



St. Bruno Catholic School

Weekly Bulletin

December 12, 2011



Each Advent the whole Church remembers the events that led up to the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem and reflects on the great mystery: Who is Jesus Christ? The name Jesus means "God saves." Messiah means the same thing as Christ: God's holy anointed one. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew – Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins. All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus. The Gospel of the Lord



Dear Parents:

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord."

I wish you all a most wonderful Christmas, filled with the peace and joy of celebrating Christ's birth. May you experience those awe-inspiring moments when God is present to you and in you and may your homes be filled with the laughter of children and friends. Merry Christmas! Ms. Ippolito

CALENDAR REMINDERS & UPDATES

Visit ["saintbrunoschool.com"](http://saintbrunoschool.com)

E-mail - schooloffice@saintbrunoschool.com

Scrip E-mail - sbScrip@msn.com

Parent Participation - pppAthruL@saintbrunoschool.com &

pppMthruZ@saintbrunoschool.com

Uniform Info-www.michaelsschooluniforms.com

Google Calendar web address: <http://tiny.cc/StBrunoCalendar>

December DayCare billing end date has been changed to Thursday, December 15th – invoices go home on Jan. 2nd

No Homework Night & Christmas Programs

Tuesday, December 13th

K-3rd Grade – 2:00 in Church

4th -8th Grade – 7pm in Church



Wed, Dec. 14th

Progress Reports Go Home

4th Gr to San Juan Capistrano &

6th Gr gets Lunch & Free Dress for Pledging the most money for Jog-a-thon



Those who donated copier paper get Free dress on Thursday, December 15th

Christmas Parties at lunch

Thursday, Dec 15th

3rd Grade Retreat will be Friday, January 6th



Pre-Christmas Prayer Service

11am – Friday, December 16th

NOON DISMISSAL – NO DAYCARE

Please be prompt in picking up your children



St. Bruno Catholic School will be singing and rejoicing the coming of baby Jesus by presenting our Christmas Programs in the Church, **Tomorrow, December 13th**

At 2:00pm, Grades K-3 will "Celebrate Christmas."

At 7pm Grades 4-8 will present their program

"The Spirit of Christmas"

Please come and join us.



A collection of nonperishable food items will be taken at the doors for our local food bank.

We thank you for your attendance and generosity!



Fr. Jim's Website is full of short stories, Catholic humor, and an Irish blessing. Come by to check it out. www.fatherjim.com



December Student Council Activities

Coloring Contest
Pictures are due

Today, December 12th



Candy Grams will be sold at both recesses thru December 14th. Family members may purchase a gram for your student(s) through 2pm tomorrow, December 13th at 50¢ per gram.

Send in a completed form and payment for each gram in an envelope to the school office. Please make sure you clearly print the name and grade



Red & Green add on's on December 15th

Copy Paper Drive

You only have two days to earn Free Dress on December 15th A huge Thank You to the children and families who continue to donate multiple reams, even cases!!



Happy Birthday to

Those who are celebrating this week and during the Christmas holidays.

Francesca Carrasco-Passafiume	Dec	15
Brooke Velazquez	Dec	19
Alyssa Cardenas	Dec	20
Dylan Sweet	Dec	20
Gabriela Doran	Dec	21
Marissa Martinez	Dec	22
Christopher Terrones	Dec	22
Anthony Castillo	Dec	24
Jesse Jace Paderez	Dec	24
Matthew Rodriguez	Dec	24
Evan Will	Dec	24
Gunnar Larson	Dec	25
Angela Magallon	Dec	27
Cristian Legorreta	Dec	28
Raymond Solorza	Dec	28
Alejandra Hernandez	Dec	30
Abigail Hudnall	Dec	30
Caitlin Corbett	Dec	31
Brian Parze	Jan	1
Brian Checkcinco	Jan	2
Julia Iezza	Jan	2
Aidan Whyte	Jan	3



SCRIP NEWS

Do your Scrip Christmas shopping now to avoid back orders. Beat the rush and order now!

December Special Orders

December has only 1 day left to special order: Tomorrow, Tuesday Dec. 13th

Note: NO Special orders will be accepted after Tomorrow, December 13th.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to heavy volume during the holidays, special orders placed during the month of December will be delivered on

Monday instead of Friday.

REMEMBER...Scrip sold will be based on whatever stock is on hand, first come first serve basis.



***** December Window Sales *****

Wednesday, Dec. 14th after school
Fridays Dec. 16th before school

SCRIP TIP: Buy Von's Scrip cards from St. Bruno then use them to buy gift cards at Von's for all the merchants we don't carry? Examples: Nordstrom, Forever 21, just to name a few...

- The last day to purchase Scrip before Christmas is Sunday, December 18th.
- The Scrip office will be closed beginning December 19th through January 2nd, 2011.

The PARISH CENTER will close at noon on December 23rd and December 30th.

Do not miss your last opportunity to purchase Scrip before the profit statements for the first half of your Scrip commitment are sent out. {Everyone should receive a profit statement after Christmas vacation}.

