



## THE GOOD NEWS FEBRUARY 2018

Dear Parents,

Our hosting of the 8:00am Mass continues to be a wonderful success and great teaching experience for our students and their families. Our very enthusiastic **Fourth Graders** will host the Mass on **Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you to Chloe Choy, Samantha Estrada, Zarina and Zeke Eull, Cayenne Lawrence, Robert Leetch, Seamus Mc Dermott, Mya Mourad, Gabriella Schultz, Thomas Wilson, Keegan Zarefsky, Daniel Azouz, Sophia Garcia, Maya Mc Camant, Alissa Phillips, Ann Thekkinedath, Caitlyn Wong and their wonderful teachers Robyn Solimando, Barbara Mullen, Deborah Williams-Stiffler and Jeannie Haworth for preparing them for this special event.

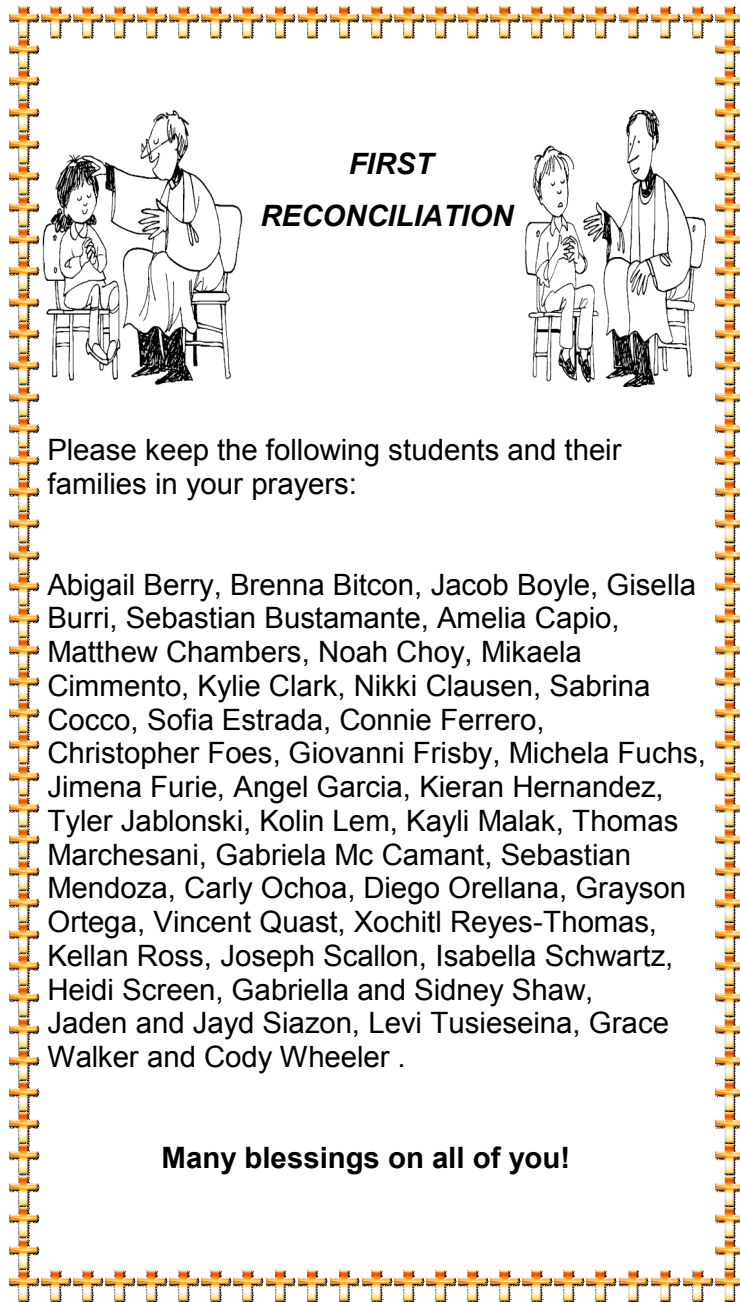
During the month of January, Vincent Dao our Director of Youth Ministry and Confirmation, taught the Archdiocesan **Teaching Touching Safety** class to our Junior High 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. I am very grateful to Vince for all his time, effort and expertise on behalf of our children.

We are very excited that our second year students will receive the **Sacrament of Penance** for the first time during this month. They have their choice of two different dates - this allows for smaller groups and provides enough time for the whole family to experience the healing power of the sacrament - Special thanks to our great Teachers and Aides: Jean Marzolino, Christine King, Eileen King, Margaret Michaels, and Larrisa Boyle. The children's names are listed on the reverse side of this newsletter.

