



SAINT PAUL ^{THE} APOSTLE

CATHOLIC SCHOOL  LOS ANGELES



Dear Parents/Guardians:

Next Sunday is Easter Sunday, that glorious time each spring when we celebrate that Jesus Christ is risen! It is especially appropriate that we take time with our family and friends to pause, reflect, and find balance at Easter. Our Lenten journey has been a time of reconciliation, challenge, self-sacrifice, and a call to conversion. Easter is at the heart of our faith. The eternal message of Easter is the message of the Risen Lord, of His triumph over sin and death. Upon His resurrection, the followers of Jesus—who were once just a group of frightened and scattered people—quickly became a group of excited men and women, anxious to share their joy, their insights and their love with others. This is the true miracle of Easter, and one that we shouldn't take for granted.

As resurrection people, we are called to rise up and become fully alive, and to be of service to others as we proclaim the good news. Each year when we celebrate this glorious feast, we need to get just as energized as the Apostles did. The celebration of Christ's resurrection should not be just a one-day event for the Catholic Church, or in our homes. We need to enjoy this special celebration for at least 50 days, until the feast of Pentecost. We need to awaken to this wonderful news of the resurrection, be just as excited as the women who saw the empty tomb, and be changed in the same way that Jesus' followers were changed. If Jesus had not risen, our Christian faith would not be complete. His rising is a permanent message of hope for Christians, and for all mankind. It is this gift of hope which makes us have that steadfast confidence in God, in His ultimate triumph, and in His goodness and unwavering love.

As Catholics, we are truly an "Easter" religion. Let us keep the joy of Easter morning in our spirits throughout the season, and do everything we can to promote that "Alleluia" feeling within our community. As much as we might look forward to enjoying a delightful holiday dinner and all of the candy treats, we must remind ourselves that Easter is not just a holiday full of chocolate bunnies and eggs; it is also an attitude of inner joy that stays

with us long after the jelly beans are gone. Jesus Christ has given us the power to experience life to the fullest and to have eternal life with Him. As we celebrate this most solemn and joyous season, may our hearts be filled with the light and grace of God so that we might echo the words of His angels:

**“He is not here in the tomb; He is risen!
Alleluia! Alleluia!”**

May the Risen Christ fill your hearts with great joy this Easter!

Crystal A. Pinkofsky
Principal

18	APR 2019, THU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:45am – 12:15pm 12:30pm 	Holy Thursday 2nd Grade School Prayer Service St. Paul the Apostle Church Early Dismissal for Easter Break
19	APR 2019, FRI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day All day 12 – 1:15pm 	Good Friday No School Stations of the Cross for Children St. Paul the Apostle Church
22	APR 2019, MON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day 	School Easter Break
23	APR 2019, TUE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day 	School Easter Break
24	APR 2019, WED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day 	School Easter Break
25	APR 2019, THU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day 	School Easter Break
26	APR 2019, FRI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day 	School Easter Break
29	APR 2019, MON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day 	School Resumes
1	MAY 2019, WED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:15 – 9:15am 	First Grade School Mass--Blessed Mother Mary
3	MAY 2019, FRI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30 – 9pm 	St. James Inn Event
4	MAY 2019, SAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 – 6pm 	First Communion
5	MAY 2019, SUN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30 – 10:30am 5:30 – 9pm 	First Communion at masses Alumni Dinner Class of 2015--GYM
6	MAY 2019, MON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day 8 – 9:30am 	Steam Fair Week--Gym PWC Board Meeting JACC
7	MAY 2019, TUE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day 	Stem Fair Week--Gym
8	MAY 2019, WED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day All day 11am – 2pm 	Spring Sing II - JCPC Stem Fair Week--Gym Spring Sing 2--JCPC--Grades 1-4 perform JCPC
9	MAY 2019, THU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day 	Stem Fair Week--Gym
10	MAY 2019, FRI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All day 7 – 8pm 	Stem Fair Week--Gym Sandwich Builders--JCPC
11	MAY 2019, SAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 – 6pm 	First Communion

EASTER BREAK



EASTER VACATION at SPA

School will dismiss at 12:30 p.m. this Thursday, which is the beginning of our Easter vacation. Classes will resume Monday, April 29, as we gather together for our morning prayer assembly and announcements.

BRAVO! BRAVO!



