



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

March 27, 2019

Dear Queen of All Saints Families,

In this 3rd week of Lent, we have so much to be grateful for. We have had many visitors at school this week who have been interested in learning about our programs. A visitor earlier this week from Silicon Valley Schools would like to help us advance our Innovation Lab to encourage creativity and student engagement, and a group of teachers from Saratoga came to learn about our math program to see if it would be a good fit for their students. I met with members of the newly formed Lumen Christi Academy Executive Board to speak to them about the vision for our school, as we continue to innovate and develop our school programs. I told them that we are running out of space for all the things we want to do! The future of Queen of All Saints is bright with so many possibilities for the children to continue learning and growing spiritually, academically and social-emotionally. I share with everyone I meet that our school is a joyful community full of life, with a culture and spirit of sharing, collaborating, and love. Thank you for walking this journey with us and being true partners in educating our children.

Congratulations to our Young Authors Faire winners! This is a very competitive event with thousands of entries submitted across the 39 diocesan schools. Entries were carefully selected for submission and students had to follow careful guidelines for their book to be considered. We are very proud of the work that all of our students submitted, and wish we could have sent all of the books to the faire. See page 4 of the Scoop for the list of winning entries from Queen of All Saints. These students will be honored at a special awards ceremony, and will receive a Young Authors Faire certificate and a Scholastic Books certificate to spend at the award ceremony.

Congratulations also to QAS Alumna Athena S., sister of Darius (5th grade) who received the Jefferson Award at Carondelet for outstanding community service. Athena is very active in her community, volunteering her time to Queen of All Saints, Concord Jr. Giants, City of Concord Senior Center, 4th of July Parade, Be A Santa To A Senior, etc. Athena's parents stated that they are "very proud parents to have enrolled Athena in a faith based catholic education".

We are proud to be SAINTS!

Blessings,
Lucia Prince



HOME – SCHOOL CONNECTION

Summer Camp – Be A Summer SAINT

Can you believe that summer is just around the corner? Making sure that our students have a fun and safe place to spend their summer days, we are happy to once again offer summer camp, academic classes and afternoon care for the weeks of June 17 – July 19. We will offer 2-weeks of fun summer camp classes that include STEM, maker's space, creative arts and cooking, and 3-

weeks of academic classes for Reading and Math review and practice. You can sign up to join us for 1-week or all 5-weeks. Friends and neighbors who attend a Catholic school or are part of the parish faith formation program are also welcome to attend. Registration information is available on the school website or in the school office.

Graduate Gift Idea

Looking for a unique gift for a QAS graduate? The memorial bricks are a great way to honor your student's time at Queen of All Saints School. We are accepting orders through April. You can order your brick directly online, or fill out the attached form below and return to the office. <https://qasconcord.org/brick>

School Musical, this Friday and Saturday

Tickets for the school musical "Thoroughly Modern Millie" are now available. Please visit Eventbrite.com to purchase your tickets or use link here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/thoroughly-modern-millie-jr-tickets-58015041551?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

Donation and volunteer opportunities:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A4DA9AB2F4-thoroughly>

PACE News

Our Saints did amazing at the QAS Run for Fun!

The final tally of pledges will be counted later today and prizes distributed by the end of the week. Thank you to all of the volunteers who made this day possible. A special thanks to Coach Schonder!

A summary of the Run for Fun is available here:

<https://sites.google.com/site/qasfunrun2019/>

This site is updated by PACE and may not reflect the full amount raised.



See's Candy Update

Thank you to all the families who participated in the See's Candy fundraiser; it was a huge success. We sold a total of **\$3,930**, with 50% credited toward family fundraising accounts. Great job Saints! Orders will be delivered to the school on April 4 and will be available for pickup Thursday 4/4 & Friday 4/5 after school, location TBD. Sign up to help distribute the orders here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4EAEAE28A20-sees>

Family Dance Night - Friday, April 12th (6:30PM - 8:30PM)

Students can invite their parents or guardians to join them for a night of fun and dancing. Junior High (6th-8th) students will have a *student only* dance in the Hennessy Room with Faculty Supervision. This event is FREE, so come and dance the night away with us! Please RSVP here:

<http://bit.ly/QASFamDanceRSVP2019>

Service Hour Opportunity: <http://bit.ly/qasfamilydance2019> The Family Dance Night will be the final PACE event opportunity to complete your required family service hours for the 2018 - 2019 school year.

Faculty Appreciation Lunch

1st Grade will host, April 10, 2019

Next General PACE Meeting is Wednesday, April 10th at 6PM in the Innovation Lab (Kinder wing). All are welcome to attend. Questions? Contact PACE at qasconcordpace@gmail.com or visit <http://qasconcord.org/pace>

Advisory School Board

The School Board wishes to send our deepest condolences to our Board member Yolanda Galvan and her family, on the passing of our beloved Roland Galvan, who was also one of our very treasured Board members. We thank him for all his years of service and commitment to our school. He will truly be missed by all of us.

Donating Made Easy!



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), to the number **(910) 387-4098**.

Memorial Brick Campaign



Orders are coming in! Don't miss your chance to get your brick for phase two. We are accepting orders through April. Great for graduates, showing support to your student athlete or to simply add your family name to QAS history. If you would like to purchase a brick to be installed for our next phase, you can order online (see school website), or fill out the attached form below and return to the office. <https://qasconcord.org/brick>

Playground Expansion Project (PEP)



Plans to start installation for the playground pieces are set for this Saturday (weather permitting). Thank you to the committee to help make this happen for our school!

Saints Spirit Store Online



You can now shop for your favorite fan-wear here:

<https://www.sportpacks.com/QueenOfAllSaints> With every purchase five percent goes back to our school!

