

Crusader Connection

April 3, 2012
Tuesday of the 6th Week of Lent

Thoughts on Our Theme

Dear Parents,

We embark this week as if upon a journey into the holy of holies for from the evening of Holy Thursday to dawn at Easter we have the holiest days of Holy Week – the Paschal Triduum. And we might ask ourselves, *“How will these days be different?”* Placed before us is Jesus, crowned with thorns and scourged, of whom Pilate said “Behold the man” (Jn. 19:5). Who is He? He is man and God. He is the most beautiful One become disfigured. He is the all powerful One now weak. He is the most loving One condemned to death on a cross for love of us – sometimes we embrace His love, sometimes we reject that love, sometimes we turn the other way, sometimes we give him the back seat. And yet His love continues to pour out.

Jesus’ name means God saves, and He already has. But by virtue of our free will we must be receptive to His saving power for true love does not impose and force itself upon another. Every word we speak, every thought we make, every step we take should be motivated by our desire for heaven. By His resurrection, Jesus broke the bonds of sin and death and opened the gates of heaven. I once heard of a mother who would regularly repeat to her children, “Is ___ going to get you closer to heaven?” And upon the tragic death of one of her sons, who had just been to confession and received the Eucharist, she was able to say with conviction, “He did it; he made it to heaven.” Jesus says, “Surely I am coming soon” (Rev. 22:20). He rose from the dead and will come back for us. With the Spirit and the Bride, we cry out, “Come, Lord Jesus” (ref. Rev. 22:17). Come, for this we were made: “You have made us for Yourself, O God, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You” (St. Augustine).

Let us pray that through this Lent, and in a particular way this Triduum, we are able to remain more deeply in His love: receiving it totally, returning it unreservedly, and responding to Him without counting the cost. Let us pray for one another. God Bless you

In Christ,



Sister Maria Ivana, O.P.
Principal

Prayer Requests of the Saint Vincent de Paul School Community

For the repose of the soul of Fr. Rueben Payo, pastor of Sts. Peter and Paul Parish, who died unexpectedly
For the repose of the soul of Mrs. Sepulveda and for the peace and consolation of her husband, mother, and son, John
For the repose of the soul of Mr. Salazar and for the Salazar Family
For the repose of the soul of Mrs. Dancy’s mother
For the repose of the soul of Deb Pietrzyk, who suffered from ALS, and for comfort and strength for her family
For the repose of the soul of Sr. Marie Agnes Fobes, SL
For the repose of the soul of Rose Vu, who was a student at Notre Dame School, and for her family
For the repose of the soul of Blake Yeager, brother-in-law of Monica Dillon
For the continued healing and recovery of Bob Lemming
In thanksgiving for all of the blessings at our church and school
For Olivia Carroll and the Carroll family. Olivia is 3 years old and is undergoing chemotherapy for cancer
For our benefactors and their families
Those requests in our Prayer Box
For all the souls in Purgatory

If you would like to have a prayer request added to the Crusader, please send special intentions to info@saint-vincents.org

In the Spirit of Saint Vincent de Paul

By Sister Maria Ivana, O.P.



We know that each of us has gifts and talents: "Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of working, but the same God Who inspires them all in everyone" (1 Cor 12:4-6). Mrs. Burke, Miss Zkiab, and Miss Dugan not only have various gifts from the Lord, but they are also graced with the gift of bringing out the talents of others. Not all of us are great scientists, or speed readers, or brilliant mathematicians. However, these three teachers know how to bring the best out of each child. Thank you, Mrs. Burke, Miss Zkiab and Miss Dugan for your guidance, encouragement, and belief in our children who sometimes do not believe in themselves. You've helped these students see their many and varied gifts and talents.

Saintly Sidelines to share with your family...



