

**Catholic School Sweepstakes**  
– sponsored by *Catholic Life Insurance* –

We are participating in the Catholic Life Sweepstakes for Catholic schools. We will be using the money to fund club and sports activities. Tickets are going home with your student today.

***100% of the money raised comes directly to our school!***

**Goals:**

- a. 100% participation of our students.
- b. Raise \$20,000 by selling 4,000 tickets.
- c. Raise awareness of our school.

40 tickets per student today. More tickets are available by filling out the request form.

**Student Responsibilities:**

1. The purchaser must complete the ticket stub fully in order to be eligible to win.
2. The student keeps the ticket stub with the information on it. The purchaser kept the other part but does not need it in order to claim the prize.  
*(Note: Checks will be made out to John Paul II Catholic High School).*
3. The students have been provided with a white envelope to turn in sold tickets and money.
4. The student will place sold tickets, verified cash and checks in the envelope provided and seal the envelope with the parent. Complete the outside of provided envelope.
5. Tickets will be delivered to the student's Solidarity teacher each Tuesday during Solidarity time.
6. If a student sells all of the original tickets and would like more, please fill out the request form below and turn in to the student's Solidarity teacher on Tuesday during Solidarity time.
7. All tickets sold or unsold must be returned by 10 January 2012.

**Catholic Life Additional Ticket Request**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Solidarity Teacher:** \_\_\_\_\_

**# of Tickets Requested:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Incentives for **November 1, 2011 Deadline**
  - If Student body sells \$2,400 (5 tickets per student), Blue & Gold dress.
  - Solidarity group with the most tickets sold receives ice cream party.
  - Students with 20 tickets sold will be in a drawing for a symphony voucher.
  - Students with 40 tickets will be in a drawing. Winner will have a choice of a t-shirt, draw string bag, sweatshirt or winter hat from the school store.
  - Students receive one **FREE DRESS** for every 10 tickets sold above the original 40 tickets. **FREE DRESS PASSES** will be handed out weekly as earned.
  
- Incentives for **November 15, 2011 Deadline**
  - Students with 40 tickets will be in a drawing. Winner will have a choice of a t-shirt, draw string bag, sweatshirt or winter hat from the school store.
  - Students receive one **FREE DRESS** for every 10 tickets sold above the original 40.
  
- Incentives for **November 29, 2011 Deadline**
  - Students with 40 tickets will be in a drawing. Winner will have a choice of a t-shirt, draw string bag, sweatshirt or winter hat from the school store.
  - Students receive one **FREE DRESS** for every 10 tickets sold above the original 40.
  
- Incentives for **December 6, 2011 Deadline**
  - School reaches \$14,400 (30 tickets per student), Blue & Gold dress **entire** exam week.
  - School reaches \$17,280 (36 tickets per student), Blue & Gold dress entire exam week **AND free pizza lunches** on December 12 and 13, 2011.
  - Solidarity group with the most tickets sold receives ice cream party.
  - Students with 40 tickets will be in a drawing. Winner will have a choice of a t-shirt, draw string bag, sweatshirt or winter hat from the school store.
  - Students receive one **FREE DRESS** for every 10 tickets sold above the original 40.
  
- Incentives for **January 10, 2012 Deadline**
  - School reaches \$18,240 (38 tickets per student), early dismissal January 13, 2012.
  - All Solidarity groups with average sales of 20 tickets per student receive a homework pass.
  - All Solidarity groups with average sales of 40 tickets per student receive a quiz pass **AND A FREE DRESS PASS.**
  - If \$12,2500 tickets are sold, the top 3 selling Solidarity groups win a pizza party from Catholic Life
  - Students with 40 tickets will be in a drawing on January 12. Winner will have a choice of a t-shirt, draw string bag, sweatshirt or winter hat from the school store.
  - Students receive one **FREE DRESS** for every 10 tickets sold above the original 40.
  - TOWN CRIER AWARD: Student selling 30 or more tickets to the most individual households receives \$50 Visa gift card.

