

HAPPENINGS

St. Louise de Marillac School's Mission Statement

In partnership with parents, the mission of St. Louise de Marillac School is to cultivate lasting values in our Catholic faith, grow as lifelong learners and followers of Christ, and challenge every student to reach their highest academic potential.

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JOIN US FOR

CHRISTMAS

Around the World

THURSDAY 19 DEC 6:30 PM

SAINT LOUISE DE MARILLAC CHURCH
FREE ADMISSION!

FEATURING: SAINT LOUISE DE MARILLAC CHOIRS, AFTER SCHOOL CHOIR, AND THE VIKING VOCALS

What to Wear:

All: Please come in your best formal Christmas attire. Please wear either red, green, or white. Students must follow all St. Louise dress code rules.

Girls

- Black, closed toe dressy shoes or black school Mass shoes
- Modest dress or skirt, or black slacks (no leggings by themselves. Leggings under dresses is okay.)
- Modest blouse with sleeves

Boys

- Black dress shoes or black school Mass shoes
- Black dress pants or slacks with a belt (no jeans)
- Button down shirt with collar and long sleeves, or polo

Special Dates of Interest:

- ◆ Thursday, Dec. 19th - Christmas Concert
6:30 pm - Church
(Students in Classroom at 6:00 pm)
- ◆ Friday, Dec. 20th -12 NOON DISMISSAL
Christmas Class Parties
NO DAYCARE TODAY
CHRISTMAS BREAK BEGINS
- ◆ Mon, Dec. 23rd thru Fri., Jan. 3rd
CHRISTMAS BREAK
- ◆ Monday, Jan. 6th - **SCHOOL RESUMES**
- ◆ Tuesday, Jan. 7th thru Fri. Jan 17th
- **STAR TESTING Window**
- ◆ Thursday, Jan. 9th - Room Parent Mtg
—6:30 pm—6th Gr. Classroom
- ◆ Friday, Jan. 17th -
Student Council's "Pizza Lunch" Fundraiser

Important to Remember...

CONGRATULATIONS TO
OUR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!

(For week of Dec. 9, 2024 - Dec. 13, 2024)

Aubree Diaz, Gr. K, was recognized for continually setting a wonderful example to all of our Kindergarten students. Keep working hard on completing excellent work Aubree!



Jacob Elias, Gr. 2, was recognized for working hard to reach his 2nd trimester AR goal in just a few weeks. His love of books and reading inspires us all. Keep up the amazing work Jacob!

Marcella Elias, Gr. 5, was recognized for being an excellent role model to her classmates. She works hard on her assignments and always turns in quality work. Way to go Marcella!

Maya Jacobo, Gr. 8, was recognized for showing improved focus and dedication to her school work. Maya is doing a great job being respectful and attentive in class. Bravo Maya!

Well done !!

EARLY DISMISSAL DATE...

There will be **NOON DISMISSAL** this **Friday, Dec. 20th, at 12:00 noon**, so that the faculty & staff can attend their staff Christmas lunch.

Remember, school resumes on Tuesday, Jan. 6th.



<https://longan.henricoschools.us/early->



Important Day Care News...

Early Reminder...There will be **NO Day Care provided this Friday, Dec. 20th**, as school will be dismissed at **12 NOON** that day for the School's Christmas break.

This is so that all staff may attend the faculty Christmas party. Please make appropriate arrangements to have your child(ren) picked up at the 12 noon dismissal time that day.

Thanks for your understanding!

"CAUGHT BEING GOOD"!

Congratulations to the following students whose names were picked from the "Caught Being Good" box at last week's Wednesday morning assembly!



- Maria Pacheco (Gr. Kinder) for always being thoughtful and kind to his peers during recess.
- Lukah Arellano (Gr. 1) for always being thoughtful and kind to his peers during recess.
- Harmony Rangel-Acdan (Gr. 3) for offering school supplies to a student who didn't have any!

Way to go —Keep it up!

CHRISTMAS PARTY

ATTENTION ROOM PARENTS

Christmas Party money is available for pick up at the school office!

The parties will take place this Friday, Dec. 20th, at 11:15 a.m. Please arrive for set up at 10:30 a.m. The children will be getting a pizza treat at the party! Thank you!

