

The Lord has sent me to bring glad tidings to
the poor and to proclaim liberty to captives!
Luke 4: 18

**St. Veronica Catholic School
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Calendar Review

- Thursday, January 21 Mandatory Planning Meeting for the *Luck of the Irish Dinner* – Grade 6 Service Project – 6:00 p.m. – Science Room
School Advisory Board – 7:00 p.m.
- Friday January 22 End of the Second Quarter
Hot Lunch Orders due by 1:30 p.m. (please disregard the time on the menu)
- Saturday, January 23 Men’s Club Annual Crab Feed
Confirmation Commitment Ceremony – please keep all our Confirmandi in your prayers!
- Sunday, January 24 Blood Bank of the Peninsula Blood Drive
- Monday, January 25 Meeting to plan the graduation for the Class of 2010 for any eighth grade parents who would like to be a part of this committee – 7:30 p.m. – Grade 8
- Tuesday, January 26 School Spelling Bee – 1:00 p.m. – Parish Center
- Wednesday, January 27 CYO Outdoor Education Parent Meeting – Good Shepherd (Pacifica) – 6:30 p.m.
- Friday, January 29 Confirmation – 5:00 p.m. – Church
Second Quarter Report Cards issued
- Sunday, January 31 Opening of Catholic Schools Week
9:30 a.m. mass (Sports Mass will be at this time also) – Open House until 1:00 p.m.

Dates to Remember

- Friday, February 5 No School – Archdiocesan Prof. Dev.
School Guild – Bunko Night!
- Tuesday, February 9 Field Trip – Grades 6 and 7
King Tut exhibit (Please try to remember not to order hot lunch)
Class of 2010 Retreat – St. Peter – Pacifica
School Guild Luck of the Irish Dinner and Raffle
- Saturday, March 6
- Monday, March 8 VIP/Grandparents’ Day
(12:30 p.m. dismissal)

BINGO SCHEDULE

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

Wednesday, January 27	Wednesday, February 3	Wednesday, February 10	Wednesday, February 17
Dabai, Ledesma, Reynoso, Cole, Marsh, Suarez, Mott	Adao, Schirmer Bonnin, Mendoza, West/Parras	Avelar, Gutierrez, Mitchell, Bosch, Fontenot, O’Reilly	Campbell, Ponce, Agler, Castro, Harper, Ruegg, Wilson

Haitian Relief Student Council is sponsoring a fundraiser all week for Catholic Relief Services as we do all we can to participate with the world in helping the people of Haiti recover from the devastating earthquake. If you would like to participate, please send in your donations by Friday. Checks may be made payable to Catholic Relief Services or St. Veronica Catholic School. The class leading the way in this cause will be given the opportunity to pick the movie for Pajama Day during Catholic Schools Week.

Dear Families Working the Snack Shack,

Enclosed in this envelope are schedules for the Snack Shack. Please be reminded that one way we thank the Men's Club for supporting the Parish sports program is by offering our services at the Snack Shack for home games. Though it is a mandatory service if your child plays sports, it is also a wonderful way to participate in the thrill of competition and the Falcon Spirit. If you are assigned to work, please be punctual.

And, a special thanks to our third grade parents for helping us make this all possible. We appreciate your sense of adventure and diligence. Also, let's have a round of applause for Colleen McCarthy who is a driving force and has assisted with the organization and training of the parents for this service project. Keep up the good work!

Calling all Eighth Graders Your service is needed for the Annual Crab Feed. Eighth graders usually serve this function. If you are available, please have your parents sign your planners and let Mr. Casper know.

Seventh grade parents, if we are unable to gather enough eighth graders, we may send out an SOS for seventh grade servers. A note in the planner is all we need. We will let you know on Thursday if the seventh graders are needed. Please keep in mind that servers are asked to be present from 5:30 -8:00 p.m. and may not be in the Parish Center before or after these times. The Crab Feed is an adult affair. Thank you for your understanding.

Crab Feed – Last Call *There are a very limited number of seats still available for the Crab Feed. Tickets are first-come first-serve. Send in your order forms today.*

Food for Thought I have a blank space – an empty block. It is late and I have just returned from the Sacrament meeting with our second grade parents. For those of you who have “been there – done that” have you revisited that First Eucharist day? How many Eucharistic celebrations since? For those of you who are looking with great anticipation – what can you do to help your child prepare in your own domestic church now? In a Catholic school, Eucharist – Thanksgiving – Communion is not for a grade – it is for a lifetime. This is only the beginning of a wonderful journey!

**Catholic Schools Week
January 31 – February 5, 2010
Catholic Schools
Dividends for Life
Faith-Knowledge-Morals-Discipline**

We begin our celebration of Catholic Schools Week next Sunday, January 31, 2010, at the 9:30 a.m. mass. Since it is a weekend of home games, it will also be the designated Sports Mass. That, too, is a dividend for life! Please try to clear your schedules so we can have as many families at our celebration. We are proud of all that we do at St. Veronica Catholic School and bursting with pride even more as we celebrate around the table of the Lord. We are truly blessed to be a part of such a wonderful community and I, like all the teachers, are so fortunate to be called to serve in this community. As we go forth in this celebration of all that we are and all that we hope to become, let's remember to put Christ and our Parish community at the center – by doing so we are truly securing the most important dividends for life a Catholic School has to offer. See you at mass and at Open House afterwards!

Can You Believe It We are at the eve of the Crab Feed and in the envelope are flyers for the Luck of the Irish Dinner/Raffle and VIP/Grandparents' Day. We are so lucky that we are not given a moment to rest – celebrate – celebrate – celebrate! Please be sure to respect the deadlines (especially on the VIP/Grandparents' Day form) so the people volunteering and organizing these events may be thorough in their planning. Volunteers are needed for both events, and if you are looking to complete your service hours before May, either event will give you ample opportunities!

King Tut Parents of students in grades 6 and 7 should have found permission slips for a field trip to the De Young Museum for our students to see the King Tut Exhibit. Please let us know as soon as you can whether or not you are available to chaperone this field trip. This is one of those rare occasions where we travel in private transportation and drivers are needed. Thank you in advance for your prompt reply.

Also, driving chaperones need to have taken the Safety Course at www.shieldthevulnerable.com. If you have not done so and would like to drive, please do not hesitate to visit the website and take the course now. Please send in a copy of the certificate upon completion of the online course.