



MISSION

Queen of All Saints School is a *culturally diverse* Catholic community dedicated to developing the whole child with compassion and integrity. Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Oakland educate children in the Catholic *faith* and nurture their minds, bodies, and soul, *inspiring* them to live the *Gospel* of Jesus Christ, achieve their highest *academic* and creative potential, and actively *serve* and enrich the *community*.

SAINTS' Scoop Newsletter

November 14, 2018

Dear Queen of All Saints Families,

As we head into Thanksgiving break, we are thankful for the blessings that have been bestowed upon us. We are thankful for the Veterans who joined us for our Veterans assembly. They patiently answered questions from the students, and shared their stories with us. We are grateful for their service, and were honored to have them join us. We pray for the families affected by the recent wildfires, that they find strength, comfort, and hope in the prayers that we offer. Bishop Soto, Diocese of Sacramento, has provided information regarding ways in which we can support the fire victims. We will be using proceeds from our upcoming December 9th Bake Sale to donate to the victims, and we will be discussing other ways in which the school can help. Please see below for suggestions from the Diocese of Sacramento if you would like to make a donation on your own.

The safety of our children is of the utmost importance to us, so we are grateful for the way in which our families cooperated and worked with us during last week's Evacuation Drill. Although we can never be sure of when a real emergency may occur, the careful planning and preparation that goes into a drill will help us to act quickly and efficiently when and if needed. The whole school evacuation drill walk-through is something that we do every two years. The faculty and staff have walk-throughs and practice the pod drills frequently along with monthly fire drills. Thank you for making this year's drill a success.

Another way we are keeping the students safe is by working with the Contra Costa Water District for lead sampling of the school's drinking water. The water district sampled the drinking water from our outdoor drinking faucets and indoor sinks. The lead sampling is required of all schools. We are happy to report the good news that our drinking water is safe and no corrective action is required, and that we are providing the children with a safe school environment.

Heavenly Father, on Thanksgiving Day, we bow our hearts to You and pray. We give You thanks for all You've done, especially for the gift of Jesus, Your Son. For beauty in nature, Your glory we see, for joy and health, friends, and family. For daily provision, Your mercy and care, these are the blessings You graciously share. So today we offer this response of praise with a promise to follow You all of our days.

— Mary Fairchild

Wishing to donate money to assist those in need may do so in the following ways:

- **Donate by mail:** Send checks to Diocese of Sacramento Fire Assistance Fund, 2110 Broadway, Sacramento, CA 95818
- **Donate by phone:** Call The Catholic Foundation at (916) 733-0266
- **Donate online:** Visit www.scd.org/donate and choose the Fire Assistance Fund

ADDITIONAL WAYS TO DONATE:

The **North Valley Community Foundation** has two funds: The Camp Fire Evacuation Relief Fund and the Butte County Schools Fire Relief Fund. Donors can make an open gift to the school fund, or designate a specific use, like textbooks or school supplies. Donations are accepted through the foundations' website. Monetary donations may also be made to the American Red Cross. Visit www.redcross.org, call 1-800-733-2767 or text the word REDCROSS to 90999 to make a \$10 donation.

The United Way of Northern California is taking donations for its NorCal Fire Relief Fund through its [website](#) and by text: send the message BUTTEFIRE to 91999.

Blessings,
Lucia Prince

HOME – SCHOOL CONNECTION

School Messenger Messages

Last Friday, at the start of our emergency evacuation drill, a SMS text message was sent to all of our school families. Our message was blocked by many of the numbers. If you did not receive the text from School Messenger, please change your phone settings to allow these messages to be delivered. In the event of an emergency we would try to contact every family via text, email and phone.

TK & Kindergarten Advent Service Project (November 14th-December 5th)

Please help us collect socks for those in need this winter! Kindergarten & Transitional Kindergarten will be leading an Advent Service Project. We will be collecting new socks for children and adults for the Monument Crisis Center. Please assist us in helping to warm the feet of those in need!

Message from Mrs. Davis

Give the gift of Dance this Christmas

Our second dance session will begin January 22nd and students will be able to participate in our yearly musical. Sign up forms will be sent home this week.

Also coming home this week, sign ups for QAS Christmas events (all grades).

PACE News

Double Good Fundraising Opportunity (11/9 - 11/28)

PACE helps QAS families reach their annual fundraising goal with these delicious popcorn treats! Order forms went home yesterday. Fundraising dates are **November 9th - November 28th**.