St. Longinus,

1st Century Martyr

St. Longinus is the centurion who pierced the side of Our Lord while He was hanging on the Cross. St. Longinus, who was nearly blind, was healed when some of the blood and water from Jesus fell into his eyes. It was then he exclaimed "Indeed, this was the Son of God!" [Mark 15:39]. St. Longinus then converted, Left the army, took instruction from the apostles and became a monk in Cappadocia. There he was arrested for his faith. After being tortured, St. Longinus miraculously continued to speak clearly and managed to destroy several idols in the presence of the governor.

From www.catholic.org

Other Information:

Thank you!

Thank you to our 8th grade parents for hosting our March Faculty and Staff Luncheon! The food was delicious, and it was a wonderful opportunity for us to enjoy one another over a lovely meal. Thank you!

Rigorous Academics

Congratulations to our 8th graders who have received scholarships from Bishop Machebeuf High School:

Yohanes Limasalle – Robert Duke Finn Scholarship recipient

Hannah Hurlbut – Principal's Scholarship recipient

Luke Smith – Principal's Scholarship recipient

James Joseph – Principal Scholarship recipient

The Robert Duke Finn Scholarship is awarded to the top achiever on the HSPT. The scholarship pays one half of the student's tuition and is renewable each year provided that the student maintains a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or better.

The Principal's Scholarship is awarded to students who score in the top nine after the top achiever (making up the top ten test scorers) on the HSPT. The scholarship pays \$1,000 of the student's tuition and is renewable each year provided that the student maintains a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or better.

Spring Break

Spring Break will begin after the Noon Dismissal on April 5th and school will resume on April 16, 2012. Have a grace-filled and relaxing break!

Speech Team

Congratulations to our Speech Team who participated in the 7th Grade Trophy Speeches last weekend. The team earned:

4th Place Overall for large schools

Alex Thompson – 1st Place for Humor

Maggie O'Hagan – 2nd Place for Drama

Julia Jobanputra – 5th Place for Speechmaking

Patrick Selner – 6th Place for Impromptu

Honor Roll

Congratulations to our students who made the Honor Roll for the 3rd quarter! We are proud of your hard work. Please see the attached list of students who made the Honor Roll. Students' names will also be posted on the first floor, across from the class pictures of SVdP alumni.

Host Families

Dear Saint Vincent de Paul Catholic School Community,

We are looking for HOST FAMILIES for our new families who will begin school this fall! Are you interested in hosting a new family? As a host family you would help answer questions, make phone calls, check in with them, remind them about upcoming events, etc.

Please contact Nicole Thomason, Enrollment Director at 303-777-3812 ext. 13 or email at nthomason@saint-vincents.org.

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School
ITBS 2012 Scores
Grade Equivalent of Average

Your child's individual ITBS scores were sent home today. At St. Vincent's we have had the great success in the area of rigorous academics. We are deeply grateful to the persevering efforts of our teachers, the hard work of our students, and the support of our parents. Below is a table which demonstrates the average grade equivalent for SVdP students in each major category. Since tests were taken in the middle of the year, .5 would be the average (i.e. 2.5 for second grade).

Grade	Reading Avg.	Language Avg.	Math Avg.	Core Avg.
2	3.4	2.9	3.4	3.2
3	5.0	5.0	4.2	4.6
4	6.6	7.2	6.0	6.5
5	7.9	9.5	7.2	8.1
6	9.2	10.0	8.6	9.3
7	10.8	13+	11.2	11.7
8	13+	13+	13+	13+

Grade	Social Studies	Science Avg.	Information Avg	Composite Avg.
2	3.4	3.7	3.3	3.3
3	5.6	4.9	4.5	4.8
4	6.9	7.1	6.4	6.7
5	7.6	9.3	7.5	8.1
6	8.7	10.4	9.1	9.4
7	11.8	13+	11.2	11.9
8	13+	13+	13+	13+

ITBS Composite Scores Comparison

As a measure of success, we look for at least one year's growth in our students from year to year. The following table demonstrates the growth in Composite scores that SVdP students in grades three through eight demonstrated from 2011 to 2012.

