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The PJPII Newsletter is your source for information about upcoming events, what is happening in the classrooms at PJPII, and how we are working to help each other and the community. Visit www.pjpiischool.com for more information and for an online copy of the newsletter.

PJPII NEWS

Week 23

February 6, 2018

VALENTINE'S DAY and ASH WEDNESDAY

We are looking forward to living our faith this Lenten Season. Lent begins with Ash Wednesday which is on February 14 this year. Lent summons us, and enables us, to come back to the Lord wholeheartedly and in every aspect of our life.

This is a unique year when we are excited for the fun celebration of Valentine's Day, but we will also be working to honor the special day in our faith of Ash Wednesday. On Ash Wednesday, we fast and abstain. Ash Wednesday and the Lenten Season is also when many of our students practice sacrifice by giving up something for those forty days. Typically, our students choose to give up treats such as chocolate, candy, and chips.

In order to both celebrate the fun of Valentine's Day and help all those who are working to follow the example of Jesus in sacrifice this Lenten season, **we will be celebrating Valentine's Day on Tuesday, February 13 as a school.** Our Valentine's Dance for grades 5-8 is on Tuesday in the afternoon and any class celebrations will also be held on this day.



Valentine's Day

We thank you for helping us to bring both the fun of Valentine's Day to our students and the traditions of our Catholic faith through our Lenten practices of fasting and abstaining through these days of celebration next week.

We hope you will join us for our **Mass on Wednesday morning at**

8:00am at Five Holy Martyrs Parish as we begin this time of sacrifice and thoughtful practice of our Catholic faith.



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OBSERVING LENT- ASH WEDNESDAY IS FEBRUARY 14



We hope you can join us for our Mass on Ash Wednesday. We will be celebrating at the 8:00 am Mass at Five Holy Martyrs Parish. We will not have our usual School Mass on Thursday at 10:00 am due to this special service.

As we plan how we will honor Lent this year, here are thoughts attributed to Pope Francis and communicated in 2017:

POPE FRANCIS' WORDS- Do you want to fast this Lent?

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

PALABRAS DEL PAPA FRANCISCO- ¿quieres ayunar esta cuaresma?

- rápido de lastimar palabras y decir palabras amables.
- ayune de la tristeza y esté lleno de gratitud.
- ayune de la ira y esté lleno de paciencia.
- rápido de pesimismo y lleno de esperanza.
- rápido de preocupaciones y confianza en dios.
- rápido de las quejas y contemplar la simplicidad.
- ayune de las presiones y sea piadoso.
- ayune de la amargura y llene su corazón de alegría.
- ayune del egoísmo y sea compasivo con los demás.
- ayune de rencores y sea reconciliado.
- ayune de las palabras y manténgase en silencio para que pueda escuchar.



CELEBRATE THE SUCCESS OF OUR ALUMNI!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING PJPII SCHOOL ALUMNI AND CURRENT OUR LADY OF TEPEYAC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN THEIR SUCCESS AND HARD WORK:

A HONOR ROLL: ISABEL GAMBOA

B HONOR ROLL: OLIVIA RAMOS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING PJPII SCHOOL ALUMNI AND CURRENT ST. LAURENCE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN THEIR SUCCESS AND HARD WORK:

A HONOR ROLL: ALEJANDRO OSONORIO AND JOSHUA ZAVALA

B HONOR ROLL: SIMON CRUZ, EVERARDO SANCHEZ

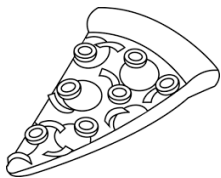
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING PJPII SCHOOL ALUMNI AND CURRENT JOSEPHINUM ACADEMY STUDENTS IN THEIR SUCCESS AND HARD WORK:

HIGH HONOR ROLL: ABIGAIL ADAN, MONICA GARCIA, GABRIELA GONZALEZ, FATIMA HERMOSILLO,
LUCIA MARTINEZ, LUCIA SANCHEZ

HONOR ROLL: JESSICA VIRAMONTES

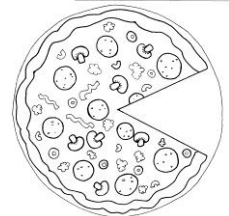
IT IS TRULY EXCELLENT TO HEAR ABOUT THE ACADEMIC SUCCESS AND SUCCESS IN ACTIVITIES OF OUR ALUMNI! IF YOU HAVE ANY NEWS ABOUT OUR ALUMNI, PLEASE EMAIL DETAILS TO MS. LUCKY CAMARGO: ENROLLMENT@PJPIISCHOOL.ORG

Any way you slice it... Our students are the best!



Letters of Acceptance for returning families were mailed this week!
Get ready for RE-REGISTRATION for the 2018-2019 School year... COMING SOON!

We can't wait for you to be a piece of the pie in 2018-2019!



WINTERFEST

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

We are gathering donations and class baskets are beginning! Each donation that has a value of \$20 qualifies for 1 (one) service hour to the school. We look forward to a wonderful and fun event this year! Join us, help us with donations and as a volunteer, and let us know your new ideas as we finalize the events for the day!

Please contact Ms. Lucky Camargo: enrollment@pjpiischool.org with all the ways you can help make this event special for our students, our families, and our community!



GIFT CARD DONATIONS NEEDED! **Donate by February 22!**

For a new game at Winterfest this year, we are collecting GIFT CARDS to major retailers (Target, Jewel, Amazon, Food 4 Less, McDonalds, etc.) in denominations of \$5, \$10, \$20, or more!

Each gift card donation with a **value of \$20** qualifies for one service hour. Please turn in donations to Mrs. Ryan in the Finance Office.

Thank you for your support!



Connecting to Our Families

It has been brought to our attention that not all of our families are receiving our school text messages!

A text was sent TODAY at 2:30pm.

If you did not receive the message, please text **67587** with the message **YES**. You will receive an immediate response thanking you for accepting messages from the school.

Ahora tenemos la capacidad de enviar mensajes de texto a los padres y esperamos que esta nueva forma de comunicación sea más rápida y más inmediata con nuestras familias.

Por favor mande un texto **67587** con el mensaje **Si**.

We look forward to contacting you through text messages in the future!

