



The Light

St. Luke Catholic School

September 2, 2015



“Be doers of the word and not hearers only.”

JAS 1:22

Greetings Parents,

As Father Jim’s letter explained, I will be working at St. Luke’s as Interim Principal. It is an honor and a privilege to rejoin such a dynamic community! Please feel free to contact me or Mr. Meyer, with any concerns you may want to discuss. My plan is to uphold all policies and procedures set in place by Mrs. Salazar, this is still her school. I am just here to keep the “wheels in motion” until her return.

I would like to ask the school community to feel free to drop off a card, or any other type of greeting for Mrs. Salazar. The school will ensure that deliveries are made weekly. I know that this will lift her spirit and help her to heal in a special way, when she knows the school community is behind her.

As a reminder, the school Accreditation Visit will begin September 20 through the 23rd. I ask that especially during this time students arrive on time, to avoid interruptions in the classroom, as the team conducts their visits.

We have several students who still have not turned in their immunizations. I will be personally calling families this week. Students who do not return their immunization updates will not be permitted to attend school starting September 14, until up-to-date shot records are brought to the school.

Thank you for allowing me to interact with your children, and to uphold the stellar reputation St. Luke’s has had for over 50 years.

Blessings,
Rita Graves, Interim Principal

From the Nurse:

Parents and Guardians,

For the safety of the St. Luke Community, please keep children home when they are sick. Remember that students need to be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school. Medication will not be given at school unless a [Medication Permission Request](#) form is signed by the student’s doctor and brought to the health room. Thank you for your continued compliance with these safety regulations.

Alana Eckhart, RN

Supplemental Student Accident Insurance

All St. Luke students are covered by a medical insurance policy for school related activities (At-School Accident Plan) that is supplemental to any other insurance your child may have. This coverage may be extended to a supplemental “24-hour Accident Plan”. More information is available at www.texaskidsfirst.com. To receive a brochure or for more information you may also call 800-366-8354.

A look ahead: First noon dismissal of the school year, Friday, September 4. After-school care will be available until 6:00 p.m.

Monday, September 7, No School, Labor Day

**Virtue of the Month for September
Self Control**

Our Mission

Our mission is to educate our students to excel in high school and in life and to inspire our students to live as faith-filled Catholics.

 <p>St. Luke Catholic School educate. <i>inspire.</i></p>		<p>2 Volleyball vs. MSH Beginner Strings, 3:30-4:30, Church PTC Board Mtg., 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>3 Mass led by 4th gr., 8:15 Volleyball at St. Pius Soccer vs. St. Pius</p>	<p>4 “Civvies Day”, PTC Civvies Day coupon required NOON DISMISSAL Football vs. St. Matthew</p>	5
6	<p>7 NO SCHOOL LABOR DAY</p>	<p>8 Volleyball vs. St. Matthew Choir, 3:30 to 4:15, Church</p>	<p>9 Beginner Strings, 3:30-4:30, Church Soccer at Holy Spirit, 4:30</p>	<p>10 Mass led by 8A, 8:15 Advanced Strings, 3:30-4:30, Music Rm. Room Parent Mtg., 6:00pm, GCL</p>	<p>11</p> <p>12 Football vs. OLPH at CCHS, 11:00 a.m.</p> 



The Rebels teams are off to a good start. The football team scored a great victory over Holy Spirit, 26-0. At the Holy Spirit volleyball tournament, the B-team placed consolation, the A-team finished in 3rd place.

Visit the [Athletics](#) page for team schedules. Come out and support your Rebels!



2016 Parish Guidebook and Directory

If you are interested in placing an ad in the 2015 St. Luke Parish Guidebook and Directory, please contact Andrea Thompson in the Parish Office at 210-433-2777, ext. 146.

**Altar Servers Workshop
4th- 8th Grade**

Date: Sat., Sept. 19, 2015
Time: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Place: Church (Training)

Prospective altar servers must be 10 years of age or entered 4th grade this school year.

