



BISHOP GARRIGA MIDDLE
PREPARATORY SCHOOL
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

February 1, 2016



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.

National Catholic Schools' Week: National Catholic Schools' Week is a nation wide celebration of the existence of Catholic schools. NCSW will be celebrated at BGMPs from February 1-5, 2016. Students will participate in various events throughout this week. Please pay heed to the Family Picnic Day the school is sponsoring. We would very much like for you to join your child/ren for this picnic luncheon.

Activities for NCSW are attached.

Holy Mass: Mass will be celebrated this next week on Monday, February 1 at 9:15 a. m. in the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the St. JPII campus. Please know that you are most welcome to attend this Mass and any of our Masses.

BGMPS Prayer Partners: The BGMPS Prayer Partners will be meeting on **Monday, February 8** from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Please join us for this special time of prayer. We continue to pray for our school community, our families, and other school communities in the Diocese.

Open House – February 27: Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School will be sponsoring an Open House on Saturday, February 27 from 9:00 a. m.-1:00 p. m. in the Kenedy Center/Gymnasium. The Open House is for all who are interested in enrolling their son/daughter at our very fine school the 2016-17 school year. This is a great opportunity for you, as parents, to help BGMPS welcome more students to our campus. Invite your friends and relatives to visit our campus for the Open House on Saturday, February 27.

Early Registration Event: Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School is holding its Early Registration Event on Friday, March 4 in the Kenedy Center/Gymnasium from 8:00 a. m.-7:00 p. m. Early registration will be available to current families and families whose children are not yet attending BGMPS. On this day, families will be given the opportunity to register their children at BGMPS for the 2016-17 school year.

Open House – St. John Paul II High School: St. John Paul II High School, our sister school, is sponsoring an Open House for prospective high school students. The Open House will be held on Wednesday, February 3 at 6:00 p. m. in the Cafetorium. Information and campus tours will be available on that evening.

Valentine Dance: BGMPS will be sponsoring a “BG Crusaders Valentine Dance” on Friday, February 5. The Valentine Dance will be held in the Kenedy Center/Gymnasium from 6:00-8:00 p. m. The cost for the dance will be \$15.00 per person. The \$15.00 will cover admission to the dance, food, and a picture by Salazar Photography.



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Shadowing Day: BGMPs has invited students from the exiting grades of Catholic elementary schools to a “Shadowing Day”. The students will be teamed up with BGMPs students and will be involved in various activities to give them a feel for how BGMPs operates during a regular school day. We will encourage these students to enroll at BGMPs the 2016-17 school year. The students will be provided with school and registration information. The dates Catholic elementary school students will be visiting our campus are:

- o St. Patrick Catholic School – February 11
- o Most Precious Blood Catholic School – February 16
- o Ss. Cyril & Methodius Catholic School – Februaury 16
- o Central Catholic Elementary – February 23
- o Holy Family Catholic School – February 23
- o St. Pius X Catholic School – February 25

If you know families from these schools whose children are in the exiting grades, please contact them and encourage them to enroll their children in our very fine school.

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

January 30	Aiden Garcia Marcos Guzman	February 3	Jaime Guerrero Ernie Moreno
January 31	Therese Castillo	February 4	Brigette Esquivel-Escamilla Gage Garza Mr. Michael Derocher
February 2	Jacquelynn Cruz	February 5	Aidan Olivo

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

****Special Announcement****

Parents/Guardians, please be aware of the fact that students will not be able to take their final exams in May if all finances – tuition, fees, service hours, fund raising commitment, etc. – are not current. If you are experiencing a problem with your financial commitment to our school, please contact our school’s Finance Office.



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Prayer
National Catholic Schools Week

God, You are strong and mighty, gentle and compassionate. We know You are always with us, calling us to grow in faith and knowledge as we serve You and one another. Open our ears so that we can hear Your Word speaking to us. Open our hearts so that we can be open to love and serve others as You expect. Help us to be Christ to one another and to recognize Christ in the people we encounter every day. Help us to remember that You are with us in all things and at all times. May all we do please You and give glory to Your Holy Name.
We pray this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Important Dates in January and February

Please be aware of these important dates in months of January and February.

January 31-February 6 – National Catholic Schools' Week

Wednesday, February 3 – Open House – St. John Paul III High School – 6:00 p. m. – Cafetorium

Friday, February 5 – Valentine's Dance – 6:00-8:00 p. m. – Kenedy Center/Gymnasium

Friday, February 26 – Catholic Schools' Night with the Ice Rays – 7:00 p. m. – American Bank Center

Saturday, February 27 – Open House – Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School

9:00 a. m.-1:00 p. m. – Kenedy Center/Gymnasium

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

Have a wonderful week, and God bless.