On behalf of the St. Paul the Apostle Community, I would like to extend a BIG round of applause to the students, faculty and crew members who worked so hard on the spectacular “Aladdin” production! They certainly deserved the standing ovation that they

received from the audience. The acting, the singing, the dancing, the costumes and props—WOW!—right on par with any production I've ever seen on Broadway in New York! The students were impressive and the show was simply delightful. Congratulations on a job well done, and thank you for ALL of the time, energy, dedication and talent that you so generously shared with us. A special note of gratitude to Jennifer Newton, Cheryl Crump, Nora Masterson and Callista Campbell for all that you did to make this possible. And a note of gratitude is also extended to Carlos Hernandez, Christopher Brown, Marie Feeley, Ellen Newton, Peter Reardon, Aiden Hempstead, Emmett Ness and Cash Roberts for their assistance with sound, costumes, props and backstage tasks. Your "magical" work behind the scenes certainly added to the success of the show! Thanks again, everyone (especially our students), and we can't wait to see what next year brings!



FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

Our financial aid process for tuition assistance is now open. In order to apply, please send Mayora Hiney (mhiney@sp-apostle.org) an email prior to Wednesday, April 10, letting us know you are interested in applying for Financial Aid. She will then send you information outlining the steps needed to complete the application through FACTS. All applications must be completed and submitted no later than Friday, May 10, in order to qualify for an award.



SPA SUN SAFETY

Now that spring has sprung, so has the sun! Please be sure to slather on the sun screen before your child heads for school and pack an extra tube in your child's backpack for re-application during recess and lunch. Don't forget sun hats too! We will be starting a new Sun-Hat wearing competition next week. It begins Monday, April 1, and continues through Campout week. Winning classes will be announced during Campout. The SPA Sun Safety Committee is committed to promoting sun safety awareness and health. While melanoma and other sun illnesses may be on the rise, SPA is committed to promoting sun safety and keeping our kids sun safe.



SPRING CHESS TOURNAMENT at SPA!

It's time to register for the Spring Chess Tournament at SPA! The tournament will be held on Sunday, April 28, from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. in the SPA gym. All level of players are welcome to participate, from beginners through advanced. Individual trophies and team trophies will be awarded, and all other players will receive a medal. Come and help SPA win back the Best School Team

trophy! Register today at: [Chess 4 Success](#).



SPA SUMMER SCHOOL!!

All of our SPA students are invited to join us for a summer of learning and fun! St. Paul the Apostle School will be offering a variety of programs this coming summer. The sessions will be held Monday through Thursday, from June 17th until July 11th. Classes will be available that satisfy the Summer School Practice Requirements. NEW this year: Coach Keith and Coach Anthony will be offering a Summer Camp! Also new this year: we have added Lazy Fridays that are guaranteed to be a lot of fun. So, if your children are beginning to wonder what they will be doing all summer, log on to the [registration link](#) and sign them up for days of fun! You can also log on to the PWC website at <http://www.spapwc.com/summerschool/>. Detailed information brochures will be sent home with the students today.



SENIOR MINISTRY FILM FESTIVAL

A few years ago, members of our SPA Parish Seniors Ministry began what can only be described as a "film festival," something that is held twice a year. After viewing the selected films, a little user-friendly conversation happens for about 20-30 minutes. The next "film festival" gathering will be held on Friday, May 3rd. The committee members are always eager to get the word out and invite new people to attend. School parents are cordially invited to attend, and feel free to invite neighbors, friends, or grandparents. They just might want to consider taking a chance on seeing a good film for free in the company of a lot of other nice people!

An information flyer is attached to this week's newsletter. Fr. Gil is including the information in his weekly e-mail to parishioners, and it has also been publicized on the parish Facebook page and the Sunday bulletin. Flyers will also be available at the entrances to the church.



Spring Film Potpourri

Merriment in May at SPA!

St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Community - 10750 Ohio Avenue - Los Angeles 90024 - (310) 474-1527

WHERE: Multi-Purpose Room
(Entrance and Handicapped Access on Selby Avenue)

For attendees, parking restrictions waived until 2 PM on Selby Avenue (adjacent to premises)

ALL SESSIONS 10:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Doors Open, Tea & Coffee Available at 10:00
If you wish, bring snacks to share!



FILMS BEGIN AT 10:30

Post-Film Discussion with Joan Doyle

All Adults Are Welcome – Bring a Friend
No Children, Please

FREE-FREE-FREE-FREE-FREE-FREE

Sponsored by the Seniors' Ministry

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May 3, 2019

The Greatest Showman
(2017 - PG - 105 min.)
Stars: Hugh Jackman, Zac Efron, Michelle Williams

An original musical inspired by the story of P.T. Barnum (Jackman), famous 19th C. showman and entrepreneur. Acting out of both ambition and vision, he assembles stars and curiosities, forming the Barnum & Bailey Circus (now defunct), giving rise to what has become modern-day show business.