**INCENTIVE AWARD DATES ARE POSTED ON BULLETIN BOARD**

# Portae

THE NEWSLETTER FOR  
JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

7 October 2011

## **FIRST FRIDAY – EARLY RELEASE REMINDER**

*A friendly reminder – all First Fridays of each month are 2 p.m. dismissal days.*

## **CATHOLIC LIFE RAFFLE BEGINS ON MONDAY**

Catholic Life Insurance provides an excellent opportunity for Catholic Schools to raise money through their annual sweepstakes. We will be again running this fundraiser. (We did so in 2009, but not last year.)

Catholic Life has helped schools raise over \$1.5 million dollars over the last five years. Every dollar raised goes straight to John Paul II student activities. We are asking all of our families to help with this special effort.

Raffle tickets will go home with your student Monday, 10 October along with the informative letter attached to this newsletter. We introduced the raffle to our students on Thursday at a Catholic Life pep rally.

## **PARENT MEETING ON MONDAY, 10 OCTOBER**

**A reminder that the second Monday of the month is our Monthly Parent Meeting.** We will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the media center this week. The presentation will include updates from the Guardian Parent Group, the School Council, and the administration, including a review of the Guardians Gala and a review of the upcoming Founders Weekend.

We are pleased that we will welcome that evening Shahrzad Sameri, our admissions office representative from Texas A&M University. She will be doing a presentation on college applications: an overview of the process/do's and don'ts/suggestions.

## **PSAT TESTING ON WEDNESDAY, 12 OCTOBER 2011**

We will be on a special schedule, along with Blue and Gold Dress on Wednesday, 12 October 2011. The testing will begin at 8:15, once all students have arrived. Testing will conclude at approximately 11:45-Noon. We will have some classes meeting in the afternoon on Wednesday. This is an important day for juniors as the test is for qualifying for the National Merit Scholars Program. For all students – freshman, sophomores, and juniors – the PSAT is excellent SAT practice.

## **8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE VISITS ON-GOING**

**St. Monica's and St. James: Thursday, 13 October 2011**

**OLPH: Tuesday, 18 October 2011**

**Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday, 26 October 2011**

If you are a parent from that school, and can spend time here that morning, that would be great. We receive them as visitors at 8:40 a.m., and so that would be a time to be here. Following Mass (9:50) is a time for a reception with cookies and juice, similarly a great time to talk and share. All three schools typically bring some parents to tour on their school's day.

## **OPEN HOUSE**

We are running a large Open House on Sunday, 23 October 2011, here on campus from 12:30 – 4:00 p.m. We need as many of our students and parents to attend. On the counter in the front is a sign-up sheet.



## MASS DAY CHANGES

To coincide with 8<sup>th</sup> grade visits and due to the PSAT testing, there are some changes to Mass days:

*Thursday, 13 October 2011 (not Wed. that week)*

*Tuesday, 18 October 2011 (not Wed. that week)*

*Wednesday, 26 October 2011 – we will be back on Wednesdays*



## THURSDAY MORNING COFFEE TIME

A reminder: Thursday mornings, 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. free coffee for parents. Prayer group at 8:30 a.m., in school chapel room. Stop by if you can!



## FOUNDERS WEEKEND – 27, 28, & 29 OCTOBER 2011

This special event is fast approaching – it is the perfect weekend to invite friends, ACTS team members, relatives, classmates, neighbors...

**Thursday, 27 October – Late Night with John Paul II - Pep Rally/Bonfire – without the fire part** (*burn ban*) – 9 p.m. start! No school the next day – college fair in San Antonio beforehand

**Friday, 28 October – Football game at Steele High School's campus field – 7:30 p.m. kick-off**

*6 p.m. – car decorating contest before.*

**Saturday, 29 October – Chili Cook-off, a morning of family fun**

*10 a.m. Mass – with Fr. Albert Hubertus at St. Joseph's Chapel*

*11 a.m. Chili Cook-off – at the JPII Campus*

*11:00 AM - 1:00 PM*

*2nd Annual Chili Cook Off & 1st Annual Dessert Bake Off*

*12:00 - 2:00 PM*

*Family fun: Hay Rides, Kids Games, Icees, & commemorative photo booth (sponsored by photo club). Hot Dogs, Chips, Sodas for kids.*



## COLLEGE FAIRS!

**Thursday, 27 October, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at St. Mary's University (Greehey Arena).**

**Note:** That Thursday, 27 October, is also the night we have planned for the night pep rally for Founders' Weekend. We are attempting to make it possible for students to attend the college fair and participate in a pep rally back here at the school.



