



# Spartan Newsletter

St. Paul of the Cross 2022-2023 School Year

School-Wide Learning Expectation: Academically Prepared; Spiritually Evolving; Active Catholic-Christian; Life-Long Learner **February 22, 2023**

**65** Years of Developing Students Academically and Spiritually!

## Principally Speaking:

STATEMENT FROM ARCHBISHOP JOSÉ H. GOMEZ  
ON THE DEATH OF AUXILIARY BISHOP DAVID  
O'CONNELL

February 18, 2023

I am very sad this afternoon to report that our beloved Auxiliary Bishop David O'Connell has passed away unexpectedly. It is a shock and I have no words to express my sadness.

As a priest and later a bishop here in Los Angeles for more than forty-five years, Bishop Dave was a man of deep prayer who had a great love for Our Blessed Mother.

He was a peacemaker with a heart for the poor and the immigrant, and a passion for building a community where the sanctity and dignity of every human life was honored and protected. He was also a good friend, and I will miss him greatly. I know we all will.

Please join me in praying for Bishop Dave and for his family in Ireland. May Our Lady of Guadalupe wrap him in the mantle of her love, and may the angels lead him into paradise, and may he rest in peace.

The following link is to Bishop O'Connells' last homily. *World Day of the Sick at Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels on February 11, 2023.*

<https://angelusnews.com/local/la-catholics/bishop-oconnells-last-homily/>

**Ms. Hernandez**

## \*\* DATES TO REMINDER \*\*

### NO SCHOOL ON:

**Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**

*Bishop's Day Off*

**April 7<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>**

*Easter Vacation*

**Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**

*Memorial Day*

## \*\* DATES TO REMINDER \*\*

### UP COMING EVENTS:

<b>Thursday, Feb. 23</b> <i>\$1 Free Dress</i>	<b>Friday, Mar. 10</b> <i>Fish Fry</i>
<b>Friday, Feb. 24</b> <i>Teacher Mass</i>	<b>Wednesday, Mar. 15</b> <i>7<sup>th</sup> Gr Patio Prayer</i>
<b>Wednesday, Mar. 1</b> <i>NJHS Patio Prayer</i>	<b>Thursday, Mar. 16</b> <i>1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Stations of the Cross</i>
<b>Friday, Mar. 3</b> <i>NJHS Mass</i>	<b>Friday, Mar. 17</b> <i>8<sup>th</sup> Gr Mass</i>
<b>Friday, Mar. 3</b> <i>Fish Fry</i>	<b>Friday, Mar. 17</b> <i>Fish Fry</i>
<b>Saturday, Mar. 4</b> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Gr First Reconciliation</i>	<b>Sunday, Mar. 19</b> <i>Family Mass @ 10am</i>
<b>Wednesday, Mar. 8</b> <i>8<sup>th</sup> Gr Patio Prayer</i>	<b>Wednesday, Mar. 22</b> <i>6<sup>th</sup> Gr Patio Prayer</i>
<b>Thursday, Mar. 9</b> <i>TK/K Stations of the Cross</i>	<b>Thursday, Mar. 23</b> <i>3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Stations of the Cross</i>
<b>Friday, Mar. 10</b> <i>Student Council Mass</i>	<b>Friday, Mar. 24</b> <i>7<sup>th</sup> Gr Mass</i>

## Lenten Journey

### What are the 7 Last Words of Christ?

For the next 7 weeks we will journey through the 7 last words of Christ: Forgiveness, Salvation, Relationship, Abandonment, Distress, Triumph and Reunion.

"Father, forgive them, they know not what they do."

The First Word (Forgiveness)

"When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him and the criminals there, one on his right, the other on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do." Luke 23:34

We're familiar with Lent being a season of repentance; in fact, we hear "Repent, and believe in the Gospel" as we receive ashes on our foreheads.

During Lent, we seek forgiveness. But how often do we offer it? As Jesus hung on the cross, he pleaded with his Father to forgive his tormentors, at whose hands he suffered unimaginable pain. Sometimes, in our relationships with others, the only thing more difficult than humbling ourselves to ask forgiveness is to truly grant it. To fully forgive. To not let resentment, continue to linger inside of us.

Jesus's last words remind us that God's forgiveness knows no boundaries. We need God's help and grace to be able to forgive in such a way.

Do we place limits on what we are willing to forgive?

Resource: <https://hallow.com/blog/7-last-words-of-christ/>

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Mandatory Fundraiser

Parents:

Our second **MANDATORY \$100 FUNDRAISER IS DUE NOW!** We will be raffling baskets on Friday, March 24, during our last Fish Fry event. Each family will receive 10 tickets to be put in the raffle basket of their choice. Each basket will be worth \$100!



## Sports Fundraiser

Please help and support our fundraiser by selling or buying chocolates. Order forms are included in this week's family envelope. All orders and money are due by **Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup>**. All proceeds will be used toward the funding of Sports Banquet Dinner.

## Hot Lunch

Hot lunch menu for the month of March is included in family envelope. Money and orders are due by Friday February 24.

## Fingerprinting

*Parents getting fingerprinted is a mandatory policy that is put in place by the LA Archdiocese. We are working on getting 100% participation. You only need to get your fingerprints done once. Please keep in mind in order to volunteer on campus you must be fingerprinted.*

## Prayer Corner

*If you would like to add someone to the prayer corner, please send in their name by Monday morning. Thank you.*

**Please Prayer for:**  
**Ms. H**  
**Michelle Feltault**  
**Kyle Haber**

**For The Repose of the Souls of:**

**Bishop David O'Connell-** Former Los Angeles  
 Auxiliary Bishop

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*Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer.*  
 ~Philippians 4:6-7

## Stations of the Cross

**Students will be leading the Stations of the Cross on Thursdays.**

**TK/Kinder Mar. 9<sup>th</sup>**

**1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Mar. 16<sup>th</sup>**

**3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Mar. 30<sup>th</sup>**

**7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> April 6<sup>th</sup>**



## GOT FISH?

Save the DATES & TIMES

Fish Fry #1 Friday, Mar. 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 5:00-7pm

Fish Fry #2 Friday, Mar. 10<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00-7pm

Fish Fry #3 Friday, Mar. 17<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00-7pm

Fish Fry #4 Friday, Mar. 24<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00-7pm

## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

**Parents please sign-up.**

You need to do 5 BINGOS throughout the year.:  
**\*\*Bingo Hours are on Fridays from 5:30 - 10pm**

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| February 17                      | 3 parents needed |
| February 23                      | 2 parents needed |
| March 2                          | 3 parents needed |
| March 9                          | 4 parents needed |
| March 16                         | 4 parents needed |
| <b>BINGO SUPPORTS OUR SCHOOL</b> |                  |

## ~ Bingo ~

Parents, it is very important to show-up for the Bingo slot you signed-up for. Thank you.

| February 17      | February 23           |
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| Sarah Salgado: 3 | Anthony Hernandez: TK |
|                  | Sarah Salgado: 3      |
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## Scrip Sales

**You can order Scrip on Monday and get it on Thursdays or sign-up online to buy scrip.**