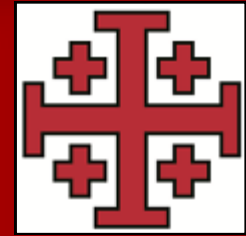


The Crusader Times



WEEKLY NEWS FROM THE ATONEMENT ACADEMY

Week 23: December 15, 2014



2015-2016 Registration at The Atonement Academy

For returning students and their siblings, registration begins online on our website at

www.AtonementOnline.com on Sunday, Jan. 4th. *This is also the time for parishioners to apply.*

The Open Application Period begins Jan. 18th. The Academy has welcomed many families on tours over the last few weeks, in anticipation of the next academic year. The new schedule for Tuition and Fees is now posted on our website. The website contains many pages of important information. Please begin your application inquiry there.



Upcoming...

- * DEC. 16-17-18: Early Dismissal. Exams Begin for MS & US Students
- * DEC. 16: Christmas Program, Grades PK & K, 2pm
- * DEC. 17: Christmas Program, Grades 1 & 2, 2pm
- * DEC. 18: Last Day of School and US Dance
- * DEC. 24: Christmas Vigil Masses at 5:00 p.m. and 11:30 p.m.
- * DEC. 25: Christmas Day Masses: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
- * JAN. 5: Back to School!

Nota Bene / Note Well:

- **CHRISTMAS BREAK:** Is an ideal time to mend uniforms and let our hems on slacks and skirts of our growing students! Parker Uniform will provide replacement buttons free of charge, too. Also review uniform and accessory policies in the handbook before blue cards call them to your attention!
- **PARKER UNIFORMS:** All in-stock merchandise is 20% off Dec. 3rd - Dec. 31st.
- **SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL WITH YOUR ONLINE SHOPPING!** Are you making online purchases, especially from Amazon.com? Please use our website www.ShopForAtonementAcademy.com as the starting point. Purchases made this site are guaranteed safe and a percentage of your purchase is paid back to our school. Please support our new initiative on behalf of Catholic education!
- **CATHOLIC INQUIRY CLASSES:** A new series begins on Sunday, January 4th, at 10:30 a.m. These classes are offered to those who are considering becoming Catholic, and for those who would like a basic course in Catholic teaching. Contact Alan Becker at alanmbecker@gmail.com for additional information.

TMEA COMPETITION SUCCESS!



Six Crusader upper scholars competed in the "Pre-Area" TMEA competition on December 2: **Maura Navarrete**, 8th Chair, (Soprano 1), **Veronika Prochko**, 7th Chair, (Soprano 2), **Daniel Rosa**, 6th Chair, (Tenor 2), **Bella Garza**, 4th Chair, (Soprano 2), **Skylar Black**, 2nd Chair, (Soprano 2), and **Mary Henriquez**, 4th Chair, (Alto 1).

Three of these students will move on to "Area" competitions on January 10. Congratulations and good luck to Bella, Skylar, and Mary as well as alternate Daniel Rosa. Bravo!

SENIORS 2015 —

College Acceptances Are Coming In!

This year's seniors are well ahead of previous year's students in acceptances to date. The following colleges and universities have offered our students spots in their freshman class of 2015:

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| Aquinas College | St. Louis Univ. |
| Baylor Univ. | St. Mary's Univ. |
| Benedictine | Southwestern Univ. |
| Franciscan Univ. | Texas A&M |
| Maryville College | Texas State |
| Mt. St. Mary's | Trinity Univ. |
| Oklahoma Univ. | Univ. of Dallas |
| St. Andrew's | Univ. of Kansas |
| (Scotland) | UTSA |
| St. Edward's Univ. | |

CHOIRS THIS WEEK

| <u>Dec.15th</u> M onday | <u>Dec. 16th</u> Tuesday | <u>Dec.17th</u> Wednesday | <u>Dec. 18th</u> Thursday |
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| 3rd Gr. Girls | MS-Trebles | MS-Girls | Honors Choir |

In the Spirit of the Season...

Chores for Charity: The fundraising effort by lower school students wrapped up this weekend — please send any funds to your classroom teachers as soon as possible so that final tallies may be made! Our youngest students spent two weeks doing chores for payment which they then turn over to benefit the children served by the St. Vincent de Paul Society!



Class of 2016 Achieves

PSAT SUCCESS

Thomas Pecha earned a Perfect Score on the PSAT and three classmates achieved the 99 Percentile ranking: **Ana Henriquez**, **Mary Henriquez**, and **Luke Cannon**.

We are proud of these four students who have definitely raised the bar for their class and subsequent classes! Well done, Crusaders!

Music Notes

Mr. Brett Patterson began his first few weeks on the job with student Christmas concerts the past two Friday nights as well as Sunday's Nine Lessons and Carols. All were marked by astoundingly beautiful performances — including Father Phillips's talent on the organ for the student concerts! Pictured here are the boys in our St. Augustine Boychoir just before their concert Sunday afternoon. Well done!