Students	2011 Composite Average	2012 Composite Average
Third graders	3.4	4.8
Fourth graders	4.9	6.7
Fifth graders	6.6	8.1
Sixth graders	8.1	9.4
Seventh graders	9.6	11.9
Eighth graders	12.8	13+*

*13+ is the highest score achievable in ITBS testing.

PASTOR'S HONOR ROLL
4.0 GPA
Third Quarter – 2011-2012

Fifth Grade

Jacob Botaish
Matthew Christofferson
Michelle Diaz
H. Lowell Dillon
Emily Donelson
Kendal Green
Anna Murdy
Molly Reich
Kelly Staib

Nancy Bowdouris
John Hultzapple
Grace Jarecke
Luke Maxfield
Joseph O'Hagan
Drew Renner
Anne Seier
Sarah Tartell
John Dancy

Sixth Grade

Hannah Able
Daisy Davis
Mikaela Erickson
Avery Gillespie
Avery Golden
Robert King
Elizabeth Magolski
Olivia Martinet

Emma Newman
Megan Brown
Marisa Joseph
Matthew Mahoney
Elle Palmer
Francesca Scheitler
John Staib

Seventh Grade

Grant Bowman
Mary Dillon
Alexis Guttierrez
Katie Maxfield
Margaret O'Hagan
Lindsey Reich

Sophia Berry
Gillian Burnham
Julia Jobanputra
Samuel Kail
Rebecca Suhr
Sarah Sutherland

Eighth Grade

Rose Botaish
Katie Earnst
Hannah Hurlbut
Jack Neiryneck
Anna Owens
Maria Isabel Salazar
Joseph Scheitler
Mathison Davis
Rayanne Vega-Perkins

Eamon Duffy
Maura Gustin
Yohanes Limasalle
Ryan Maxfield
Jack O-Hollearn
Charles Smith
Luke Smith
Megan Tartell

PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL

3.5 – 3.99 GPA

Third Quarter – 2011-2012

Fifth Grade

Ella Brooks
Makenna Caulson
Christopher Craig
Samantha Emory
Madeline Ferguson
Jacob Flynn
Faith Horvat
Jack Kail
Luke Krukowski
Demitra Loukopoulos
Adam Mater
Leo McCabe
Lucy Toltz

Joshua Van Bramer
Ryan Glade
Christopher Glass
Fiona Gustin
Robert Moore
William Mottram
Evie Potestio
Paul Schiebel
Mallory Sullivan
Nolan Sweeterman
Jake Taylor
Savannah Viereck

Sixth Grade

Samantha Arrigo
John Carter
Michael Caulson
Ryan Kauffmann
Maxwell Loyola
Arianna Montoya
Grace Neiryneck
Elizabeth O'Hollearn
Griffin Rollert

Jose Salazar
Dominic Smith
Grace Duffy
Griffin Hamrick
Alyssa Marchese
Nicholas Michas
Lauren Purcell
Lucy Schreiber
Emily Shepardson

Seventh Grade

Libby Gavrilovic
Thomas Hultzapple
Alexander Mastro
Patrick Selner
Max Stern
Lauren Sweeterman

Joseph Tezak
Grace Bullock
Delia Kail
Alexander Thompson
Michael Tucker

Eighth Grade

Margaret Bruin
Jack Davidson
Mary Kate Elson
Gene Lang
Antonio Laurita
Molly Lucas
Louis Orzolek
Matthew Roark
Carly Rodgers

Xavier Shiraishi
Sierra Viereck
Felipe Faraco
Ciara Henderson
James Joseph
Sarah Lawlor
Ansley Mater
Rollin Poe

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL
3.0-3.49 GPA
Third Quarter, 2011-2012

Fifth Grade

Jillian Martakis
Caroline McGrail
David Papineau
Sean Shrestha

Sixth Grade

Etta Carpender
Patrick Hall
Josie Garofalo
Lauren Kerkhoff
Eric Newman
Grace Sabin
Ian Sollender
Patrick Thomason
Julia Under

