

The Crusader Times



WEEKLY NEWS FROM THE ATONEMENT ACADEMY

Week 34: March 16, 2015

CATHOLIC EDUCATION MATTERS

In 3 years of going to daily Mass, we will have read (almost) the entire Bible!



Based on the three-year cycle of Sunday Mass readings and two-year cycle of daily Mass readings, 80% to 90% of the Bible is read during a 3-year period.

St. Jerome said that “ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ,” which is why the Church puts such importance upon the Liturgy of the Word...during Mass we listen to the Word of God speaking to us personally, allowing us to get to know Him better, and whetting our appetites just enough to want to continue studying Sacred Scripture...our children will have many opportunities to share our Catholic faith with our Protestant brothers and sisters.

Knowledge of the Bible is essential to effectively communicate with them and explain the fullness of the Truth which only the Catholic Church holds.

—Seton Magazine

Upcoming...

- * MAR 17: ITBS Testing Begins
- * MAR.18: Academic Awards Assembly after 9:20 Mass
- * MAR. 27-28: TPSMEA State Choir Competition in Houston
- * MAR. 30: PSAT Information Session for (Parents and Students in Grades 8, 9, & 10)
- * APR.3: Good Friday, No School
- * APR. 6-10: Easter Break

Nota Bene / Note Well:

- **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** take place every Friday at 2:15. Students will then return to their classes until regular dismissal time. In addition, your families and friends are invited to our Friday evening devotions — at 7 pm, the parish offers Evensong, Stations of the Cross and Benediction.
- **OPEN REGISTRATION** : Current families in the school, *not yet* registered for 2014-2015, are reminded that the registration fee rises to \$700 per student after March 31st. Please do not delay in pushing a few buttons on the key-board! If you must make special arrangements to complete your registration, please contact the office manager, Mr. Ott at rott@atonementonline.com.
- **YOUR SHOPPING CAN HELP OUR SCHOOL!** Consider making your online purchases through www.ShopForAtonementAcademy.com. We receive a portion back from your purchases. Please use this link



CRUSADER ATHLETICS

GAME SCHEDULES

Upcoming game schedules are on our sports website:
www.AtonementSports.com



PENNY WAR CONTINUES!

Throughout Lent, the students of The Atonement Academy collect alms for our sister school in the Holy Land – St. Joseph Latin Patriarchate School – through the “**Penny War.**” Pennies count toward the goals of each class, but any other coins or dollar bills will “sabotage” the amount. Sometimes the goals are inverted, but it’s all for a good cause.

Jars for the clergy and other administrators in the fight are located in the lobby of the academy, where they are often sabotaged! Last year, the academy students raised over \$8,000, and they are looking to improve their numbers this year. If you have jars of pennies at home, help by adding your pennies to the cause. Thank you for your assistance in the Penny War and helping our friends in the Holy Land.



Fifth Grade Girls Up-Cycle!

Come to the library this week and see the handiwork of the 5th grade girls and their “Up-Cycling” project.

The 5th grade girls teacher, Mrs. Gonzlaes, explained: “Up-Cycling has been around for decades, if not centuries. Some of the best examples of modern up-cycling come from the 1930s-40s when families had very little economic or material resources for non-essential items. In this age of thrift, they reused almost everything, repurposing items over and over until they were no longer useful: Feed sacks became dresses or old tires became landscape pots.” Most of the girls made jewelry, purses, or hair accessories from their repurposed items.



Upper School Families: If you are staying in town over Easter Break and want to explore your options for the future, go to the TACAC San Antonio Regional College Fair. It is a Free Event hosted by Trinity University on Wednesday, April 8 from 6pm-8pm in the Laurie Auditorium. It is impossible to know which college is right for you until you check out a few. This is an opportunity to speak with over 135 different college representatives and learn what they have to offer. I highly recommend attending this event if you are able! For more information visit: <http://www.tacac.org/sacollegefair>.

Questions about your child and college prep? Contact Mrs. Amanda Trevino at atrevino@atonementonline.com.

S-O-S: Our Annual Fundraiser is Coming Soon!

The help of every Atonement family is needed to
make our annual Gala & Auction a success!



SAVE *the* DATE

THE ATONEMENT ACADEMY'S 7TH ANNUAL

Gala and Live Auction

DATE: SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2015

PLACE: PEDROTTI'S RANCH, HELOTES

Gala Auction Item Donations Needed

We are in need of auction items for our silent and live auctions. You may already have access to auction-worthy items and not even realize it! Please look through this list of ideas and contact Veronica Rabey at 210-288-7352 or Devemi@gmail.com with questions or to donate items. Donating items can be a great tax write-off!

- Do you have a timeshare? Airline tickets or miles? Connections for travel or vacation spots?
- Do you have tickets to local/regional sporting events? Do you have connections to tickets or sports memorabilia?
- Do you have connections with the San Antonio Symphony, Ballet San Antonio?
- Do you have connections to local restaurants, wineries, bed and breakfast, hotels?
- Do you know someone who would donate services such as house cleaning, lawn care, hanging Christmas lights, babysitting (by an Academy student), car wash (eg., Wash Tub)?
- Do you have connections with services such as computer technology, home entertainment, interior design, professional photography?
- Do you have connections with a local gym, personal trainer, dietician, dance studio?
- Do you have connections with HEB or Whole Foods?
- Do you have connections with a spa, nail salon, hair studio, or make up artist?
- Do you have connections at a local/regional golf club or resort?
- Do you have connections or access to a hunting lease, camping supplies or spots, or adventure outings (hot air balloon rides, zip lining, guided hikes)
- Do you have connections at local museums (Witte), theaters (Majestic, Majik, movie), or attractions (Fiesta Texas, SeaWorld, San Antonio Zoo, etc.)?
- Do you have connections at attractions in the state of Texas or elsewhere (Disney)?
- Do you teach or have connections with music, art, scrapbooking, cooking, photography classes?
- Do you have connections with a person or a group of interest with whom dinner or lunch could be arranged?
- Do you have items that could be donated: clothing, purses, jewelry, luggage, gift cards, wine/liquor, book collections, cookware, quilts, religious items, toys, art, games?