



ST. LAURENCE

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A NEWSLETTER FOR THE FAMILIES OF ST. LAURENCE WEEKDAY CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

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Director's Corner

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Dear Parents,

It is the time of year when many of us resolve to do things better in the New Year. Why not resolve to pray daily as a family and to set aside time for your own personal prayers. Teaching your child to pray every day helps him develop a relationship with God. It is our most important responsibility as a parent.

The catechism of the Catholic Church says that "parents receive the responsibility and the privilege of evangelizing their children" (cc 2225). Parents are the first and greatest influences on the religious development of their children. A parent shares faith with a child by speaking of faith and by setting a good example. Daily prayer is a part of our religious heritage. Prayer with meals, in the morning, at noon, in the evening and at the bedside marks the movement of the day and shows God's presence throughout.

Having a special place in your home set aside for prayer can be a reminder to take time out of a busy schedule for talking and listening to God. You can set up a prayer table or prayer corner in your home; it can be in your family room, living room or dining room as a reminder for your family to pray together. A personal prayer table can be set up in your bedroom. You can include religious items that invite prayer such as a Crucifix, Holy Pictures, Bible, Rosary, and Religious Statues, a book of Prayers and a book or pad for special prayer intentions and journaling.

Over the years the important relationship with God will be formed and developed through daily prayer. Encourage your child to turn to God every day in prayer and it will become his way of life. "Parents have the mission of teaching their children to pray and discover their vocation as children of God" (cc, 2226)

Blessing in the New Year,

Becky

Reference; Catechism of the Catholic Church

Quality Early Childhood Education for All Children

OUR MISSION:

St. Laurence Weekday Children's Program is an early childhood ministry of St. Laurence Parish. We believe that children are the heart of the Kingdom of God. Together with family and community we are called to support children's spiritual and human growth and development.



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What's Happening at WCP this Month?

Label, Label, Label

In order to insure that your child's belongs are returned to you at the end of the day. You must label them. We have had many instances in recent weeks of children losing jackets and or hats, the first question we always ask is, "Was the name in it?" Many children have jackets that are identical and it is impossible for the staff to remember which child wore what jacket, especially if they take it off on the playground. Remember put his/her name in it in a conspicuous place, so even if it gets taken to the wrong class we can see who it belongs to and get it returned to your child.

Remember *Mabel's Labels* is a Fundraiser for WCP

Check out Mabel's Labels for all of your label needs! campaigns.mabelslables.com

Be sure to scroll down to select St. Laurence WCP when ordering!

MLK HOLIDAY

Monday, January 15

WCP will be **CLOSED**

Come & Discover St. Laurence Catholic School!

On Friday, January 19th

At 10:00 AM

Join us for a coffee in the Small Gathering Room, where you'll have the opportunity to hear more about SLCS and continuing your child's Catholic education. Principal Suzanne Barto and Registrar Marie Brown will be on hand to answer questions you may have and share more about our wonderful school. For more information visit our web site at

www.stlaurenceparish.org/school

OPEN HOUSE on Saturday, January 27th 3:00 - 4:30 pm

SLWCP 2018 - 2019 Registration

- ◆ January 24 and 25 Currently Enrolled Families - priority registration forms sent home
- ◆ February 3 Currently Enrolled Families – registration forms due
- ◆ February 11 and 12 Placement letters sent home



What's Happening at WCP this Month?



Mardi Gras Event is approaching fast!

Tuesday, February 13th

Tickets on sale soon!

We need furniture! We need furniture!

The Children's Art Project is looking for child sized wooden furniture to begin creating our classroom pieces for MGM. If you have any furniture you would like to donate, please contact the Art Project Chairman, Maria Bonilla at

mariabonilla86@live.com or 281-917-7671

As we prepare for our biggest fundraiser of the year, Mardi Gras Madness (MGM) we will be collecting items for our silent auction. Do you have a service, retail item, or gift certificate you would like to donate? Help promote your business by donating and your company will be highlighted in our MGM brochure. Questions? Contact: Stephen Montoya, Silent Auction Chair smontoya@montlarqo.com

CONGRATULATIONS!

SLWCP program has achieved a new, five-year term of NAEYC Accreditation by successfully completing the renewal process. The NAEYC Accreditation of Early Learning Programs commends St. Laurence Weekday Children's Program (# 528955) for its outstanding efforts in maintaining and renewing NAEYC Accreditation.

Your dedication and commitment to continuous quality improvement by re-engaging in the NAEYC Accreditation system is remarkable.

Standard Name and Number Pass Rate

1. Relationships 100%
2. Curriculum 93%
3. Teaching 100%
4. Assessment of Child Progress 100%
5. Health 100%+
6. Teachers 91%
7. Families 100%+
8. Community Relationships 100%+



January 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1	2	3	4	5 <i>Staff Back Work Day</i>	6	
	<i>Christmas Break</i> →						
7	8	9	10	11 <i>Pre School Prayer Time (PPT)</i>	12 <i>PPT</i>	13	
14	15 <i>MLK Holiday</i>	16	17	18	19 <i>SLCS Coffee</i>	20 <i>Ministry Leaders</i>	
21	22 <i>Advisory Board</i>	23	24	25 <i>PPT</i>	26 <i>PPT</i>	27	
28	29	30	31				

February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 <i>PPT</i>	2 <i>PPT</i>	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 <i>MGM Auction Set Up</i>	13 <i>Mardi Gras</i>	14 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	15	16 <i>Chinese New Year</i>	17
18	19 <i>Holiday</i>	20	21	22 <i>PPT Staff Meeting</i>	23 <i>PPT</i>	24 <i>SLCS Screening</i>
25	26 <i>Advisory Board</i>	27	28			



Soccer Shots
The Children's Soccer Experience

INTRO TO SOCCER CLASSES!

ENROLL ONLINE TODAY

Soccer Shots is an engaging children's soccer program for ages 2-8 with a focus on character development. Our caring team positively impacts children's lives on and off the field through best in class coaching, curriculum and communication.



Our **coaches** are the best trained in the business



Our **curriculum** is expert approved, age appropriate, & aligns with childhood education standards



Our **communication** is thorough, guaranteeing an exceptional customer experience

Our weekly 30-40 minute classes include:

- Basic soccer skills
- Character-building lessons
- Coordination, balance, and agility development
- Exclusive Soccer Shots games
- Weekly and seasonal prizes

SPRING 2018 SEASON INFO:

Where: On site at the St. Laurence Weekday Children's Program

When: Tuesdays & Fridays

January 9th – May 15th (Tuesdays)

No Class: March 13th & March 27th

1:30 PM – 2:05 PM (Classic, Ages 3-5)

January 12th – May 18th (Fridays)

No Class: March 16th & March 30th

1:30 PM – 2:05 PM (Classic, Ages 3-5)

Ages: 3-5

Cost: \$204 / 17-week season

Includes: Soccer Shots Beanie Hat, Medal & Certificate

ENROLL @ soccershots.org/Houston and click "Enroll At A Site"



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