



BISHOP GARRIGA MIDDLE
PREPARATORY SCHOOL
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

October 23, 2015



Greetings in the peace and love of Christ! I hope all is well with you and your family. Please know that you, your children and family are in my prayers daily.

Holy Mass: As you are aware, Mass is celebrated every Wednesday at 9:15 a. m. for students, faculty, and staff in the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the St. JP II campus. The past few weeks, we have had a few parents attend our Mass. It would be great to see more parents, grandparents, and other family members at our Masses. Please know that you are most welcome to attend any or all of these Masses.

BGMPS Prayer Partners: On behalf of Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School, I would like to extend an invitation to grandparents, parents, and other family members of students of BGMPS to become our Prayer Partners. Our intention is to have the BGMPS Prayer Partners meet every other Monday from 2:00-3:00 p. m. beginning on Monday, November 2, the Feast of All Souls, to pray for our students, teachers, staff members, administrators, families, and all who attend Catholic schools in the Diocese of Corpus Christi. After prayer, coffee and snacks will be available for our Prayer Partners. If you are interested in becoming one of our Prayer Partners, please join us on Monday, November 2 at 2:00 p. m. for our first Prayer Service.

Lunch with the Principal – Principal's Honor Rollees: Those students who were named to the Principal's Honor Roll (90 or above in all subject areas) will have lunch with the Principal, Mr. Gonzalez, on Thursday, October 29 at their regular lunch time. Lunch will be provided for these students on this day, as Mr. Gonzalez wants to honor them for working very hard throughout the First Quarter of the school year in keeping their grades at 90 or above. Congratulations to the 25 students named to the Principal's Honor Roll, as well as to the 69 students who were named to the A-B Honor Roll.

“Walk for Life”: Our 2nd Annual “Walk for Life” was conducted on Friday, October 23rd and was a great success! We were blessed to have had as a participant in this Walk our city's Mayor, Nelda Martinez. Mayor Martinez walked along side our students and gave them a very inspirational talk after the Walk. As many of you know, Mayor Martinez is a product of Catholic schools. Mayor Martinez is a great supporter of Catholic schools, in particular BGMPS and St. John Paul II. Congratulations are expressed to our 3H Club Sponsors, Mrs. Bruni Flores and Ms. Carol Enloe, for organizing this very successful event. Let us continue to pray for those who have lost their fight with cancer, as well as those in our families and circle of friends who are suffering from this disease.





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Beautification Day: Our first Beautification Day for the 2015-16 school year was held on Saturday, October 17. This event was a great success! Twenty-four people, 6 of whom were our students, showed up to help with this event. Our sincerest thanks are expressed to the parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and students who helped to beautify our campus. God bless you!

Living Rosary: Our Living Rosary to honor our Blessed Mother was celebrated on Friday afternoon in the Kenedy Center/Gymnasium. Sincerest thanks are extended to our 8th Graders and a few of our 7th Graders who led the Rosary. Thanks, also, are extended to the families of Hannah Reynolds, Andrew Keeney, Sofia Talbot, Annabella Le Grange, and Carmen Franco for announcing the Luminous Mysteries and placing roses at the feet of the statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The Religion Committee, under the leadership of Mrs. Rosenbaum, is thanked for organizing and facilitating this beautiful event.

Baby Bottle Fundraiser: The Crusaders of Life are hosting their annual Baby Bottle Fundraiser to support the Corpus Christi Pregnancy Center. Last year Bishop Garriga students collected over \$300 for the Pregnancy Center. Our goal this year is to collect \$600. We ask parents and family members to please consider giving a donation to this very worthy cause! Any amount helps! Donations will be accepted through Friday, October 30th. The grade that collects the most wins an ice cream float party! Thanks in advance for your generosity ☺

2014-2015 Yearbooks: There are still a few 2014-2015 yearbooks available for sale in the finance office.

Birthday Wishes: The BGMPs faculty, staff, and administration extend birthday wishes to the following student who will be celebrating a birthday next week:

October 27 Colette Leal

We wish Colette a wonderful birthday celebration and ask that God grant her many more years of excellent health of mind, body, and spirit. Enjoy your special day!

Thanksgiving Luncheon: BGMPs will sponsor a Thanksgiving Luncheon for students and their families. The luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, November 19 and will be held in the Kenedy Center/Gymnasium. There will be two lunch shifts, since we anticipate many families will take time to eat with their children on that day. The lunch shifts are as follows:

11:00 a. m.-12:00 p. m.	6 th and 8 th Graders*
12:00-1:00 p. m.	7 th Graders

*For those families who have children in the 6th and 7th Grades or 7th and 8th Grades, you may have lunch with your children in those grades at either lunch shift. I ask that you please let the front office know at what time you will be eating lunch with your children, so that proper arrangements can be made.



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Special Thanks

Special thanks are extended to our PTO Advisory Committee. Under the leadership of Mrs. Lisa Whitmire, our PTO Advisory Committee Chair, this group of parents has done an outstanding job in attaining raffle prizes for our upcoming Christmas Raffle. Their hard work is very much appreciated.

God bless you always!!!

Important Dates in November

Please be aware of these important dates in month of November.

Friday, November 6 – Full Day

Friday, November 13 – Diocesan Teacher In-Service Day – No school for students

Monday, November 16 – Full Day

Thursday, November 19 – Thanksgiving Luncheon

Friday, November 20 – Early Dismissal Day – Students dismissed at 12:30 p. m. – No lunch or Afterschool Care on this day

Please remember to say your prayers and be kind to one another. ☺

Have a wonderful week, and God bless.