Please refer to the flyer that was sent home with students in 4th-8th grades. You may contact Maggie Quintero, Altar Server Coordinator, at 210-535-8484 with any questions. A required parents' meeting will be held at 11:30 a.m. in the St. Joseph's Room.



**Catholic Life Insurance
Sweepstake Raffle**

Tickets for the 2016 Catholic Life Insurance Sweepstakes Raffle are now available in the school office. Please contact Lisa Holguin at 210-286-2489 with any questions.

PTC

PTC "Civvies" Day

Friday, September 4, is the first PTC "Civvies" Day for this school year. Please refer to page 19 in the *Parent and Student Handbook* for "Civvies" Day attire guidelines. Students dressed in "Civvies" on Friday must present a coupon to their homeroom teacher.

If you have not already purchased "Civvies" Day coupons for your student, PTC Board members will be selling coupons on Thurs., Sept. 3, from 7:30 to 8:00 a.m. and 2:45 to 3:15 p.m. outside the school office. Coupons will also be sold from After-school Care pick up from 5:15 to 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.

**Chick-fil-A and Peter Piper Pizza
Yearly Pay Options**

There is still time to participate in the Yearly Pay Option for the PTC lunches. The Pizza Order form has been revised to reflect that the 1st pizza lunch has already taken place. Never miss another PTC lunch deadline! The forms will be posted in the News area of the [PTC page](#) on the school website. The forms should be posted by Thursday (Sept. 3) in the afternoon. Contact information for PTC Board members can also be found on the PTC page.

Room Parents 2015-2016

Many thanks to the following parents who will serve as room parents for the 2015-2016 school year. Room parents help run events and activities for our students throughout the year.

PKA: Jessica Lomas; PKB: Jennifer Gonzalez; KA: Marisol Figueroa; KB: Christine Ramos (Asst., Stephanie Samaniego); 1A: Briana Heinz; 1B: Monika Sanchez (Asst., Gabriela Rodriguez); 2B: Maria Perez (Asst., Sandy Fuentes); 3A: Lisa Armstrong (Assts., Suzanne Rodriguez, Marissa Limas); 3B: Kristi Magaro (Asst., Andrea Andrade-Ahumada); 4A: Cyria Jaramillo; 4B: Jessica Peoples; 5A: Mary Ponce; 5B: Tina Duffy; 6A: Sandra Gonzales; 6B: Mari Arredondo; 7A: Angie Alonzo; 8A: Terry Tijerina; 8B: Lena Camarillo.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER . . .

Establishing Daily Homework Time

With another school year under way, most families have very busy schedules. Where does homework fit in when music lessons, dance lessons, sports events, family commitments, etc. are on the daily agenda?

You can help your children view homework as a priority in their lives by establishing a daily homework time. Agree in advance on a time when children will be asked to concentrate only on homework, without the distractions of computers, video games, phones, or TV.

Children cannot do homework effectively late at night, and should not regard homework as something to be done after all other activities have been attended to. Homework must have a definite place in your children's schedule. According to Lee Canter, author of *Homework Without Tears*, when you establish daily homework time, you are giving your children the message that homework is a number-one priority in your home.

**We Could Not Have
Done it Without You!**

A heartfelt thank you to the following volunteers who helped us run our first PTC lunch so smoothly: Malorie Lopez, Leanda Rodarte, Cyria Jaramillo, Ernest Rodriguez, Young Yuchnitz, Lucinda Montes, Erica Garcia-Frausto, Julie Malouff, and Monica Rodriguez

Engineering FUNDamentals

Students in grades 3-5 received a flyer about the Engineering FUNDamentals Program. This is an after-school activity that focuses on concepts in physics, engineering and architecture through hands-on projects. After-school classes will be held on Thursdays starting Sept. 17 through Nov. 19 from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. Click [here](#) to visit the Play-Well website for more information. Follow the link "find a program near you" to register online (please do not send registrations or monies to the school office) for classes that will be held at St. Luke.