2

May 10, 2019

The Princess Bride
(1987 - PG - 98 min.)
Stars: Robin Wright, Mandy Patinkin, Peter Falk

Is it a film for adults? A comedy? A fantasy? An adventure? A romance? Yes, all of the above. Grandpa (Falk) tells his grandson the story of a handsome farmhand, who - with the help of a fencing master (Patinkin) and a giant - faces death while on a quest to rescue Buttercup (Wright), the love of his life, from the clutches of a hateful prince.

3

May 17, 2019

Quartet
(2012 - PG-13 - 98 min.)
Stars: Dame Maggie Smith, Tom Courtenay

Not a music lover? Not to worry. This is a very entertaining comedy-drama about a former opera singer (Smith) who reluctantly moves into a retirement home for classical singers and musicians. Her former "Rigoletto" quartet mates, including her ex-husband (Courtenay), already live there, but she doesn't know that until she arrives! Divas abound!

PWC NEWS CORNER!



SPA TEXTILE DRIVE

Are you cleaning out your house after watching the Marie Kondo Netflix series? Do you have bags of items that no longer spark joy? St. Paul the Apostle would be filled with joy, if you donated them to us! We are holding a clothing/textile drive right after Easter Break, and every bag helps us so much. Our goal for donations is three bags per family. Contact Marina Batliwalla at (424) 527-1924 with any questions. We need your donations by May 1st. (And don't

forget to start saving your decorative/saleable items for Apostles Attic!) Remember: shoes and towels are accepted, but not bedding. Check the PWC website for more information.



FR. TOM JONES MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

This is a special invitation to **all Moms and Dads**: The SPA Father's Club will be hosting the annual Fr. Tom Jones Memorial Golf Tournament, and WE need YOUR support! The Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, May 6th! We are soliciting participation, sponsorship, donations, volunteers, anything and everything we can get. Please go to the Golf Tournament page and sign up! This will be a shotgun, best ball tournament that caters to ALL levels. Register or learn more [here](#). Corporate sponsorship and/or donations are graciously accepted. All proceeds will benefit St. Paul's Financial Aid Program. This is our only fundraiser for Financial Aid, so please help! Questions? Send an email to the tournament director, Kevin Griffin at kgrif2@gmail.com.



TOGETHER WE ROCK!

Hey, Saints! Are you ready to rock!?! Grab your VIP pass and get ready for an unforgettably epic rock & roll festival! Introducing... "Together We Rock" 2019! While the SPA 2019 Festival Committee is hard at work preparing for another awesome weekend for our community, you can start looking like a rock star by purchasing some super cool and comfy festival wear, and help get the party started by donating to Patronage! **Mark your calendars to purchase festival wear at these events:**

Pep Rally: May 1
Spring Sing II: May 8
New Parent Mixer: May 14
Camp-out: May 18
Online (orders open): June 3

Donate to Patronage on-line (starting April 30th) or at these events:

Spring Sing II: May 8
New Parent Mixer: May 14

Look for all the ways you can rock with the SPA Festival by visiting our [Festival 101](#) (hot link) page. Be sure to follow us now on Social Media for more exciting news! [#togetherwerock](#)



SPA SCHOOL WEBSITE NEWS!

After months and months of endless meetings, planning, hard work and dedication, we are pleased to announce that our new St. Paul the Apostle School website is now available to everyone! Please visit <https://school.sp-apostle.org> and browse around the site

noting all that St. Paul's has to offer, who we are as a Catholic school community, and what we have to offer our families. We have added quite a bit of pertinent information regarding our enrollment process, our faith community, the academic programs, and the numerous extracurricular activities. Keep an eye on our Calendar of Events and the most important news on the front page of the website. You can also access our social media pages at the bottom of the site whenever you like! If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions regarding the school website please don't hesitate to email Daniel Chung at dchung@sp-apostle.org. Thanks, and enjoy!



SPA'S SOCIAL MEDIA

Please join St. Paul's this year as we ramp up our social media game on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube! We will be posting regular updates along with the parish to share the news about everything that's happening around campus and in the community. Check it out and share your "likes" to show your support! You can subscribe below by clicking on the links!

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