If you do not have a Scrip profit of \$150 or more by December 31st, you will receive a profit/billing statement which must be paid before January 31st. (Refer to your parent/student handbook especially if you did not purchase any Scrip)



Parents, it's that time of year again when our families will be doing a lot of cooking and baking. Don't forget to turn in your "Box Tops" and please help your children with the clipping of the box top labels. If we do not have the entire label with expiration date visible, the label is no good.



Flowers for Christmas



The Christmas season is upon us and the Church will be decorating the Sanctuary with **red poinsettia plants**.

They are asking parish and school families to bring a poinsettia plant for the Altar and surrounding area. Please bring a plant to the Parish Center anytime the week of December 19th.

Campbell's Labels for Education

Nourishing people's lives everywhere, every day.SM

Don't forget to save those Campbell's labels!! NEED PPP HOURS AND WANT SOMETHING YOU CAN DO AT HOME? Mr. Gamboa can use volunteers to help him prepare the Campbell's labels we've collected for shipment. Please contact Mr. Gamboa at aegamboa@lasd.org



T's Basketball Season – Please do not park on or around the basketball courts after school. The teams are trying to practice and need all the courts open and available. Thanks!!



Fresh & Easy - We have already received receipts that will give us over \$165.

Send in your Fresh & Easy Store receipts!!! Offer Ends December 31st

Remember, every \$20 Fresh & Easy receipt collected earns your school \$1. \$40 receipts earn \$2; \$60 receipts earn \$3, and so on.

Parents, students, and teachers please collect and send to the school office receipts from purchases made at any Fresh & Easy store between now and Dec. 31, 2011. **All original receipts must total \$20 or more to qualify.** For example, a single receipt totaling \$39.99 is worth \$1, while a single receipt for \$40.00 is worth \$2, but a receipt for \$18.50 is not eligible. You cannot combine the total of the receipts. For every \$20 spent per visit at a Fresh & Easy store, St. Bruno will receive a \$1 cash donation.



Talent Show 2012!!

Wanted – singers, dancers, magicians, musicians, and Comedians! Anyone with a special talent you would like to share?

February 17th is the date of our show and we will be having **try-outs in early January**. Christmas vacation is a good time to start planning if you would like to participate. Questions? Please see Mrs. Lakey or Mrs. Walker.



Our Fish Fry Committee is again asking for a volunteer or volunteers to help chair the “clean-up committee” for fish fry.

Our current chairs Mrs. Corbett and Mr. Duran cannot work every week this year. Committee chairs supervise and assist

those assigned to clean-up so one is on duty each of the 6 weeks of Fish Fry. The Hall must be clean and ready for another ministries use Saturday mornings so clean-up starts Friday nights at 7pm and continues until completed (usually around 11pm). Please contact Mrs. Corbett at 562-883-3684.

If you volunteer & work something out with Mrs. Corbett, please send an email to the school office so that we do not schedule you to work on another committee. Thanks.

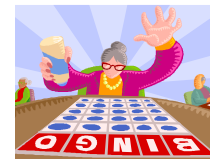
BINGO NEWS!!

Bingo needs of additional committee members.

“Set up” for Week 1 {2-4:30pm} and a “Window” person for week 3 {4-7:30pm}

If you are interested please contact Ms. Porter in the school office –

Bingo Committee members fulfill their annual PPP & Bingo commitment by working **a minimum of 3½ hours, 13 Bingo nights per year starting with June and ending May**. *Committee members only other annual commitment is 10 Fish Fry hours & 5 Carnival hours - NO exceptions or exemptions.* (Committee members are divided into 4 weekly groups; Week 1 works the 1st Wednesday of each month, Week 2 works the 2nd Wednesday, Week 3 works the 3rd Wednesday and Week 4 works the 4th Wednesday. Four months each year usually have 5 weeks – Each of the four groups will be assigned one of these 5th weeks – Bingo will not be scheduled on Ash Wednesday or the Wednesday prior to Holy Thursday.)





Nurses' Notes!
Attention St. Bruno Parents,
Especially 6th Grade Parents;
Here is an important
message
From Ms. Garcia



As you may have heard, Whooping cough (Pertussis) has spread throughout California during 2010. The California Department of Public Health now recommends that all Californians age 10 years and older receive a Tdap booster shot.

Assembly Bill 354 chaptered into California law states that **students entering 7th grade are required to be immunized against Pertussis.**

The law applies to all public and private schools.

Current St. Bruno 6th Grade students must provide proof that they have had the vaccine no later than September 1, 2012. Without

documentation of the vaccine students entering the 7th Grade will not be permitted in class effective the first day of school. **No grace period will be granted.**

Parents with children 10yrs & older save yourselves time and effort – get the T-dap shot now and you will not have to worry about the requirements of Assembly Bill 354. The shot is good for 10 years!!!

