



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, December 24th

3:30pm and 6:00pm (Spanish)

Tuesday, December 25th

7:45am, 9:15am, 10:45am, 12:15pm and 1:45pm (Spanish)

December 13, 2018

Good afternoon, SPV Families! Here is our weekly e-newsletter.

*You are warmly invited to come hear the words of
scripture and the beautiful songs that tell
of the birth of Christ,
as told through the voices of children.*

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14
1:30 PM & 7:00 PM

All are welcome. In the church.

2018 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM -- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14TH

This year's annual Christmas program will be on Friday, December 14th, with performances at 1:30pm and 7:00pm. Both performances will be in the church. **We will not be selling tickets to the performances but will gratefully accept donations at the door.**

We ask that parents **do not record the program.** (No one wants to watch the performance through the iPad or cellphone screen of the person in front of them.) We are offering a professionally recorded DVD. If you have not already ordered one, and would like to order one, the order form can be found [here](#). The cost is \$35.00.

Your child's teacher has sent home information pertaining to dress for the performances. With the exception of TK and Kindergarten (who will be wearing pajamas - no slippers, please), students are asked to wear their "Sunday best" clothes. Students may come to school in their daytime performance clothes. (It might be the same as their evening performance clothes.) Please do not have girls wear heels for the performances.

Students are asked to be here no later than 6:45pm, except cast members, who are asked to be in the church at 6:30pm.

Thank you so much and we look forward to celebrating the birth of Christ with you all.

"BAMBINELLI SUNDAY" - DECEMBER 16TH

Please remember to bring the baby Jesus from your nativity scene to Mass on Sunday, December 16th. They will be blessed at all the Masses. If your son/daughter is in the choir, please DO NOT send the baby Jesus with them to the choir area. (With so many students in the area, we are afraid that something might happen to the figurine.)

BAND CHRISTMAS CONCERT

There is no Friday afternoon band class tomorrow (Friday, December 14) due to the school's Christmas program.

Families and friends are welcome to come hear our newly-formed bands at a Christmas Performance and Party on Monday, December 17th, at 4:00pm in the library. This is a potluck event and parents are asked to bring some "goodies" to share.

This concert is a low-stress way to break our young musicians in to the realm of concert performance. Please come and cheer them on. It will be a fun afternoon!

A flyer for this event can be found [here](#).

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.

CASINO NIGHT AT ST. PIUS -- SATURDAY, MARCH 2ND

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 around this Christmas season. One never knows who may be looking for an end-of- the-year tax deduction!

Are you interested in planning events? Our next meeting is Wednesday, January 9th, at 6:30pm, in Room 4 (Dr. Bravo's office). Please feel free to join us!

IMPORTANT DATES

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

Friday, December 14 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM in the church.

1:30pm Matinee ([Add to calendar](#)) **7:00pm** Evening Performance ([Add to calendar](#))

Friday, December 14 NO BAND CLASS

Monday, December 17 (4:00pm) Band performance and party. Location on campus to be determined. ([Add to calendar](#))

Wednesday, December 19 NOON DISMISSAL. Last day before Christmas vacation. ([Add to calendar](#))

Thursday, December 20 - Friday, January 4 Christmas Vacation

Monday, December 24 (3:30pm) Christmas Vigil Mass ([Add to calendar](#))
8th Grade Christmas Program presented to parish. Cast members need to be at the church by 2:30pm.

Youth choir and youth handbells also participate in this Mass. (2:45 call time)

There is also a 6:00pm Christmas Vigil Mass in Spanish.

Tuesday, December 25 Christmas Day Masses at:
7:45am, 9:15am, 10:45am, 12:15pm, 1:45pm (Spanish).
There will be no 6:30pm Mass on Christmas Day.

Monday, January 7 Return to school

Wednesday, January 9 (6:30pm) Mardi Gras Casino Night planning meeting in Dr. Bravo's office ([Add to calendar](#))

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

Wednesday, January 6 (6:30pm) Parent Meeting for WCEA/WASC Accreditation ([Add to calendar](#))

May God bless you always and in all ways,

Dr. Joan Bravo, Principal
St. Pius V Parish School