



Thursday, March 10, 2016

We, the Catholic School of St. Eugene, dedicate ourselves to keeping Christ in our vision by nurturing spiritual growth and academic excellence in our students, their families and the community in the tradition of the Roman Catholic Faith.

### Thoughts and Prayers

**April Ferguson**, sister of Tara Allison, who's battling stage 4 colon cancer. **Mia Lucas**, former CSSE student, as she heals from surgery and 10-plus weeks of recovery and rehabilitation. **Mary Guillen**, grandmother of Melanie Caudillo, who was diagnosed with breast cancer. **Emma Ryan**, friend of Kristina Ault, who was recently diagnosed with thyroid cancer.

### Dates to Jot Down

- Today: School Mass, 8:15 a.m.
- Thursday, 17: Happy Birthday, Mrs. Heinen!
- March 14-18: Spring Break
- Wednesday, 23: Class pictures
- Friday, 25: Good Friday, school is in session
- Sunday, 27: Happy Easter! Jesus is Risen!
- Monday, 28: Easter Monday, school is out
- Wednesday, 30: Happy Birthday, Mrs. Swink!
- April 8: Rice Bowl money deadline
- April 9: CGSAA Track Meet

### Alex, I'll Take Dads' Club Trivia Night for \$500

Put those smarty pants on and join the Dads' Club Trivia Night Saturday, April 2, in Ross Hall. Doors open at 6 p.m. with cocktail hour. At 7 p.m., the trivia questions begin. Tables are \$80 and seat eight. You must be 21 to attend. A variety of food and beverage options will be available. Proceeds benefit the Dads' Club Bereavement Scholarship Fund. To reserve your spot, contact Chad Goodman at [csedadsclub@gmail.com](mailto:csedadsclub@gmail.com).

### Ready? Set? Go! Track Practices to Begin After the Break

The CGSAA meet will be Saturday, April 9. There will no longer be a CSSE school meet. Track practices will begin after Spring Break.

### Get Your Student Signed Up for CSSE Summer Camp

Summer is around the corner! Snag your spot for St. Eugene Summer Camp. It begins May 23 and goes through Aug. 5. There will be new adventures, and the campers will have lots of fun. If you have any questions, please contact the Summer Camp Office at 405-751-0067, ext. 118. Early registration ends May 1.

**There will be no Eagle Express next Thursday. Enjoy your Spring Break! We'll be back Thursday, March 24.**

### What You Give Up for Lent Changes Lives

This year our school is participating in Operation Rice Bowl through Catholic Relief Services. Seventy-five percent of donations to CRS Rice Bowl supports Catholic relief programs around the world, and 25 percent supports local hunger and poverty alleviation efforts. For more information, please go to [www.CSRiceBowl.org](http://www.CSRiceBowl.org). The money collected is due Friday, April 8. Please count the money at home as a family and then send a check to school for that amount. Make the check out to St. Eugene and in the memo put "Rice Bowl." Please put the check in a labeled envelope. This allows us to get the funds to CRS.

### Seven Practical Ways to Observe Lent

1. Say a quick prayer for the poor every time the phone rings.
2. Put coins in a Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl every time you text a friend.
3. Fast from the Internet or social media one day each week.
4. Use the time you're stuck in traffic in silence with God.
5. Make your office space or carpool lane a gossip-free zone.
6. Subscribe to a daily devotional or Scripture reading.
7. Listen and meditate on the Stations of the Cross each Friday.

### Join Us for Stations of the Cross Tomorrow

Please join us for our last Stations of the Cross at 8:15 a.m. tomorrow in Ross Hall. It will be led by the seventh grade.

### Second of Three Parish Lenten Talks is Sunday

Almost 100 folks turned out last Sunday for the first of three talks and small group discussions. We invite you to deepen your Lenten journey and join fellow parishioners for questions we all need to answer:

Question No. 2, "Who Does Jesus Say He Is?" Talk and discussions with Father Wolf from 10:45 a.m. to noon this Sunday in Ross Hall.

Question No. 3, "Who Does Jesus Say that You Are?" Talk and discussions with Father Wolf from 10:45 a.m. to noon next Sunday in Ross Hall.

### CSSE Tardy Count for the 2015-2016 School Year

Number of Tardies for the week of 2/29/2016: 54  
Tardies School Year-to-Date Total: 1097

### **Father De Loera to Talk with Youth Group on March 21**

Youth Group will not meet Monday, but join us again on Monday, March 21 for a special guest speaker. Our very own Fr. De Loera will talk to us about growing closer to Jesus as we close out this Lenten season and begin Holy Week. Food, fun, and prayer as always!