Seventh Grade

Brooke Bradac
Grace Brooks
Nicholas Castle
Zachary Gerken
Patrick Kauffmann
James Kohler
Hayden Makowski
Noah McBournie
Benjamin Capra
Elizabeth Donelson
Jarod Dreiling
Cesia Ezell
Peter Grisley
Juliette Judge
Ethan Ogden
Mary Ann Quintana
George Schiebel
Joseph Spence
M. Riley Wiggs

Eighth Grade

John Brown
Cormac Canavan
Alden Finholm
Alexandra Martin
Antoinette Pino
David Todd

Joseph Burns
Caroline Elson
Allycia Ezell
Thomas Schwappach
Adam Scott
Madeline Shepardson

Home & School Connection

Chair: Therese Andersen
Vice-Chair: Holly Foust
Faith/Family Chair: Diane Unger
Health/Wellness Chair: Brooke Pengel
Communications Chair: Bevin Wallace
Fiscal/Finance Chair: Kristy Garfoot

Grocery Certificate Program

Thank you all for continuing to support the Grocery Certificate Program. The sales money made back to the school for the month of February was \$2,064 and for the month of March it is \$2,201!!! Wonderful numbers for the school! Your support is so appreciated.

You may purchase Safeway and Sunflower gift cards and King Soopers and Safeway Reloadable cards from: The School Office, Diane Makowski (after school seller) or the Church Rectory. Any Questions or Concerns about this program, please contact Meg Henderson: 303-263-6515.

Catholic Coffee Club

Mark your calendars for April's Catholic Coffee Club. Matt and Mindy Dalton will return to continue discussing God's plan for our marriages.

*When: Thursday, April 19th! Bring a Friend. Babysitting will be provided!

Box Tops DUE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4TH!!!

Please turn in your completed March collection sheet tomorrow. New collection sheets for April will be coming home in your child's Tuesday folder. Thanks again for all of your support!!

Scrip Cards

Megan Muller will be placing an order for Scrip cards on April 10th. Do you need to buy your kids new spring/summer clothes? I know I do, so buy a scrip card to your favorite children's clothing store and help the school while you shop! Just go to <http://shopwithscrip.com> to place an order. If you are enrolling for the first time our enrollment code is [CA11E6FF19153](#). You can either pay online with PrestoPay or drop a check off at the front desk payable to SVdP. Thanks for your support!!

***Coming soon information on EduKits – school supplies you can order online and have them shipped directly to school!**

From the GREEN TEAM: Earth Day is April 22!

In honor of Earth Day, our goal is for SVdP to have a zero-waste lunch day!

The average "brown bag" lunch creates between 4-8 ounces of garbage. That can add up to as much as 100 pounds of trash per year! So, at least for one day, let's try to keep the trash to ZERO!

It's easy! Here's how:

Skip the brown bag, plastic wrap, zip lock bags, and foil. Instead of using excessive wrappings, pack all your food into reusable packaging – like a lunchbox, Tupperware, etc. Instead of plastic baggies, use smaller Tupperware containers or reusable bags (such as Lunch-skins).

Bring your own thermos or reusable water bottle instead of a juice box or can of soda. Water is better for you, and can be better for the planet when you drink it from a BPA-free and plastic-free bottle instead of repeatedly purchasing (and throwing away) individual plastic bottles of water.

Choose reusable cutlery. Pack your stainless steel cutlery from home with your lunch, and just rewrap it after use for an easy cleanup at home.

Skip individual bags and buy in bulk. Buying your snacks in bulk from the bins at the grocery store is cheaper and produces way less packaging than individually wrapped snacks.

Parish Connection

Call the parish office at 303-744-6119 for more information.

Youth Ministry

FBI April Calendar

April 11th – Fun Night (The Fun is TBD, show up and see what we do!)

April 18th – Easter Party and Potluck

April 25th – Living Catholic: Vocations – We All Have One! (7-8:30 pm in the Cafeteria)

CSI April Calendar

April 9th – Easter Party and Potluck

April 15th – Bible Study: Prodigal Son

April 23rd – NO CSI, Attend Living Catholic: Vocations – We All Have One! On Wednesday night!