Bake Sale



Our last bake sale will be Sunday, April 7th. Please use link to sign up.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4CACAF2CA31-april>

As a reminder, please bring your baked goods at the time indicated in order for them to be ready to sell on time. Also, if you are not able to keep your commitment, please remove your name from the sign-up or contact event chairperson, listed on the Sign-up Genius. We appreciate your understanding.

Happy Birthday To You



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.

Social Sharing



We want to encourage those that follow QAS on social media to not only 'like' what you see, but also 'share' with your friends and family all the great things happening at our school.

Our next Board meeting will be **Tuesday, April 30th at 6:30pm** in the Faculty Room. If you have any questions, please contact Erleen Richards at erleen.richards@gmail.com

Winning Entries, Young Author Book Faire

Kindergarten Class

- Class Book: Honorable Mention – Spending the Day with Jesus

1st Grade

- Valentina Gonzales –Fiction: Honorable Mention – The Princess Mermaids Save the Day Vol. 1
- Class Book: Honorable Mention – What Does the Tooth Fairy Do with All These Teeth?

2nd Grade

- Christopher Cardoza - Fiction: Second Place – The Escape of the Hersheys

3rd Grade

- Ashley Espina – Poetry: 1st Place – The Book of Poems
- Troy Martinez – Religious: 1st Place – The Children’s Book of the Rosary
- Anton Masiss – Graphic Novel: 1st Place – Mr. Amazing
- Caleb Dodds – Fiction: 2nd Place – Jackson’s Adventure in Hawaii
- Jayden Drury – Autobiography: 2nd Place – Drury Family History

4th Grade

- Anthony Academia – Religious: 1st Place – God’s Amazing Creations
- Jacob Dionson – Fiction: 2nd Place – A Knight’s Shining Armor
- Marcelo Correa – Special Genre: Honorable Mention – Fam Fix Mix

5th Grade

- Class Book: 1st Place – The Poems of Us

6th Grade

- Gianna Griego – Poetry: 2nd Place – Deep Thoughts of a Sixth Grade Girl
- Marcos Reyes – Religious: 2nd Place – The Last String
- Sofia Cruz – Special Genre: Honorable Mention – Sofia’s Cookbook

7th Grade

- Anthony Cardoza – Graphic Novel: 1st Place – Rick the Kid
- Miriam Pulido – Special Genre: 1st Place – Unbelievable Super-Cool Outrageous Funny and Amazing Jokes
- Natalie Gungon – Special Genre: 2nd Place – Oh Brother
- Sarabjot Kullar – Autobiography: Honorable Mention – The American Dream
- Abigail Sengendo – Poetry: Honorable Mention – Life of Poetry

8th Grade

- Femee Academia – Children’s Book: Honorable Mention – Leo the Lion and His Zodiac Friends

Three Wishes

Wouldn't it be wonderful to have your every wish come true? You might think so, but the truth is, sometimes the things we wish for are not good for us. That is what a young man discovered in today's Bible story. Our Bible story today is about a young man who had three wishes.

1. He wished for a lot of money.
2. He wished to travel and see the world.
3. He wished he could be his own boss.

The young man got his wishes, but they were not granted to him by a genie. The young man went to his father and asked him to give him the inheritance that would be his when his father died. Even though the father was sad that his son wanted to leave, he gave him his share of the family fortune and the young man left home and traveled all around the world. He visited all of the places he had always wanted to visit and did whatever he wanted to do. He was happy that no one was telling him what to do. Since the young man had a lot of money, if he saw something he wanted, he bought it, and since he had a lot of money, he also had many friends.

This sounds like very happy story, doesn't it? Well, that isn't the end of the story. After a while, the young man ran out of money. When he ran out of money, his friends ran out on him. He was so desperate that he went to work for a man who sent him to feed his pigs. The young man was so hungry that he would gladly have eaten the food he was feeding to the pigs. As he looked at the filthy pig pen, he thought about the mess he had made of his life. He thought about his father and the home he had left behind.

"Even a servant in my father's house lives better than this," the young man said to himself. "I will return to my father and tell him that I am sorry for the way I have behaved and ask him to give me a job as one of his servants."

Do you think the father was willing to take him back? Yes, but not as a servant. He welcomed him back home as a son. He called his servants together and told them, "Let's have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was lost, but now is found."

Well, the story had a happy ending after all, didn't it? This story that Jesus told is really a story about you and me and the way we sometimes behave.

Sometimes you and I make bad choices "just like the young man in our story. We sometimes wish for things that are not good for us. We sometimes don't want to listen to God and obey what the Bible tells us we should do. When we act that way, we really make a mess of our life. Well, I have good news for you! Just like the father in our story, God, our Heavenly Father, is always willing to take us back if we will admit that we were wrong and return to Him.

Dear Father, we sometimes make bad choices. Thank you for being a loving Father who will always take us back when we come home to you. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.



WEEKLY CALENDAR/UPCOMING EVENT

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

Wednesday, March 27	2:30pm dismissal
Thursday, March 28	3:00 p.m. dismissal PE Uniform
Friday, March 29	3:00 p.m. dismissal 2:15 p.m. Stations of the Cross, in the Church School Musical, "Thoroughly Modern Millie", 7:00pm
Saturday, March 30	School Musical, "Thoroughly Modern Millie", 7:00pm
Monday, April 1	3:00 p.m. dismissal 8:30 a.m. Mass
Tuesday, April 2	3:00 p.m. dismissal PE Uniform
Wednesday, April 3	12:00pm dismissal
Thursday, April 4	3:00 p.m. dismissal PE Uniform
Friday, April 5	3:00 p.m. dismissal 2:15 p.m. Stations of the Cross, in the Church