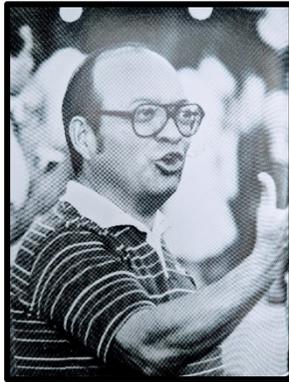


WEEK of 06 JANUARY 2018

January 6th is the Feast of the Epiphany; a celebration of the visit by the magi. Scholars speculate that they traveled far and at great risk to find the Promised One. Led only by a star, they overcame doubt and fear to encounter the Incarnation. When they arrived in Bethlehem, they found only a newborn in a humble dwelling. Nothing about the surroundings would have suggested that this was the Prince of Peace but they looked at Jesus with the eyes of faith and fell to their knees.



One of Delasalle's meditations was written for this feast. *"Behold the faith that profoundly filled their spirit and caused them to adore him. Recognize Jesus beneath the poor rags of the children whom you have to instruct; adore him in them."* The dignity and value of our students are often hidden beneath their bad habits, poor choices, and immaturity. Our founder implores us to be wise like the magi and see beyond our students' behaviors and exteriors.



Someone who exemplified such wisdom and faith was Sabino Carrejo, AFSC, who passed away over the break. "Mr. C." lived out his vocation as a teacher at CHS from 1976 to 2011. Passionate about Biology, he was often a utility man – one who generously filled gaps in the schedule. He taught Reading and English whenever needed and ran summer school for years. Students with academic challenges were often assigned to Mr. C because he possessed the patience and wisdom to teach such minds and touch such hearts. Like the magi, he could see beneath the past habits, choices and maturity of the students to encounter the Christ within each one. His respect for his students often resulted in having them blossom and thrive. Let us imitate this saint in our first encounters of the new semester!

PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR:

- The Holy Spirit's blessings on the new semester;
- In thanksgiving for the opportunity to rest during the Christmas break;
- God's blessings on the *El Otro Lado* events this week;
- Blessings on Mr. Lara and Mr. Young as they begin their new work;
- Ongoing rehabilitation of Aaron Cobos;
- In thanksgiving for our generous benefactors;
- For peoples migrating around the world – especially those arriving in the borderland;
- Our young men to consider a life of service as a Brother, priest or deacon;
- In thanksgiving for safe travel during the holidays;
- Our seniors as they apply for university and scholarships;
- For the ongoing healing of;
- Those in need of healing; especially for Ulli Reichenbach; Jesse Acosta (recovering from a heart attack); those fighting cancer (Homero Silva, alumnus John Armendariz, Mima Sofia Higuera, Rosa Maria Sosa, alumnus Javier Olmos); those dealing with addiction; and for those struggling with mental illness;

- The repose of the soul of Mary Vallejo, grandmother of Thaddeus Davis '18 and mother of Yvonne Davis, and the consolation of her family;
- The repose of the soul of Sabino Carrejo, AFSC, and the consolation of his family;
- The repose of the soul of Raul "Raulie" Lopez '54 and the consolation of his family;
- The repose of the soul of Rudy Zarate '55 and the consolation of his family;
- Families in mourning; especially the Davis and Carrejo families.

KUDOS and THANKS:

Kudos to Mr. **Jose Lara** '09 who earned his MBA in medical administration. He has left CHS to take a position managing Dr. J. Furlong's practice. We are grateful for his service and wish him every success in this new endeavor!

Thank you to **Mr. Lisanckie** and **Ms. Torres** for overseeing the Winter Writing Workshop. We were blessed to have two **Jan-term volunteers** from Saint Mary's College of California as well as a number of alumni and staff members.

Congratulations to the **Irish Basketball** team for winning third place at the **Clovis Invitational Tournament**.



Mr. Lisanckie helps Joseph Munoz edit

Kudos to senior **Raul Flores** for his impressive participation in the All-Star High School Game. Quarterback **Richie Medina** competed with other quarterbacks through a series of drills.