PARENTS of Students with Food Allergies:

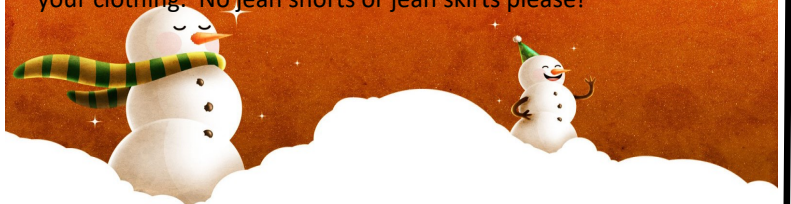
Be aware that this Friday, Dec. 20th, are the Class Christmas parties. The Room Parents will be distributing class treats and there will be pizza for all the students.

If your child(ren) has special dietary requirements due to allergies, please make appropriate arrangements for your child(ren).

CHRISTMAS FREE DRESS

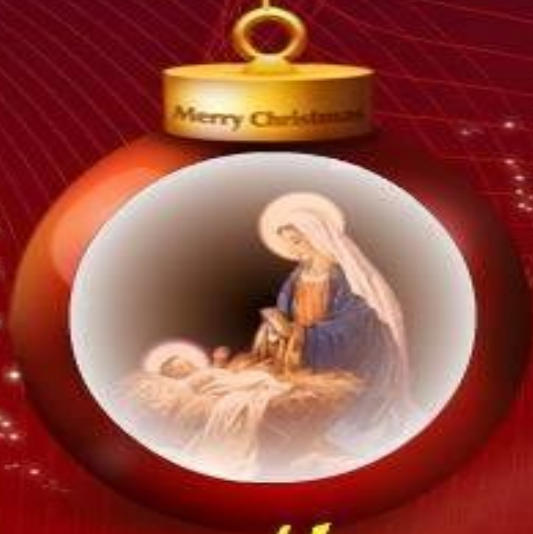
Just a "heads up" - this Friday, Dec. 20th, will be a free dress day! Jeans or Christmas colored pants and a Christmas colored top is acceptable.

Please follow the school's free dress code policy when choosing your clothing. No jean shorts or jean skirts please!



Glory to God in the highest, and on earth
peace to men on whom his favor rests

- Luke 2:14



With th' angelic host proclaim
Christ is born in Bethlehem!
Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King!

Have a Blessed Christmas

365greetings.com

Mrs. Ossin
Mrs. Pompey
Mrs. Linares
Mrs. Revesis
Ms. Diunkon
Mrs. Campos
Mr. Gomez
Mrs. Flores
Mrs. Camargo
Ms. Mij
Mr. Jose
Miss Chris
Mrs. Sue Reyes
Mrs. Catalan
Mrs. New
Mrs. Richardson
Mrs. Cortillo
Mrs. Perri
Mrs. Luna
Mrs. Vasquez
Mr. Ebiner Gavit

The faculty and staff of St. Louise School
wish each of you and your families,
a blessed, peaceful Christmas
and a New Year of happiness and good health!

We'll Miss You!

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We extend our goodbye and good luck to the following staff member who will not be returning for the 2024-2025 school year:

Mrs. Camille Catalan, our yard supervisor and classroom aide, is leaving to take on the job of being a grandma and caring for her grandson!

We are sad to see her go; and, wish her well! We ask all to pray for her as she steps out and forward with God's love and guidance!



We are pleased to announce that Ms. Christine Castillo will be joining us in Mrs. Catalan's place after Christmas vacation. We welcome her to St. Louise! She has provided a short biography so you can get to know her before she starts after the Christmas break!

My name is Christine Castillo. I love Our Lord and have a special devotion to His Blessed Mother. I also love my family which includes my parents, my three brothers and their wives, my two nephews and my niece. I graduated from Ave Maria University. I am a faithful parishioner of St. Louise Parish and I am looking forward to now being part of the St. Louise School family.!



Congrats...to our next Football Mania winners!

Week 5 Winners:
Pamula Solar
Brianna Gutierrez
Matt Quinn

Week 6 Winners:
Zaida Gonzalez
Arthur Arguello

Week 7 Winners
Thang Duong
Peter Flores

Good luck to all on the upcoming games and thank you for supporting our Booster Club & athletes!

2nd Gr. "Sacrament" Parent Meeting

The Sacrament meeting will be held on Thursday, Jan. 23rd, at 6:00 pm in the Church. All parents are expected to attend.

