just like with school, if you are ill, please remain at home. The mass is broadcast each Sunday morning at 6:00 a.m. (Channel 20 or 13 and Channel 26 or 8 – depending on your cable)*

*Let's remember that as a Catholic school community our existence can never be separated from the life of our Parish and ... the life of our Parish will always be central to our existence!*

**Making Plans** This Sunday we celebrate our Lord Jesus Christ the King (the 34<sup>th</sup> Sunday or last Sunday in ordinary time). The Church is about to begin a new liturgical year with the season of Advent. We are already mapping out the holidays and beginning to prepare for vacation. Have you thought of what you might do to prepare your heart? Is your Advent Wreath ready? If you have made plans and are thinking of participating in the Simbang Gabi Novena with your family and you have a child who is an altar server and would like to serve, please call the Rectory and let them know. Simbang Gabi masses are at 6:30 p.m.

Thank you!

### **LAST CALL**

**THIS IS ABSOLUTELY THE LAST CALL** for Festival receipts. We would very much like to close the books on the 2009 Showdown at SV Corral! Please send in all receipts by November 25.

**One Reminder** – *If your child is absent for whatever reason, upon his/her return to school, we need a note stating the reason for the absence and the dates with your signature. I realize sometimes you send it in beforehand, but it is required that a note come with the child upon his/her return to schools. Thank you.*

**Falcons Flying High!** Congratulations to our volleyball teams who represented us so well in the North-South Playoff Championships. And, in a special way, hats off to our Eighth Grade Varsity Baseball team for their stunning performance last Sunday in the playoffs. It was great to see all of our Cheer Squad and so many fans at both sites. We are fortunate to have an opportunity to play to and to grow as a class and we owe it to all our parent volunteers! Thank you to the directors, commissioners, and coaches for sharing their talents and positive encouragement!

### **Drives – Drives – Drives!**

*We have two of our most important drives upon us. First, our Canned Food Drive has taken off. Please do all you can to support San Bruno Catholic Worker House. We know how fast every family's little contribution can amass to a wonderful offering! And, for the First Friday Mass in December, we launch our Toy Drive for the South San Francisco Fire Department. We have always done an incredible job for this event and we look forward to continued success so that all children in our city can have a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas.*