Box Tops

Thank you for supporting our Box Tops program. We have already received over 20% of our school goal for the year. Keep clipping the Box Tops in your pantry! Class Contest information attached!

Next General PACE Meeting is tonight, November 14th at 6PM in the Innovation Lab (kinder wing). All are welcome to attend.

Santa's Coming to Town! Sign up to help with *Breakfast with Santa* here:

<http://bit.ly/QASSanta2018>

Questions? Contact PACE at gasconcordpace@gmail.com or visit <http://qasconcord.org/pace>

Advisory School Board

Bake Sale

Our December Bake Sale will be Sunday, December 9th. If you would like to contribute, please see sign up (coming soon).

Engraved Bricks

If you purchased an engraved brick, please join us for a blessing and celebration on Friday, November 30th at 6:00pm in the Hennessy Room. We will be serving light refreshments following Father Neal's blessing.

Would you like to donate directly to our school? It's easy when you can Text-to-Give at the toll free number right from your phone. Text the word "Donate" and the amount you would like to generously donate (i.e. Donate\$25), at the number (910) 387-4098.

We are still accepting orders for half-day Los Panchos lunch. If you are interested in placing an order, please see order form (page 5). We are in need of a volunteer to help pick up and distribute these orders. If you can help on these half day Wednesdays, please contact Mrs. Gray.

Want to have a special "Happy Birthday" shout out to your QAS student? You can have a special message displayed on our school sign (Bacon Street side) for only \$25. See Mrs. Gray for details.

Our next Board meeting will be tomorrow, Nov. 15th at 6pm (*note time change) in the Faculty Room.

If you have any questions, please contact Erleen Richards at erleen.richards@gmail.com

LESSONS FOR THE SUNDAY GOSPELS – (sermons4kids.com)

Who Can You Believe?

Jesus was sitting with his disciples near the temple in Jerusalem when he said to them, "Watch out that no one deceives you. Many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am the Messiah.' They will deceive many people."



Jesus went on to warn his disciples about some of the things that people would claim were signs of the end of the world. "You will hear about wars and stories of wars to come. Don't be afraid, these things happen, but the end is not yet here. There will be earthquakes and many people will go hungry, but this is just the beginning."

How do we test the truthfulness of advertising claims? For one thing, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is! But how do we test the truthfulness of our spiritual leaders? The best way is to compare their claims to the teachings of Jesus. Do their teachings agree with what Jesus taught?

If not, we should read the Bible and ask God to help us to understand the teachings of Jesus. Another way is through prayer. When in doubt, ask God to help us determine what is true and what is not.

Heavenly Father, Jesus warned us about false teachers. Help us to read your Word and understand its teachings so that we will not be easily misled. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

WEEKLY CALENDAR/UPCOMING EVENTS

School calendar is available on the school website at <http://www.gasconcord.org/calendar-1>

Wednesday, November 14	2:30 p.m. dismissal 1 st Grade field trip to Generations Health Care Report cards 2:30 – 4pm, Basketball practice, Coach Gundayao's 2/3 rd grade team 2:30 – 4pm, Basketball practice, Coach Alexa's 6 th grade girl's team
Thursday, November 15	3:00 p.m. dismissal PE Uniform 3:15 – 5:00pm, basketball practice, Coach Pisciotto's 8 th grade team 3:15 – 5:00pm, basketball practice, Coach Jone's 6 th and 7 th grade team
Friday, November 16	3:00 p.m. dismissal Thanksgiving Prayer Service / Student Government & SLE Assembly @ 2:00pm
November 19-23	Thanksgiving Break
Monday, November 26	School resumes 3:00 p.m. dismissal
Tuesday, November 27	3:00 p.m. dismissal PE Uniform 3:15 – 4:30pm, basketball practice, Coach Massis's 3 rd grade team 3:15 – 5:00pm, basketball practice, Coach Pisciotto's 8 th grade team 3:15 – 5:00pm, basketball practice, Coach Jone's 6 th and 7 th grade team
Wednesday, November 28	2:30 p.m. dismissal 2:30 – 4pm, Basketball practice, Coach Gundayao's 2/3 rd grade team 2:30 – 4pm, Basketball practice, Coach Alexa's 6 th grade girl's team
Thursday, November 29	3:00 p.m. dismissal PE Uniform 3:15 – 5:00pm, basketball practice, Coach Pisciotto's 8 th grade team 3:15 – 5:00pm, basketball practice, Coach Jone's 6 th and 7 th grade team
Friday, November 30	3:00 p.m. dismissal
Saturday, December 1	Mayor's Sing-Along