## JOHN PAUL II CLASS RINGS

*Thursday, October 27, 2011 from 10:30-11:00 a.m. in the school cafeteria.*

Matt Grochett from Herff Jones will be here to present the Class of 2013 with the available choices for class rings. He will also be discussing a payment plan at this time. If your schedule permits, all parents are welcome...

• On November 3rd Matt will return to take orders, and size the students who choose to purchase a ring.

In Spring 2012, there will be a ring ceremony and blessing at a Mass. This date has not been set, but will be an evening event to allow families and friends to attend. This will become a JPII tradition.



## PRO-LIFE UPDATE

**40-Days for Life:** It's that time of year again! This month is the month of Mary and in honor of her "yes" to **God's** call, pro-lifers from all over the world gather for one-hour time intervals in front of the local abortion clinics to pray and to be witnesses to those less educated about life matters. We hope to get a group to go on a Saturday sometime before it's over, but at this point we're not sure quite how workable that will be. Nevertheless, we encourage you to plan individual sessions.

**PARENTS:** You are just as much a part of this as your teens! Many parents take their teens, middle schoolers, and small children along with them. In some instances in the U.S., Planned Parenthoods have actually closed down because of these efforts. If you are interested, sign up on the calendar at [www.sacfl.org](http://www.sacfl.org). Here are your options: Planned Parenthood 104 Babcock Rd. (7 a.m. – 7 p.m.—Every day), or Reproductive Services 5838 Joiner Rd. (7 a.m. – 7 p.m.—Saturdays only). If you plan to take small children, we suggest going on a Sunday when the clinics are not open until you've gone on a Saturday to see if you're comfortable bringing your children or not. Also note that youth hour is every Saturday from 12-1 pm and we highly recommend going at this time. These hours are very peaceful. If you are worried about violence, don't be. You can talk to Dr. Foster, Clare Friesenhahn, or Mary Grace Gagnon about their personal experiences and for more information if you are worried or if you have questions of any kind.

# SAN ANTONIO COALITION FOR LIFE

Working for God to end abortion through the power of prayer

## **Policies and Procedures for Prayer Warriors**

1. Minimum of 2 people at the clinic at all times
2. Everyone must sign the Statement of Peace
3. We will provide signs at the clinic. Because this style of protest is relatively new to San Antonio, we are working to put the pro-life movement in as positive a light as possible so please no graphic or controversial signs are to be used by our volunteers.
4. Please keep in mind the ultimate goal of our presence in front of the clinic. Socialization is encouraged and we understand that many will be in front of the clinic for extended periods of time. Understanding that, we must also show the community that we are a peaceful, prayerful, and passionate group of people whose purpose is to “speak for those who cannot speak for themselves.”
5. You may pray in any way you see fit, be it: praying the rosary, reading from the bible, singing, or reading from any prayer booklets. Prayer is a very personal thing – pray in the way you are most comfortable as long as it is in a peaceful, non-confrontational manner.
6. PLEASE, PLEASE do not speak to the clients or volunteers of the Planned Parenthood unless you have been trained to do so.
7. The sidewalk is public right of way. Please do not step on the Planned Parenthood black top, which is private property or in the driveway between the Planned Parenthood and the Clinica del Norte.
8. Parking: Please park in the Restaurant Depot parking lot just north of the Planned Parenthood on Babcock R. You may park in any of the spots in the middle or up against the building. Do NOT park in the spots that line Babcock Rd. up against the hedge.

Questions or concerns? Call 210 73-SACFL or send email to [amy@sacfl.org](mailto:amy@sacfl.org).