Be sure to mark your calendar for this important meeting.



A GREAT BIG THANK YOU!

The faculty and staff of St. Louise wish to thank the Ferris Velasquez—for providing us recently with the delicious treats for the Faculty Lounge!

We truly appreciate you!

SLS SPORTS NEWS...

Week of Dec. 16th thru Dec. 20th...

Tuesday, Dec 17th:

- Boys A Level Practice 2:45 – 4:30
- Girls A Level Basketball vs St Bernard 6:00pm at Cantwell High School
- Girls B level – Basketball Practice 2:24 – 4:30
- Cheer – Practice 2:45 – 4:30

Wednesday, Dec 18th:

- Girls B level – Basketball Practice 2:24 – 4:30

Thursday, Dec 19th:

- No After School Sport activities due to Christmas Program

Friday, Dec 20th: No After School Sports Activities Scheduled

Saturday, Dec 21st:

- Boys A Level Basketball– Cantwell HS Tourney TBA
- Girls A level Basketball – Cantwell HS Tourney TBA-

Sunday, Dec 22nd

- Boys A level Basketball - Cantwell Basketball Tourney TBA
- Girls A level Basketball – Cantwell Basketball Tourney TBA



GO VIKINGS!



ATTENTION:

Young Knights of Frassati Club

Their next meeting will be Friday, Jan. 10th, from 2:15 pm to 3:45 pm.

Words of the Week:

“Advent is a time machine that fast-forwards us to the most wonderful day of the year – December 25th!”



<https://www.facebook.com/ElevateElementarySchool/photos/a.736>

**Read-A-Thon Class Winner's "Free Dress" Day
Wednesday, Jan. 8th!**

Congratulations to the top three winning classes for this year's "Read-A-Thon—Grade 1, Grade 5, and Grade 6! They will have their "Free Dress" Day on Wednesday, Jan. 8th!

Remember to follow the school's guidelines for free dress on that day! Congrats to all!

Being Part of an Historical Moment...

Yesterday, some of the boys in our Young Knights of Frassati's Club were able to attend a press conference to learn about the local miracle that has cleared the path for the canonization of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati.

After the press conference, they were interviewed by Channel 7 News; and, Mr. Ebiner-Gavit was also interviewed by The Angelus News. To read the article from the Angelus News, copy and paste the following link -

<https://angelusnews.com/local/la-catholics/frassati-gutierrez-miracle/>

YOUNG KNIGHTS OF FRASSATI

ST. LOUISE
DE MARILLAC
SCHOOL
CLUB

In its 4th year, this school club aims to promote the spirituality of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, his love for adventure, cultivation of virtue, and noteworthy charitable service.

It is with joy that Blessed Frassati will be canonized a saint next summer thanks to this local miracle! The second miracle needed for canonization was approved just recently. The individual who was miraculously healed is Fr. Juan, local priest at St. John the Baptist Church in Baldwin Park. For about 2 years now, the club has volunteered to help with the Special Needs Mass at St. John's Church. How incredible that some of the club members have helped out at this parish with Fr. Juan over the years! What a gift for all of Los Angeles! The canonization will take place on August 3, 2025 in Rome.



Nine members from the Young Knights of Frassati and moderator, Mr. Mark Ebiner-Gavit, attended a press conference on December 16 in which Archbishop Jose Gomez, Fr. Juan Gutierrez, Msgr. Sarno (from the Vatican's Congregation for the Causes of Saints), and Frassati's 97 year old niece spoke to the press (the latter two joined via a remote stream). The club members and moderator were interviewed by Channel 7 news. Mr. Ebiner-Gavit was also interviewed by Angelus News.





St. Louise Night at the Staples Center!!!

LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS vs. Brooklyn Nets!



Our Varsity Boys & Girls Basketball Teams
will play on the court prior to the Clipper's game!



Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2025

**Come see the
Clippers play in
their new venue
the Intuit Dome!**

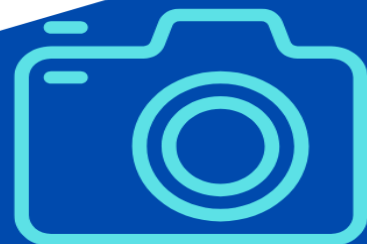
Our Varsity Basketball (Girls or Boys), have invited the Holy Name of Mary teams of San Dimas to play on the Intuit Dome floor before the Clippers game from 1:45 pm to 2:40 pm; and, all are invited to join them Every person (**including the team players**) needs a ticket to enter the arena. **Tickets are \$53.00 per person.** If you are ONLY going to the Varsity games, you need a ticket. If you are ONLY going to the Clippers game, you need a ticket. If you are going to BOTH, you need a ticket. So get your tickets now!

Tickets for this evening will be available ONLY online through your Blackbaud Tuition account. The deadline to order is **Wednesday, January 8th.**

You will be ordering and paying for your Clippers tickets through your Blackbaud Tuition account. Orders will not be accepted through the school office. Please follow the steps below to access the ordering process. If you have any questions regarding the ordering process, please contact Denise Wold in the finance department at denisew@stlouisedm.org or call her at 626-915-7873, ext. 211.

"PURCHASE OPTIONAL ITEMS" INSTRUCTIONS (Shopping Cart)

- 1) Log into your Blackbaud Tuition account -
- 2) Select "purchase optional items" at the top of the screen
- 3) "Select student(s)" in the middle of the screen
- 4) Check the name of all students you wish to order for and select "go"
- 5) Check all of the items you wish to order for each student
- 6) Choose the quantity you wish to order for each student (please note your total amount below)
- 7) Select "save"
- 8) Consent to the agreement (this is a description of the shopping cart items you have purchased)
- 9) Check "I have read the description of this item and agree to purchase" (you will have to do this for each item)
- 10) Check "I understand that all purchases are final and non-refundable" (you will have to do this for each item)
- 11) Select "agree"
- 12) Select "continue"
- 13) Click "pay now" (all shopping cart items are pay now items - they cannot be added to your SMART invoice)
- 14) Choose account to be used for payment – you may use an existing saved payment method or add a new one



YEARBOOK NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We are finishing up our last pages and we are asking for your help in gathering pictures. We are looking for pictures showcasing:

- Cross country at their meets
- Golf
- Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts
- AcaDeca

Please email your pictures by January 17th to Mrs. Flores at floresk@stlouisedm.org. She will confirm she has received your pictures via email within 24-48 hours.

St. Louise De Marillac School

DEADLINE: 01/08/2025

Dear Parent or Student,

Yearbook Recognition Ads are the perfect way to commemorate achievements and celebrate milestones. In addition, revenues from Recognition Ads help our school create a better yearbook. To purchase your ad online, follow the instructions listed below. Jostens is responsible for our school's yearbook ad sales. Please do not contact or send materials to the school. Please also consider our school's ad content guidelines below during the creation of your ad online. All orders must be placed by 01/08/2025.

Please submit your order through a laptop or desktop computer. The website does not work well from the phone. From 1/9/25-2/12/25, prices will go up to \$45 and \$65. We are NOT able to accept any late orders, so please submit your orders as soon as possible.

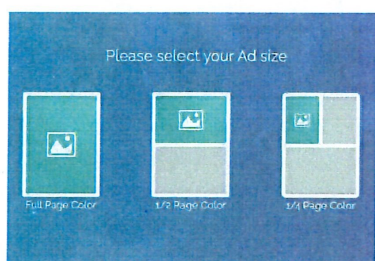
ORDER BY 01/08/2025

COLOR AD

1/4 Page	\$50.00
1/8 Page	\$30.00

Taxes, service fees, and shipping fees will be added, if applicable. Jostens payment plan available; minimum purchase requirements and eligibility restrictions apply.

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Step 1

Choose your ad size and layout
(Options may vary by school.)



Step 2

Add your photos



Step 3

Enter your text

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are the guidelines for recognition ad content?

Schools may review and edit ads per their guidelines. Jostens retains the right to remove any explicit text, graphic photos or copyright-protected imagery or photos.

School Ad Content Guidelines

Our school reserves the right to edit ads per our guidelines. Please make sure all submitted materials are appropriate for school publication.

How are the ad prices determined and what is the money used for?

Recognition ad prices are determined by our school. Revenue from recognition ads helps the school create a better, more affordable yearbook.

How is the ad deadline determined?

The ad deadline is set by our school based on the production schedule for the yearbook.