April 30th – Blessed Pope John Paul II's Legacy

Third Thursday Lunch Bunch

It's Spring... Baseball, Hot Dogs, Apple Pie

You get the picture, our April 19th lunch bunch main course will be Hot Dogs and Potato Salad. You can knock the meal out of the park with your offerings. Last names beginning with A-G bring a salad, H-O bring a side dish, and P-Z bring dessert. The fun and conversations begin at 11:30 with lunch to be served at noon. Please call so we can be sure to have enough dogs to go around, 303-744-6119.

How to Paint an Icon

Learn how to paint an icon, and how to use an icon in one's prayer life, the "Prosopon Icon Painting Workshop" is a good starting point! Using century-old techniques of gilding with real gold leaf and painting with egg tempera, students will paint an icon to take home. The workshop attendees are instructed with talks about technique, history, and traditions of iconography.

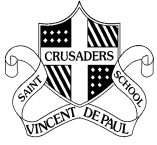
The event runs Monday-Saturday, June 25-30 at St. Dominic's Parish Center (2901 Grove St., Denver). Six hour days, possibly less on Saturday. Tuition is \$900. A non refundable deposit of \$100 is due by April 15th, with the first half of balance due May 15th, and full payment due June 1st. For further information, contact Cecelia Aguallo at imaflibber-tygibb@msn.com or 303-238-8983.

Food for the Poor

Saving lives is not a choice... it's our responsibility. We are called to care for and nurture those who are struggling for survival. With the help of caring people like you, Food For The Poor supports nutrition centers and clinics where precious lives are saved.

Your gifts will help supply food and medicine and other vital items necessary to save children's lives. Every child is precious, and every gift is appreciated.

Next Weekend Fr. Robert White of Food for the Poor will be celebrating all of our weekend Masses with an appeal for your prayers, help and kindness.



Saint Vincent de Paul School- Parent Calendar

April 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Pasta	4 2:15PM Dismissal	5 Holy Thursday 12:00PM Dismissal No Extended Care	6 No School Easter Break	7
8 Easter	9 No School Easter Break	10 No School Easter Break	11 No School Easter Break	12 No School Easter Break	13 No School Easter break	14
15	16 Classes Resume	17 Pizza First Communion Meeting for Parents 7:00PM	18 2:15PM Dismissal	19 Parish Luncheon in Cafeteria-Eat in Classroom Catholic Coffee Club 8:00- 9:00am Auditorium	20	21 Confirmation Retreat
22 Confirmation 2:00PM	23 2 nd Grade Field Trip to Denver Museum of Nature & Science 8:30-1:45	24 Pasta	25 2:15PM Dismissal	26 4th-6th Concert 7:00PM	27 Archdiocesan Arts Fair (Saint Louis Englewood) 6:00PM- 9:00PM 4 th Grade Field Trip to Littleton Museum	28 First Communion Retreat Archdiocesan Arts Fair (Saint Louis Englewood) 9:00AM- 5:00PM
29 Archdiocesan Arts Fair (Saint Louis Englewood) 9:00AM- 4:00PM	30					



Saint Vincent de Paul School- Parent Calendar

May 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Progress Reports Posted Pizza	2 2:15PM Dismissal	3	4 Grandparent's Day and Special Friends All-School Mass 9:30AM Art Show @SVdP 7:00-8:30pm	5 First Communion 10:00AM
6	7	8 May Crowning and All School Mass 9:30AM Pasta	9 2:15PM Dismissal	10 8 th Grade Field Trip to Eldorado Canyon	11 Adoration 8:30-2:30 Benediction 2:35PM 6 th Grade Spaghetti Dinner	12
13 Mother's Day	14	15 Pizza	16 2:15PM Dismissal	17 Parish Luncheon in Cafeteria- Eat in Classroom	18 Teacher BBQ 5:00-8:00PM	19
20	21	22 Pasta	23 2:15PM Dismissal	24 8 th Grade Graduation and Mass 7:00PM	25 No School	26
27	28 No School Memorial Day	29 Pizza	30 Kindergarten Field Day in Gym	31 Field Day 11:30PM Dismissal No Extended Care	June 1st- Last Day of School All School Mass at 9:00 11:00AM dismissal- no Ext. Care	June 1st cont. - Report Cards Posted

