

**School Of Saint Peter Martyr**  
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**Wednesday, April 9, 2008**

God our Creator, you have brought us into being to find joy in communion with one another and to know you in our joy. We give you thanks for the communion we share as members of the Body of Christ your Son. Fill us, we pray, with the Spirit of your Son. Give us confidence as you call us to build up the Body of Christ. Help us to see in our everyday lives the moments and opportunities for caring and confirming and reconciling. Bless us with the patience to overcome frustration and with hope as we journey together. We ask this with confidence in the love you have shown us through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**CALENDAR UPDATE**

- April 9<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, Report Cards for students in grades 1 – 8 are going home with your child. Please take time to review your child's report card and return the signed report card to your child's teacher.
- April 11<sup>th</sup>, Friday, is Straw Hat Pizza Lunch. Students may purchase cheese or pepperoni pizza for \$2.00 a slice and soda, small Gatorade, or water for \$1.00.
- April 12<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, students from St. Peter Martyr School who have been preparing for the sacrament of First Holy Communion will celebrate the sacrament, 10:00 a.m. at St. Peter Martyr Church. Students receiving the sacrament should wear traditional First Communion attire and arrive at St. Peter Martyr Church by 9:30 a.m. Chorus members are also asked to arrive at 9:30 a.m. and to wear their choir uniform.
- April 15<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday, Tuition and Extended Care payments are due. We thank you for keeping your accounts current.
- April 16<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, Cub Scout meeting, 6:30 p.m.

**CONGRATULATIONS FIRST COMMUNICANTS**

Hunter Avalos	Tiffany Cortes	Kevin Lara	Brenden Riso
Elian Batista	Mark Dimacali	Isabelle Leber	Isabella Rivera
Leo Batista	Brendan Dinh	Gabriel Lucido	Johnathan Russo
Lia Batista	Agustin Estupinan	Czaryl Macayan	Caitlin Scarlett
Harley Blackard	Cecilia Fernandez	Amber Martinez	Marisa Sinisi
Alexandra Cardona	Monserrat Gomez	Andrea Molinar	Shanelle Torres-Perez
Giles Carlos	Rafael Gomez	Matthew Moynihan	Michael Tumbaga
Dennis Vu			

**SPM FAMILY PICNIC/BBQ**

Our SPM School Family Picnic will be held at Small World Park on Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Mark your calendars. Jumbo hotdogs and beverages will be served. There is no charge to attend. Rides will be open. A notice providing more details and to help us prepare for the picnic was sent home last week. Please respond by sending the completed form to the office.

**HEALTH & FITNESS AWARENESS MONTH**

The SPM School Board is promoting health and fitness throughout the month of April. The first activity to help raise awareness was a Health & Fitness T-Shirt Contest. SPM Health & Fitness T-Shirts are now on sale. A T-Shirt order form is enclosed. T-Shirts are \$10.00 for one and each additional T-Shirt on the same order is only \$5.00 (2 for \$15.00, 3 for \$20.00 ...). Students will be invited to wear these T-Shirts on various days during the month of April including our Health Fair on April 25<sup>th</sup>. **The deadline to order a T-Shirt is April 11<sup>th</sup>.** Send orders with payment to the school office. Be sure to specify the size.

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**THANK YOU ST. IGNATIUS PARISH**

Alleluia! St. Peter Martyr School is truly blessed to have the support of St. Ignatius Parish in Antioch. In addition to praying for our students, faculty and staff, they have also “adopted” our school as their own and generously donated to support Catholic education. This past week we received a check for \$5,754.23 from Rev. Robert Rien, Parochial Administrator of St. Ignatius. This money was from their parish Lenten Alms, Lenten Soup Suppers, and the collections from both Ash Wednesday and Holy Thursday. We are very grateful and appreciative of this generous support from Fr. Robert and the parishioners of St. Ignatius. Thank you and God bless you!

**LIFETOUCH SPRING PHOTOS**

Your child’s Spring Photos were sent home last Wednesday. Please look them over and decide if you wish to purchase any. Once you have made your decision remove the photos you are purchasing, enclose a check or money order made payable to **Lifetouch**, and return the payment to the school office along with any photos that you are not purchasing. **The deadline to return photos you are not purchasing and to send in payment for those that you are choosing to purchase is Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup>.**

**2008 – 2009 SCHOOL YEAR**

We are currently accepting and processing applications for the 2008-2009 school year for all grade levels, Prekindergarten, Kindergarten, and grades 1-8. If you have a child who is not currently enrolled at St. Peter Martyr School and you wish them to attend during the 2008-2009 school year, please pick up and complete an application immediately. Openings are available for all grade levels including Prekindergarten and Kindergarten.

**“Tell A Friend”:** Current St. Peter Martyr School families may earn a tuition credit of \$100.00 for each new family they bring to our school. The new family must list you as the source of the referral on their application to SPM School. The credit will be issued upon the acceptance and payment of the new family’s registration fee. If more than one family is listed as a referral the \$100 tuition credit will be shared equally among the names listed.

**ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM**

Our Pre-Kindergarten program strives to provide each child a safe, caring, and nurturing environment. Our curriculum is individualized to meet the needs and abilities of each child. No comparison of children with other children is made. We stress the importance of using good manners and teach the children to respect and appreciate one another.

Our Pre-Kindergarten program offers a variety of activities designed to enrich children’s experiences, to expand their language abilities, to provide reading readiness, to teach math readiness, and to extend cooperative social behavior. Through our religion program the children learn about God’s world.

Throughout the year the children work on skills such as color and shape recognition, number and letter recognition, counting, and one-to-one correspondence. We help the children to develop their small motor skills by teaching them to color within the lines, to cut well with scissors, to print their name, letters and numbers. We also work on large motor skills – throwing, catching, hopping...

Our Pre-Kindergarten is licensed through the State of California. For safety reasons all children must be signed in and out of Pre-K each day by an authorized adult. Our maximum class size is 24 students. There are two teachers and one teacher’s aide.

The Pre-Kindergarten program is a Kindergarten readiness program. Classes are Monday through Friday, 12:00 noon – 2:45 p.m. Students must be four years old by December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**\$1.00 BAR CHOCOLATE SALE**

St. Peter Martyr School is having one final fundraising event for this school year. We are selling assorted chocolate bars for only \$1.00 each. The chocolate comes in boxes containing 52 bars that include 14 Creamy Caramel, 12 Roasted Almond, 12 Crispy Rice, 6 Mint, and 8 Tasty Truffle. We are also offering a prize program for those choosing to participate. If you would like to participate please let us know how many boxes you can sell and we will send the chocolate home with your child. The deadline to send in the money to be eligible for prizes is May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**One Dollar Bar Chocolate  
Request Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Please send \_\_\_\_\_ Box (es) of Chocolate. (Each box has 52 bars, \$52.00, 14 Creamy Caramel, 12 Roasted Almond, 12 Crispy Rice, 8 Tasty Truffle, and 6 Mint)

**Money must be sent in by May 1<sup>st</sup> to be eligible for prizes.**