Can I create my student's ad on my mobile device?

Yes, yearbook ads can be created online from both desktop and mobile devices.



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PARISH NEWS...

POINSETTIA DONATIONS

Can you imagine a better way to celebrate the exhilarating joy and radiance of Christmas than with poinsettias? These cheery, flowering, ornamental plants are celebrated during this special season for their brightly colored foliage. With their openness and flowers, they embrace life in all its blessed richness.

At St. Louise de Marillac, let us remember those nearest and dearest to us, whether living or deceased, with these brightest of all flowers in preparation of the birth of Jesus Christ, who is the reason for this season. Through the ages, poinsettias have been given as gifts, and in this season of giving, let us honor God's only begotten Son, the greatest gift of all.



So please join us and bring your poinsettias to the Msgr. Pierce Hall patio or Parish Center on Monday, December 2nd through Sunday, December 22nd, in time for inclusion at our Christmas Masses.

SIMBANG GABI

St. Louise de Marillac Filipino Ministry's Simbang Gabi will be on **Saturday, December 21st, at the 4:30 PM Mass**. Join us for a free scrumptious Filipino feast in the Msgr. Pierce Hall immediately following the Mass.



Simbang Gabi is a nine-day Novena celebrated by Filipinos as a spiritual preparation for the birth of Jesus Christ, fostering a sense of cultural connection and belonging.

Origination from the Mexican tradition of Misa de Gallo, it runs from December 16th to December 24th. The celebration features Masses originally held at dawn before the people go to their respective work.

A parol, or lantern, symbolizing the symbolizing the Star of Bethlehem, was originally a small light source (like a torch or candle) carried by the people on their way to church through the dark hours during the nine-day Christmas Novena procession leading up to the midnight Mass. Simbang Gabi is a tradition that holds both religious and cultural significance for the Filipino community.



ALTAR FLOWER HONORARIUMS & MEMORIALS

St. Louise de Marillac Parish accepts honorary and memorial donations to provide a flower arrangement every weekend for each side of the altar (two arrangements per week). A flower arrangement may be in memory of a loved one, for an anniversary, wedding or birthday, or in honor of a friend or family member.

An offering of \$100.00 will ensure that one floral arrangement will be in place for the weekend of your choice (up to two families may have a request on the same weekend). The dedication will be noted in our weekly bulletin, which also appears on our website.

The flowers we receive from our florist each week are the freshest flowers available that week. We are unable to honor requests for color or flower type. The arrangement will be displayed all week in the Church.

Dates subject to availability, please come by the Parish Office or contact us via telephone at (626) 915-7873 to select your weekend. No altar flowers are ordered during Lent.

Save the Date!


We are excited to announce that beginning January 2025, our parish will begin using Pushpay as our new online giving solution. Pushpay is an industry leader known for creating an easy, secure way to manage your own giving from the convenience of a mobile device.

Stay tuned for more information.

FaithDirect donors will receive additional information via mail & email.



PARISH NEWS...



Christmas Mass Times


Christmas Eve
Tuesday,
December 24th

4 PM Children's Mass
4:15 in the Hall
6:30 PM
Midnight

Christmas Day
Wednesday,
December 25th

6:30 AM
8 AM
10 AM
12 PM

**There will be
no evening
Mass**



Advent Penance Services

All at 7 PM

Sacred Heart, Covina
Tuesday, December 17th

St. Christopher, West Covina
Wednesday, December 18th

**On Wednesday, December 18th, our
regularly scheduled Wednesday
confessions will end at 5 PM**

Advent: A Season of Prepration

DID YOU KNOW?

“No” is a complete sentence.

A critical boundary to learn for yourself and for your children is the word “no.” Saying “no” to something you are uncomfortable with, or that you know is wrong, is sometimes the hardest thing to do, but it is so important. “No” is a complete sentence and should be honored by anyone listening. This is a great way to teach children how to listen to their friends and respect what they hear. This teaches children personal autonomy, which can extend to a child saying “no” to unwanted touches or behavior and potentially protect them from abuse and harm.

For more information, read the VIRTUS® article “When Boundaries Abound, Our Lives Can Flourish” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

For more information on other ways to keep kids safe, contact the Archdiocesan Safeguard the Children Office at 213) 637-7227.

Scan the QR Code for Quick & Easy Safe Environment Resources.