### **PTO News You Need to Know**

The PTO general meeting will be at 6:30 p.m., April 5 in Ross Hall. Childcare will be provided in the gym. Stay tuned for more details, but mark your calendars now. The PTO annual golf tournament will be May 9 at River Oaks Country Club. Please stay tuned for more details. Several PTO positions are open for the next school year – Treasurer, which is a two-year commitment; Fun Run coordinator and Helping Hands coordinator. Please contact Bonnie Schwarz at [bschwarz1@cox.net](mailto:bschwarz1@cox.net) or 405-630-8252 if you are interested in serving on this wonderful committee.

### **OLOG Summer Camp Registration Open**

Registration for Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Summer Camp is in full swing. Download the registration form at [www.archokc.org](http://www.archokc.org) or register over the phone and pay with a credit card.

### **Please Pay Library Fines and Turn in Overdue Books**

At the end of the third quarter, the school will hold report cards for students who have lost books or have books that are more than two weeks overdue. Report cards may be picked up in the school office after these books have been returned, the library has been reimbursed or the fines have been paid.

### **Spots Still Remain for Popular Gala Sign-Up Parties**

We're still raising money for our school and parish gala. Leave a check and note with your child's name in the school office.

### **Thunder Playoff Watch Party with Fr. De Loera**

Date in April 2016 (to be determined)/\$65 per person  
Watch a 2016 first round Thunder playoff game in style at one of the nation's coolest home theatre stores! Enjoy the game on a 150-inch Super HDTV Digital Theater valued at over \$175,000. The night includes wine, beer and food. Adults only please.

### **Backyard Family Movie Night at the Lee's**

May 21, 2016/\$125 per family/20 families  
Bring your blankets and lawn chairs! Families will enjoy food, drinks, sweets, and an all-around good time watching a family-friendly movie.

### **Save the Date for Totus Tuus Summer Camp**

Mark your calendars and save the date for Totus Tuus Youth Summer Camp. Incoming 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> graders will go from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., June 20-24. Incoming 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders will go from 7:30 p.m. to 9:45 p.m., June 19-23 at the church and school. Registration will open after Spring Break. There are 90 spots that will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. If you have questions, contact Petra Hutchison at 405-637-7130 or [petrahutchison@yahoo.com](mailto:petrahutchison@yahoo.com).

### **Please Don't Use New Rectory Driveway to Turn Around**

Many people are driving south on Greystone only to turn around in the new rectory driveway so they can enter the carpool line heading north. Please don't use the rectory to turn around.

### **Save the Date for Annual Parish and School Gala**

Mark your calendars for Saturday, Nov. 5, at the beautiful new Embassy Suites downtown for our annual parish and school gala – the biggest and only fundraiser of the year. If you'd like to help in any capacity, please call Nicole Hughes at 405-361-2359.

### **Monday Rosary Moms Need Your Prayerful Voice**

Our school has a very small and devoted group of moms who meet every Monday when school is in session in the church. They come together to pray the rosary and lift up the St. Eugene community in prayer. The little group will be shrinking soon. As children grow up and graduate, as schedules change, many move on. We need you to keep the prayers going. Please consider joining them for just 20 minutes after drop off.

### **Keep Saving Those Buy for Less Receipts**

Help our school earn credit for free educational equipment by saving receipts from Buy for Less and Super Mercado. We will collect receipts dated Sept. 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016. Please turn in all receipts to the school office by Friday, April 1.

### **Get a Helpful Head Start on Spring Cleaning**

Getting rid of the old and bringing in the new? The Extended Care Department and nursery are always in need of toys, games, arts, crafts and clothes for ages three through 1<sup>st</sup> grade. Extended Care is especially in need of gently used beach towels and blankets. Drop donated items by the nursery, church or school office.

### **Say Cheeeeeese! Pictures Taken After the Break**

Get those pearly whites polished! Eighth grade individual photos will be taken Wednesday, March 23. We also will have Pre-3 through 8<sup>th</sup> grade class pictures taken that day as well.

### **A Springy but Brief Short About Shorts**

Spring has sprung! Beginning Monday, March 21, students may wear school-approved shorts. But try them on now to ensure they're the right length – as students grow, their shorts shrink.

### **From the Principal's Desk**

1. Don't forget that if your child(ren) wore their uniform to Mass during Catholic Schools Week, they have a free dress day tomorrow. The teachers have a list of students who participated.
2. Congratulations to all of our basketball teams that completed this past weekend. It was incredible to see the teamwork and coaching that were present in each of our teams. Go Eagles!
3. As we return from Spring Break, I will be out of the office to fulfill my civic duty and report for jury duty. I am not sure how long I will be out but plan on using this opportunity as a teachable moment to our students within the classroom.
4. This is a friendly reminder to turn in your enrollment paperwork as soon as possible. The registration fee increases by \$100 if it is not turned in by tomorrow. More importantly for the school, however, we are not able to budget properly if we do not have an accurate projection of our enrollment for the upcoming school year. Certain classrooms are filling up, and we would hate to have students lose their spots. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know. Have a great and restful Spring Break!

**Theme for the School Year: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."**