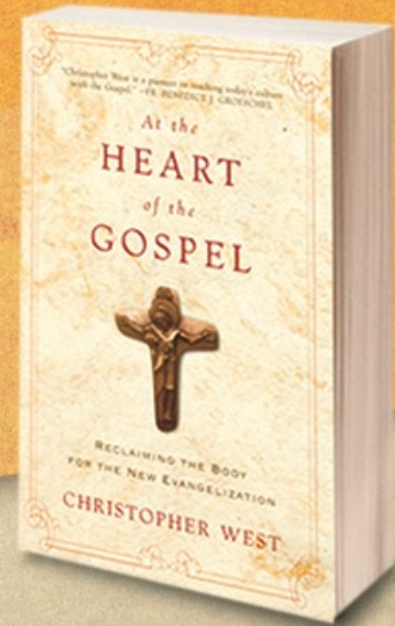
THURSDAY, APRIL 12TH 7:00PM
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC PARISH
2746 5TH ST. CASTLE ROCK, CO 80104

JOIN AUTHOR & SPEAKER
CHRISTOPHER WEST

FOR AN EVENING ON THE "WHYS" BEHIND
THE "WHAT" OF THE CATHOLIC TEACHING
ON HUMAN SEXUALITY.

**"OUR BODIES
PROCLAIM *the* GOSPEL"**

Christopher will be presenting on Pope John Paul II's
THEOLOGY OF THE BODY and his new book *AT THE HEART OF
THE GOSPEL: RECLAIMING THE BODY FOR THE NEW EVANGELIZATION.*



**THE SEXUAL REVOLUTION BROUGHT A TERRIBLY DISTORTED
VISION OF THE BODY AND SEX INTO THE MAINSTREAM.**

How should Christians respond? With his illuminating Theology of the Body, Pope John Paul II challenged the modern world to not stop at the surface, but to enter the depth of the "great mystery" that the body and sex reveal: a mystery that lies at the heart of the Gospel itself...



Since he first discovered John Paul II's teaching in 1993, Christopher West has devoted himself to sharing its life-transforming message with the world. In this highly anticipated work, West leads us into the depth of Christ's "nuptial union" with the church, demonstrating how authentic Catholic teaching on the body and sex saves us from both the libertine perspective of popular culture and the cold puritanism that has sometimes infected Christianity. In the process, West provides a blueprint for reaching our sexually broken world in the "new evangelization."

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NO COST TO ATTEND.

For More Information:
St. Francis Catholic Church
303-688-3025



Catholic Coffee Club



This Month:

Thursday, April 19th

All talks will be held in the School Auditorium from 8:00 - 9:00 am
Coffee and Bake Goods will be provided!

What is L-O-V-E?

Is it really all about chocolates and pretty flowers?
Come discover what God
intended for our marriages.



Presented by:

Presented by Matt and Mindy Dalton

Childcare will be provided in the Extended Care Room.

*Bring your tots along to join you in the Auditorium or
play with one of SVDP's Extended Care Staff Members.
\$5 Donation Suggested!*



Catholic School Night

AT COORS FIELD

New York Mets vs. Colorado Rockies

Saturday, April 28th @ 6:10

**Deadline for ticket orders
to your school
representative is:
Thursday, April 5, 2012**

\$12/\$18

**Tickets are limited!
Place your order
TODAY!**

Specific seating locations are subject to availability

Game Time Opponent	Upper Level \$12	Lower Level/Mid-Level \$18	TOTAL DUE
Saturday, April 28th @ 6:10pm vs. New York Mets	_____ tickets Value up to \$24	_____ tickets Value up to \$39	\$

Please pay your school by cash or check - All checks are to be made payable to your school.