6th Grade Parents, do not wait until the last minute to respond to this message, there is no need to hold off until the issue is forced upon you. We have quite a few no school days coming up (Christmas Vacation, Easter Vacation, etc.) so the opportunity is open to have this taken care of before summer vacation. Now is a good time to schedule an appointment or go to the Whittier Health Department, where the shot is free.

We will continue to send reminders via the school newsletter as we did last year, but this October when a 30 day grace period came to an end we still had to refuse entrance to 6 students who had not gotten the vaccination. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me.

Thanks, Ms. Garcia, MA

St. Bruno Church Holiday Christmas Mass Schedule

Special Penance Service 7:30pm
Monday, December 19th

Confessions
Saturday, December 17th

9-10am & 4-5 pm

Thursday, December 22nd

9-10am & 7-8pm

Friday, December 23rd

9-10am & 7-8pm

Christmas Eve Masses

Saturday, December 24th

4 pm Children's Family Liturgy {Church}

4 pm Mass {in the Hall}

6:30pm Mass in Church

Midnight Concelebrated Mass

Adult Choir

Prelude begins at 11:30pm

Christmas Day

Masses at 8am – 10am & Noon

In the Church

NO EVENING MASS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

New Year's Day, Solemnity of Mary

Saturday, December 31st, New Year's Eve Mass ~ 5:30pm

Sunday, January 1st New Year's Day & Sunday Masses.

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, and Noon

No Evening Mass on New Year's Day

Monday, January 2nd, New Year's Holiday~Mass 9:00am



Our Book Fair cash profit was \$2288.49, but with bonuses for taking the profit in books, we were able to earn an additional \$677.70. Mrs. Schwabe is very happy with the

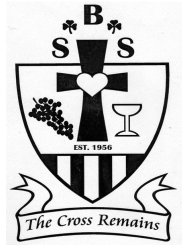
results because she can soon purchase more books for our library at the Scholastic warehouse. We are also extremely grateful for the money received in the "change" donation box placed at the cash register. This money will also go to the library fund for additional purchases. Also, a very nice gentleman came to the book fair after mass on Sunday and decided to donate \$100 to the school library right there on the spot. There are ANGELS among us!

Thank you to all our book fair helpers: Mr. Doug Davis (Jacob, 5th) who helped unload the book fair and set it up; Mrs. Marlene Hernandez (Christian, 4th) who worked the preview as well as sales. Our sales helpers: Mrs. Brenda Ruffier (Chloe, 6th); Mrs. Kathleen Meijerink (Marlisa, 3rd); Mrs. Becky Davis (Jacob, 5th); Ms. Lisa Licano (Kaitlyn Boyd, 5th); and Mrs. Yanet Castrillo (Carlos, 4th) and EVERYONE who made a purchase, again Thank You. Mrs. Dena Martinez, book fair coordinator





Jog-a-thon 2011-2012



We'd like to congratulate everyone who helped make our Jog-a-thon fundraiser a great success! We've raised approximately \$13,150 and we're still waiting on a few to turn in their money. We came very close to meeting our \$15,000 goal and we're extremely grateful for everyone's contributions. A special big thank you goes to our Sixth Grade class. Their generous fundraising efforts raised \$2,115 for St. Bruno. They've earned Free Dress and a delicious Carl's Jr. Lunch on Wednesday, December 14, 2011.

The following students raised at least \$125 each and will attend the Speed Zone* trip in a limousine:

- ❖ **Kindergarten**/Lauren Monahan and Diego Boardman
- ❖ **First Grade**/Aidan Gutierrez, Isabella Gutierrez, Gabrielle Ippolito, Elijah Willis, Cristian Legorreta, and Christopher Tryon
- ❖ **Second Grade**/Mark Franco, John-Paul Lim, and Julian Natera
- ❖ **Third Grade**/Sheridan Ammons, Alexa Davis, Sophia Green, Maya Gutierrez, Marlisa Meijerink, Alexis Rangel, Daphne Ruffier, Curtis Tryon and Jenna Van Bergen
- ❖ **Fourth Grade**/Mia Alvarez, Kyle Elliott, Elijah Gutierrez, Alexander Lim, Nicholas Montes, and Natalie Tinkler
- ❖ **Fifth Grade**/Jacob Davis and Antonio Valles
- ❖ **Sixth Grade**/Eydie Armienta, Eric Boutros, Stephen Camacho, Ryan Elliott, Nicholas Hernandez, Madeline Pirnat, Molly Renze, Chloe Ruffier, Dylan Sweet, and Cassandra Tinkler

More information on trip regarding date and chaperoning opportunities will follow shortly.

INDIVIDUAL PRIZE WINNERS



1st Place Winner of an Apple iPod Touch
Nicholas Montes, 4th Grade Raised \$295

2nd Place Winner of \$75 Target Gift Card
Isabella Gutierrez, 1st Grade raised \$267

3rd Place Winner of \$50 Target Gift Card
Mark Franco, 2nd Grade raised \$255

This year's Jog-A-Thon T-shirt was once again designed by a Very talented fifth grader, Jere McDonald.

