



BISHOP GARRIGA MIDDLE
PREPARATORY SCHOOL
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

February 29, 2016

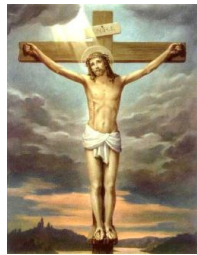


Greetings in the peace and love of Christ! I hope that all is well with you and your family. Please know that I pray for you every day. May God continue to be a beacon of hope in your life.

A Lenten Reflection

Whoever wishes to be great among you shall be your servant. Jesus is telling us about his Passion, Death and Resurrection – for us. Too often we are fighting over which of us is the greatest. To take this journey with Jesus, is to take a journey that draws us to be with Him in it and like Him – a servant of love for others.

“The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for many.”



BGMPS Prayer Partners: The BGMPS Prayer Partners will be meeting on **Monday, March 7** 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.

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.

Year of Mercy 24 Hour Adoration for our Lord: As you are aware, Fr. Patrick Higgins, our school’s Chaplain, is facilitating a Year of Mercy 24 Hour Adoration for our Lord Event. This is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, March 4-5 in the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the St. John Paul II Campus. We encourage students and families from Bishop Garriga Middle Preparatory School and St. John Paul II High School to participate in this Day of Adoration for our Lord. The schedule for this event is attached. It is our hope that people will be present in the Chapel the entire 24 hours. If you plan to participate in this Event, please let the School Office know at what time. This will help us ensure that people will be present at the Chapel the entire 24 hour period.





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Shadowing Day: The “Shadowing Day” event turned out to be a great success! Over the past three weeks, BGMPs welcomed students from the exiting grades of Catholic elementary schools to visit our campus. The comments we have heard from these students and families have been very positive. It is our hope that we will be able to welcome more students to BGMPs next school year and provide to more young people the opportunity of an excellent Catholic education. Please continue to talk to family and friends about BGMPs and encourage them to visit our school.

****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.

Important Announcement

Parents/Guardians, the Diocese of Corpus Christi Office of Catholic Schools has asked for families from all our Catholic schools to complete an anonymous Parent Survey. This Survey will provide needed information to the Office of Catholic Schools as to where our Catholic schools are and what is needed to continue to grow and improve them. Mr. Derocher emailed to you on Friday, February 26 this Survey. Also, your children were given a hard copy of the Survey. Please complete either the hard copy or the one emailed to you and return it to the school office by Monday, February 29. Students of families whose Survey is submitted on Monday, February 29 will receive a “Free Jean Day”. I thank you, in advance for your kind attention to this matter.

A Lenten Prayer

God of Love, through this Lenten journey, purify my desires to serve You. Free me from any temptations to judge others, to place myself above others. Please let me surrender even my impatience with others, that with Your love and Your grace, I might be less and less absorbed with myself, and more and more full of the desire to follow You, in laying down my life according to Your example.

Amen.



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

March 1 Angelica Flores - 8th Grader
March 4 Trey Martinez – 6th Grader

March 2 Carmen Almeida – 8th Grader
 Jorge Campos – 7th Grader

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!

Important Dates in March

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

Friday, March 4 – Early Registration for the 2016-17 School Year – 8:00 a. m.-7:00 p. m. – Kenedy Center/Gymnasium

Friday-Saturday, March 4-5 – Year of Mercy 24 Hour Adoration for our Lord – 11:30 a. m. (Friday) through 11:50 a. m. (Saturday) – Immaculate Conception Chapel, St. John Paul II Campus

March 14-18 – Spring Break

March 20-26 – Holy Week

March 20 – Palm Sunday

March 24 – Holy Thursday – Live Stations of the Cross – 2:00 p. m. – Kenedy Center/Gymnasium

March 25 – Good Friday – No school for BGMPS students

March 26 – Holy Saturday

March 27 – Easter Sunday

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

Have a wonderful week, and God bless.