School: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Other: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

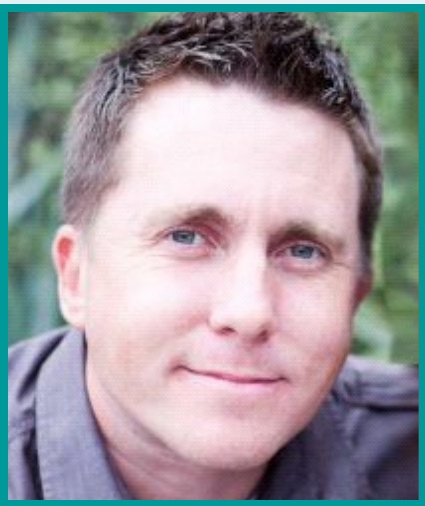
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These SPECIAL PRICES are available for all employees, families and friends of the Archdiocese of Denver and Archdiocese of Denver Catholic Schools. Come early to see the National Anthem by Catholic school representatives!



The Archdiocese of Denver Catholic Schools is an investment in the future of our children and our Catholic faith.

Protecting and Raising Pure Children



Don't miss this special presentation for
parents of children of all ages
by

Jason Evert,
internationally known speaker on chastity

and

Mike Harris,
a local investigator of Crimes Against Children.



Join Saint Vincent de Paul Parents

on **Tuesday, April 24, 2012**

at **7:00-8:30pm**

in the **Saint Vincent de Paul Cafeteria**



Raising Pure Children: Jason Evert

Jason Evert travels around the world speaking to over 100,000 teens each year about chastity and purity. He will be sharing with us his own insights, that he has gained from the Church's teaching on chastity, of practical ways we can raise pure children in our society.

Internet and Cell Phone Safety: Mike Harris

Mike Harris is an Investigator who works on Crimes Against Children cases with the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office. He and his wife, Cassandra, also an Investigator, are dedicated to the protection of children. He will be speaking to us on keeping our children safe while they use technology such as the internet and cell phones.

Prayer Groups for Moms and Dads

“For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy.” St. Therese of Lisieux



“Behold, I stand at the door and knock.”

(Rev. 3:20)

Moms:

Who: Any mothers of St. Vincent's children

Where: Adoration Chapel

When: Thursday, April 19th 7:00-8:00 PM

Why: To spend time in adoration of our Eucharistic Lord with other mothers in order to deepen one's relationship with Him. This will be an opportunity to be receptive to the Lord's love and in turn to be strengthened by Him Whose Heart burns out of love for us, in order to more deeply embrace the beautiful vocation of wife and mother.

How: Set aside an hour once a month. Prayer will be led by Sr. Maria Ivana through the use of Scripture, vocal prayer, and silent prayer. This will be a monthly prayer group, but no long-term commitment is necessary.

Dads:

Who: Any fathers of St. Vincent's children

Where: Adoration Chapel

When: TBA 7:00-8:00 PM

Why: To spend time in adoration of our Eucharistic Lord with other fathers in order to deepen one's relationship with Him. This will be an opportunity to be strengthened in the Lord's love by meeting Him in prayer and to experience the fatherhood of our Heavenly Father. Thus will one be empowered to give more freely and fully as a husband and father.

How: Set aside an hour once a month. Prayer will be led by *Br. John Ignatius, of the Servants of Christ Jesus, through the use of Scripture, vocal prayer, and silent prayer. This will be a monthly prayer group, but no long-term commitment is necessary.

*Brother John Ignatius Little was born and raised in California. Brother John has studied theology at Loyola Marymount University, Franciscan University of Steubenville, and St. John Vianney Seminary. Since co-founding a new Roman Catholic religious community in 2004, Brother John has completed trained missionaries for FOCUS, Life Teen and Fraternus. He presently directs Patriarch, a bible formation program for dads, and is Director of Campus Ministry at the University of Denver.