In thanksgiving for the lives of those who celebrate their **birthdays** this week:

- Tuesday, 01 January: **Ivan Brea-Peralta**
- Wednesday, 02 January: **Cesar Gallardo Loya, Jacob DeWees**
- Thursday, 03 January: **German Tirado**
- Friday, 04 January: **Hernan Rivera, Zachary Deitch**
- Sunday, 06 January: **Ricardo Wong**
- Monday, 07 January: **Nicolas Veytia, Mr. Vazquez** (Engineering teacher)
- Tuesday, 08 January: **Guillermo Lucero, Carlos Carrasco Martinez, Mrs. Murphy** (English III), **Mr. Lisanckie** (EA Director)
- Friday, 11 January: **Daniel Diaz, Saul Baeza**
- Saturday, 12 January: **Andres Ramos Torres**



Volunteers Gerry Reyes and Nathaniel Panis

NEWS YOU NEED:

We will welcome **Gerardo Reyes** and **Nathaniel Panis**, two senior Jan-term volunteers from **Saint Mary's College of California**, a Lasallian university in the Bay Area. We are continuing our six-year partnership with them. They arrived immediately after Christmas to assist with the Winter Writing Workshop. The two are committed to offering ongoing assistance to our seniors with their college applications for

admission and scholarships. They will be working out of Ms. Torres **Counseling Center** until the middle of the month.

Ten students and chaperones from **Manhattan College**, the Lasallian university in the NYC area, will arrive in El Paso on **Sunday, 06 January**, to participate in the first ***El Otro Lado*** border immersion program of 2019. **CHS students and Mr. Lopez** will serve as hosts and participate in the week's events. You can learn more about Manhattan College at <https://manhattan.edu/>. The following students will be serving as hosts:

- Monday: **Cesar Gallardo, Diego Lopez-Molinar, Gerardo Pena, Sergio Tellez, Christian Silva, Sergio Salcido**
- Tuesday: **Enrique Carrasco, Adolfo Delgado, Eduardo Duran, Marcos Figueroa, Diego Alvarez**
- Wednesday: **Daniel Diaz, Rodrigo Padron, Derek Andrade**
- Thursday: **Isaac Martinez, Anthony Daniel**
- Saturday: **Daniel Herrada, Gerardo Pena, Sergio Tellez, Diego Lopez-Molinar, Christian Silva.**

Mr. **Anthony Young** will take over the **PE classes**. Mr. Young has been on the basketball coaching staff for two years, proctors some of our online classes and has been a substitute in the past. We're blessed to bring such a professional on as a full-time staff member.

The **Spring Faculty Retreat** will be at 8:30 AM on **Monday, 07 January**, at Saint Stephen Deacon and Martyr parish.

- The school offices will be open.
- There will be no classes for students.

Tuesday, 08 January, classes resume for students.

We'll have an **Academic Awards Ceremony** on **Thursday, January 10th**, at **8:20 AM** in the Houghton MPB. This event is to acknowledge the academic success of our students at the end of the first semester. Parents are welcome to join us.

- We will be on **Morning Assembly Schedule**.

There will be a **Parent Information Session** for those interested in learning more about CHS on **Saturday, 12 January and 26 January**. The English session starts at 9:00 AM and the Spanish session begins at 11:00 AM. Both sessions are in the Guereca Auditorium.

- We are aware that our students and parents are our best recruiters. Your recommendation helps to create the community which will most help shape your son during his adolescence.



One of four alumni bombardment teams

Looking ahead:

There will be an **all-school Mass** on Wednesday, 16 January, at 10:20 AM at Saint Patrick's Cathedral. Students will be in **Irish Standard**.

ALUMNI and DEVELOPMENT:

Thank you to **Ruben Escandon** who was the speaker at the January meeting of the **Alumni Association**. Mr. Escandon,

whose father is a graduate of the Class of 1956, gave a riveting history of the construction of Mount Cristo Rey.

Congratulations to Judge **Josh Herrera '98** on being sworn in as the Justice of the Peace for Precinct #3. He was sworn in on New Year's Day by his longtime mentor Judge Sue Kurita. Judge Herrera has spoken at our Tradition Ceremony and give talks to underclassmen on the legal responsibilities of social media.



Judge Herrera'98 being sworn in

Kudos to **Joe Jimenez** for organizing the **alumni bombardment tournament** on the 23rd of December. Many alumni from various generations participated in the fun event.

CHS Alumni Scholarship applications will be available to download off of our website in January 2019.

MEN OF IRON/MEN OF GOLD

