

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### February 9

- Home & School mtg @6p

### February 11

- Sweetheart Sizzler @730p

### February 13-16

- Vision & Hearing Screenings
- Spelling Bee @9am

### February 20

- Presidents' Day

### February 25

- PSIA
  - All Saints
- SPRSEF
  - United Spirit Arena

### February 28

- Mardi Gras Mask decorating at Slaton Care Center @2pm

### March 1

- Ash Wednesday
- Lent begins

### February Birthdays

- John Burch-2/2
- Blakely Welch-2/13
- Dominic Burch-2/23
- Michael & Christopher Butler-2/27

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Guardians & Community,



This month is full of excitement for us at St. Joseph's! We had a wonderfully fun filled Catholic Schools Week celebration with the Sock Hop, CTK pep rally, Science Fair, & Pizza party for the students and the Mayoral proclamation, Alumni lunch, Pastries with Patriots, and Appreciation Breakfast for the adults. Thanks for all your support!

The students are preparing for the Spelling Bee on February 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. We chose this date because it is the feast day of Sts. Cyril and Methodius. St. Cyril gave us the Cyrillic alphabet.

Our District Science Fair participants, Isabella Butler 1<sup>st</sup> place, Kylie Nguyen 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Jadyng Nguyen 3<sup>rd</sup> place, Angelica Valdez 4<sup>th</sup> place and Noah Pogue Honorable Mention, competed with CTK students. The first three placers will go on to Regionals on February 25<sup>th</sup>.

The annual Private School Interscholastic Association competition will be held at All Saints Episcopal on February 25<sup>th</sup> from 8a-4p. We need volunteers to help with judging, scoring and student monitoring in 1-2 hours shifts.

Last month we began participating with Hospice of Lubbock's new program at Slaton Care Center. The students enjoyed decorating (and eating ;) cookies with the residents. This month's project will be decorating Mardi Gras masks for the Fat Tuesday parties. Thanks to Michelle Houston, Hospice director, for including us in this work of mercy.

Amazingly, Lent is only a few short weeks away. We are working with the students on ways to prepare for the following Easter season. Through our Lenten sacrifices, almsgiving, prayer and other works of mercy let us truly strive toward a deeper understanding of God's love for us, by loving his people and his creation...For we are, "Called to be Christ's witnesses!" Acts 1:8

Blessings and Peace,  
Mrs. Karen Hybner, MSED

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## A Message From the Office:

- We need tissues! Please send in 2 boxes of tissues with your students.
- Scholastic book orders are due February 15<sup>th</sup>, please submit to Mrs. Butler.
- Progress reports will be emailed next week.

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR:



From Father Chacko:

I URGE YOU, MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS, TO RENEW YOUR COMMITMENT TO CHRIST AND FULFILL YOUR BAPTISMAL PROMISE TO BRING UP YOUR CHILDREN IN FAITH. GIVE THEM CATHOLIC EDUCATION AND SEND THEM TO ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL. LET US WORK TOGETHER FOR A GLORIOUS FUTURE. CHRIST BE YOUR GUIDE.

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## A MESSAGE FROM HOME & SCHOOL:

We still need donations for baskets and silent auction! If you have not donated to your child's basket please send it in or give monetary donation to help cover cost.

Please attend the upcoming Home & School **meeting February 9, 2017 at 6pm\*** to help decorate and set up for Sweetheart Sizzler. (\*Note time)

Volunteers who help the night of the Sizzler, for at least 2 hours, will receive a deep discount to enter the dinner and dance. Contact Brooke Gary-632-2587

- Help in the kitchen
- Help cook steaks with KC
- Help with ticket sales
- Help with clean up-we need a crew!

Thank you all,  
Heath Gary  
*President of HSA*

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## A MESSAGE FROM NCEA:

Reason #10 of 12 to choose Catholic schools-

“We have a 99% high school graduation rate and 85% of our graduates go to college.”

