



**St. Paul's School
San Francisco, California**

**Weekly Newsletter
December 5, 2007**

Calendar:

Thursday,
December 6 Grade 6 Field Trip to
 CBS studio

Monday,
December 10 8:00 a.m. Advent Prayer
 Service

 2:00 p.m. Dismissal

Tuesday,
December 11 Reconciliation for
 Grades 5-7-8

Wednesday,
December 12 8:30 a.m. Mass—
 Dress Uniform

Principal's Message:

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The month of December presents many multicultural teaching moments. Last Sunday we entered the liturgical season of Advent and we see the Church and school filled with the symbols of this season. Today is the first day of Hanukkah, the Jewish "Festival of Lights" which commemorates Israel's defeat of the Syrian rulers and rededication of the Temple.

Tomorrow is St. Nicholas Day, another opportunity filled with celebration. Next week, I hope you can join us for our Mass to remember Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Sincerely,

Arleen Guaraglia
Principal

*He that is good for
making excuses is seldom
good for anything else.
Benjamin Franklin*

Recycled Cartridges:

Thank you to Theresa Dailey who has recycled computer cartridges for us in the past. Because we do not have anyone to continue with this task, please do **not** bring empty cartridges to school.


AM Assembly:

Thank you to our parents who wait outside the gate before morning assembly. When you do arrive with your child, please see that your child goes into the schoolyard. Too many children are congregating around the fence. It becomes too difficult to supervise.

"Lighting the Way":

For the week of November 26, 2007:

Raphael Cervantez	Grade 1
Miranda Mejia (2)	Grade 1
Catherine Heinen	Grade 4
Emiliano Salazar	Grade 4
Analicia Ortiz	Grade 5
Jamie Feeney	Grade 8



A B Cs Of Student Success

O is for OVERCOMING OBSTACLES.

When kids face obstacles that seem insurmountable, parents must be there to...

- encourage children to have high -- but achievable -- expectations.
- ask children *How do you eat an elephant?* (One bite at a time!) That's how people face obstacles too. Help your children divide and conquer their obstacles.
- Help children recall past experiences. Emphasize their accomplishments. Use those memories to build kids' confidence as they "keep their eyes on the prize."

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November Student of the Month Awards:

Kindergarten:	Cheree Barroso Frank Woods
Grade 1:	Bianca Rivera Julian Villaseñor
Grade 2:	Joshua Cervantez Beatrice Ramos
Grade 3:	Caroline Castaneda Persephone Musni
Grade 4:	Andrew Abueg Alejandra Baldizon
Grade 5:	Ian Cayongcat Brianna Reyes
Grade 6:	Angela Dailey Danielray Delahoussaye
Grade 7:	Daniel Ortiz Jasmine Rael
Grade 8:	Robert Manoos Alondra Orellana

Reminders:

Extended Care will **not** be open on the afternoon of Wednesday, December 19th.

Please read the enclosed flyer regarding "One Warm Coat Drive."

MOSP Pancake Breakfast with Santa:

The Men of St. Paul's and the Athletic Board will join together to present a special Christmastime Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, December 16th, after the 8:00 & 9:15 Masses. All proceeds from this fundraiser will go to St. Paul's Athletics! A flyer with more information will be sent home in next Wednesday's family envelope.