



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

**Weekly Newsletter**  
**December 12, 2007**

**Calendar:**

Sunday,  
December 16 9:15 a.m. Mass—Rite of  
Enrollment for First  
Communicants and  
their families

Pancake Breakfast  
Sponsored by the Men  
of St. Paul's featuring  
Pictures with Santa

Monday,  
December 17 8:00 a.m. Advent Prayer  
Service

2:00 p.m. Dismissal

Wednesday,  
December 19 12:00 p.m. Dismissal

No Extended Care this  
Afternoon

**Hot Lunch Orders Due  
in office by 9:00 a.m.**

**Thursday,**  
**January 3, 2008** – Classes resume

**Principal's Message:**

Dear Parents/Guardians:

This week we celebrate the Second Sunday of Advent as we joyously wait for Jesus' coming at Christmas. Sunday's Gospel talked about John the Baptist who proclaimed: "Prepare the Way of the Lord." John was sent by God to tell everyone he met that Jesus was coming and they needed to change their lives. John called on people to "repent", which means to turn away from lives of sin and live according to God's laws of love. Jesus calls us to follow John's message and to make our world a better place as we "prepare the way" for Christmas during this season of Advent.

Sincerely,

Arleen Guaraglia  
Principal

*The real art of communication is not  
only to say the right thing in the  
right place, but to leave unsaid the  
wrong thing at the tempting moment.*  
*Dorothy Nevill, Writer*

### Smart Kids, Safe Kids:

During the next few months all students will receive instruction as part of the Safe Environment Curriculum. These lessons are required by the Bishops of the United States.

### One Warm Coat:

Don't forget that we are collecting clean, gently worn coats on behalf of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. This will continue until Monday, December 17<sup>th</sup>.

### "Lighting the Way" Students This Past Week:

Julian Alvarenga	Grade 2
Donny Bendo	Grade 3
Lety Cardenas	Grade 3
Caroline Castaneda	Grade 3
Daniel Cortes	Grade 4
Lucy Emmerson	Grade 2
Katherine Kelly	Grade 6
John King	Grade 3
Christina Oropeza	Grade 5
Celia Ortiz	Grade 1
Anthony Revilla	Grade 6
Matthew Shaw	Grade 6
Roy Siu	Grade 5
Rachel Sweeney	Grade 3

### Men of St. Paul's Pancake Breakfast:

The Men of St. Paul's and the Athletic Board join together to present a special Christmastime Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, after the 8:00 & 9:15 Masses. All proceeds from this fundraiser will go to St. Paul's Athletics! A flyer is included in this family envelope. **AS A SPECIAL TREAT, THE MEN OF ST. PAUL'S HAVE INCLUDED ONE COMPLIMENTARY CHILD'S BREAKFAST COUPON FOR EACH ST. PAUL'S STUDENT.** Come out and support the MOSP and our Athletics program!

### Hot Lunch Orders for January:

Included in this Wednesday envelope is your child's hot lunch order form for the month of January. **Please be sure to turn it in by next Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. to be included in the orders for January.** Our first day back to school, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, will be the first hot lunch of the year.

### Art Class Sign-Up Forms Are Due:

If you are interested in signing your child up for the upcoming After School Art Program, please be sure to get your forms in to Mrs. Olivo by this, Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. The first class is already full, so any additional sign-ups will be placed in the second class, offered from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Any questions, please see Mrs. Olivo.

### Save the Date:

St. Paul's Annual Family Bingo Night is scheduled to take place Saturday, February 2, 2008. More information will follow in future Newsletters.

**A B C**s Of Student Success

**P** is for PARENT INVOLVEMENT.

Research shows that students with parents who are involved in their education have higher achievement. You can get involved in your child's education by...

- reading with your child each night. Regular reading improves many skills. It reinforces that reading is a valuable and pleasurable activity.
- volunteering at school. Call your child's teacher for ideas about how you can help at school or from home.
- attending school activities. Be your child's number one fan!

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