Also, congratulations to the following first year students who celebrated their **Rite of Enrollment Ceremony** with their families and our Pastor Msgr. Mike and our Associate Pastor Simeon Song on January 29<sup>th</sup>: Kona Acosta, Adrian Albarracin, Emilia Almer, Daniel and Gabrielle Azouz, Vanessa Barnhart, Brianna Braunthal, Miles Chovit, Naya Clark, Jessenia Conchas, Alessandra De Paoli, Itzel Espinosa, Oscar and Samantha Estrada, Ian Guerrero-Estrada, Joseph Furie, Gabrielle Garcia, Katelyn Herrera, Brody Kakuk, Ciaran Killeen, Dylan Kilpatrick, Harper King, Giada Krulac, Anthony La Firenza, Kolleen Lem, Gwyneth Leys, Kaley Lockhart, Jackson Ludlow, Franki Marseglia, Olivia Marshall, Mia Bella Martinez, Paul McGrath, Chloe Mourad, Kathleen Obillo, Brooke Omatsu, Isabella and Vittorio Palmer, Sophia Rodriguez, Ellie Siverts, Mary Soto, Madilyn Szymanski, John Vega, Haley Vizgirda, Jacob Wheeler, Kian Wong and Michael Zavaleta along with their wonderful teachers and aides Sherie Marrazzo, Rosemarie Williams, Maureen Bradford, Eileen King and Eileen Welsler.

I am pleased to attach the February issue of **Partners in Faith**. Three highlights are: + Lent is a wonderful season of conversion and spiritual recharging. It is also an opportunity to share favorite Lenten devotions and practices with our children. The main article on page one explains. + The practice of sacrifice can be difficult to explain to children. The popular "Why Do Catholics Do That" feature gives parents vocabulary to use to help children understand. + This important season is also a time to examine who we are and who we want to become. The main article on page two offers families a suggestion for focusing on the practice of kindness during Lent. + Plus - we have enclosed your bonus Lent calendars with a faith-based practice for every day of the season.

God bless you!



**FIRST  
RECONCILIATION**

Please keep the following students and their families in your prayers:

Abigail Berry, Brenna Bitcon, Jacob Boyle, Gisella Burri, Sebastian Bustamante, Amelia Capio, Matthew Chambers, Noah Choy, Mikaela Cimmento, Kylie Clark, Nikki Clausen, Sabrina Cocco, Sofia Estrada, Connie Ferrero, Christopher Foes, Giovanni Frisby, Michela Fuchs, Jimena Furie, Angel Garcia, Kieran Hernandez, Tyler Jablonski, Kolin Lem, Kayli Malak, Thomas Marchesani, Gabriela Mc Camant, Sebastian Mendoza, Carly Ochoa, Diego Orellana, Grayson Ortega, Vincent Quast, Xochitl Reyes-Thomas, Kellan Ross, Joseph Scallon, Isabella Schwartz, Heidi Screen, Gabriella and Sidney Shaw, Jaden and Jayd Siazon, Levi Tusieseina, Grace Walker and Cody Wheeler .

**Many blessings on all of you!**

**FEBRUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- Feb 5            **First Penance** (Monday)  
7:00pm Church
- Feb 10          **First Penance** (Saturday)  
10:00am Church
- Feb 11          **RE 4th Grade**  
Hosts 8:00am Sunday Mass
- Feb 12          **RE Office Closed**
- Feb 14          **Ash Wednesday** - Mass 4pm Church  
All RE Students should come directly to Church
- Feb 19          **President's Day Holiday**  
**Parish & RE Office Closed**
- Feb 27-28      Spirit Day - **3rd Grade Hosts**
- March 4        **RE 7th and 8th Grade**  
Hosts 8:00am Sunday Mass
- March 5        First Communion Parent Meeting  
**(2nd year families)**  
Sacrament of Eucharist  
7:00pm Kavanagh Hall
- March 6-7      Classes & Earthquake Drill

**SUNDAY Children's Liturgy of the Word...**

Celebrated on the second and fourth Sunday of each month at the 10:00a.m. Mass for children ages 6-12.

The next Liturgy of the Word will be on Sunday, February 11th and 25th.

To volunteer, or for more information, please call Mary Wiest at (310) 540-7966.

**One Life LA**

One Life LA was a beautiful life affirming event that drew crowds of thousands to Exposition Park in Los Angeles. Archbishop Gomez led us in prayer; musicians lifted the spirits of all with their songs of praise; and amazing speakers encouraged us to love life from conception to natural death.

It was a spectacular event leaving all attendees looking forward to **One Life LA 2019**.