



MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR!

January 10, 2019

Good afternoon, SPV Families! Welcome back. We hope you all enjoyed a revitalizing vacation and are still enjoying a joyous Christmas season. As you know, the Christmas season ends this Sunday with the Baptism of the Lord.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the 8th grade class for their presentation of our Christmas program to the parish on December 24th. We have received many words of appreciation from parishioners who appreciated this very special lead-in to the Christmas Mass.

MR. CHAVEZ

Many of you have noticed that Mr. Chavez has been absent from his morning and afternoon gate duty. He is in the hospital and had surgery yesterday. His lovely wife assures us that the surgery went well. Please keep Mr. Chavez, his wife, and the doctors who are caring for him, in your prayers. Thank you so much.

CHANGE OF DATE FOR OPEN HOUSE.

We have changed the date of our **Open House** to **Sunday, February 10th**, from 10:30 until 1:00pm. Please feel free to invite friends and neighbors to join us.

Our Open House morning will begin at the 9:15am Mass. Immediately after Mass, we will open the rooms and the schools for people to walk through and enjoy.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

MARDI GRAS CASINO NIGHT - SATURDAY, MARCH 2ND

Our parish is hosting a "Mardi Gras Casino Night" on Saturday, March 2nd.

Mark your calendar for the **last great party before Lent!** Tickets are only \$50/person and include dinner, champagne punch, a free raffle ticket, and \$100 in "Casino Cash"! Ticket sales will begin Thursday, January 31st.

This is a parish event and a great way to meet people. Come be social with the St. Pius V faith family, have a great Louisiana-style dinner, and be in the running to win some great prizes...all before Lent!

PARENT MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16TH

As you know, this is an accreditation year for our school. We are accredited through WCEA (Western Catholic Educational Association) and through WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges).

We have been working on our document for the past two years, gathering data and writing up findings. On Wednesday, January 16th, at 7:00pm you are invited to come and discuss the document and its findings before the document becomes "finalized". Your input and insights are a valuable part of this document and this process. Last year, we conducted parent surveys and have incorporated that information into our document. (We actually made a few changes this year based on the survey results from last year.)

Please join us on January 16th. Our school is an important part of all of our lives. (Service hours will be credited for this meeting.)

HELP NEEDED FOR CASINO NIGHT!

In preparing for our parish Mardi Gras Casino Night, we are looking for donations of large and small items. We are also looking for sponsors to help defray the cost of the evening. Any assistance you can provide is greatly appreciated and, of course, will count toward service hours. **You will find a donation/sponsorship letter [here](#).** Please take it with you as you shop. Any sponsorships would be very helpful and deeply appreciated.

Also, for Christmas did you receive a thoughtful gift that just really isn't "you"? Maybe gift cards that you are unlikely to use? If that happened to you, please consider donating the item or card to St. Pius to be used for our parish's Mardi Gras Casino Night or our Golf Tournament. Thank you so very much for your

consideration.

Are you interested in planning events? Our next meeting is Wednesday, January 23th, at 6:30pm, in Room 4 (Dr. Bravo's office). Please feel free to join us!

THE "I-GEN": UNDERSTANDING THE SMARTPHONE GENERATIONS AND FINDING A BALANCE WITH TECHNOLOGY

This generation of youth is the first generation to spend their entire childhood in the age of the smartphone. The Diocese of Orange is hosting two days with Dr. Jean Twenge, a professor of Psychology at San Diego State University, who will be talking about the effects of technology on our youth. In her talks, she will explore the idea that iGen may be growing up more slowly than previous generations. Parents will learn what practical tools may be utilized to best meet the developmental needs of children and encourage their independence and autonomy.

Parents and other adults are invited to attend any of the sessions. Children under 9th grade should not attend as the subject matter is not appropriate for younger teens/children.

iGen: Understanding the Smartphone Generation and Finding a Balance with Technology

Sunday, January 13 6:30pm-8:00pm

Monday, January 14 9:30-11:00 am

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Location: St Juliana Falconieri Catholic Church, [1316 North Acacia Avenue, Fullerton, CA 92831](#)

For an informational flyer, click [here](#). If you have questions, click [here](#). To register for the event, click [here](#).

IMPORTANT DATES

The **January** printable calendar can be found [here](#).

Friday, January 11 Band Classes

Grades 3 - 5 3:30-4:30 ([Add to calendar](#)) Jr High 4:35 - 5:35 ([Add to calendar](#))

Tuesday, January 15 (6:30pm) 1st Reconciliation in the church ([Add to calendar](#))

Wednesday, January 16 (8:30am) Mass for Grades 5 - 8. Formal uniforms required. ([Add to calendar](#))

Wednesday, January 16 (7:00pm) Parent Meeting for WCEAWASC Accreditation ([Add to calendar](#))

Friday, January 18 NOON DISMISSAL ([Add to calendar](#))

Friday, January 18 Band Classes

Grades 3 - 5 12:30-1:30 ([Add to calendar](#)) Jr High 1:35 - 2:35 ([Add to calendar](#))

Saturday, January 19 (10:00 am) Santo Niño Mass and Reception ([Add to calendar](#))

Monday, January 21 NO SCHOOL (Martin Luther King Day) ([Add to calendar](#))

Tuesday, January 22 - Friday, January 25 6th Grade Science Camp ([Add to calendar](#))

Wednesday, January 23 (8:30am) All school Mass. All students wear formal uniforms. ([Add to calendar](#))

Friday, January 25 Band Classes

Grades 3 - 5 3:30-4:30 ([Add to calendar](#)) Jr High 4:35 - 5:35 ([Add to calendar](#))

Friday, February 1 Band Classes

Grades 3 - 5 3:30-4:30 ([Add to calendar](#)) Jr High 4:35 - 5:35 ([Add to calendar](#))

Sunday, February 10 (10:30am) OPEN HOUSE ([Add to calendar](#))

Saturday, March 2 (6:30pm) CASINO NIGHT! ([Add to calendar](#))

May God bless you always and in all ways.

Dr. Joan Bravo, Principal

St. Pius V Parish School