



LA SALLE UNIVERSITY
INTEGRATED SCHOOL

DAILY SCHOOL BULLETIN

Thursday, 25 February 2010



GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY:

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew: 7:7-12

7 "Ask, and it will be given you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 8 For every one who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. 9 Or what man of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? 10 Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent? 11 If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him! 12 So whatever you wish that men would do to you, do so to them; for this is the law and the prophets.

The Gospel of the Lord

Meditation:

Do you expect God to hear your prayers? Esther's prayer on behalf of her people is a model for us. She prayed for help according to God's promise to be faithful to his people. God wants us to remember his promises and to count on his help when we pray. Jesus wanted to raise the expectations of his disciples when he taught them how to pray. Jesus' parable of the father feeding his son illustrates the unthinkable! How could a loving father refuse to give his son what is good; or worse, to give him what is harmful? In conclusion Jesus makes a startling claim: How much more will the heavenly Father give to those who ask! Our heavenly Father graciously gives beyond our expectations. Jesus taught his disciples to pray with confidence because the Heavenly Father in his goodness always answers prayers. That is why we can boldly pray: *Give us this day our daily bread.*

Those who know and trust in God's love, pray with great boldness. Listen to what John Chrysostom, a 5th century church father, has to say about the power of prayer: "Prayer is an all-efficient panoply [i.e. 'a full suit of armor' or 'splendid array'], a treasure undiminished, a mine never exhausted, a sky unobstructed by clouds, a haven unruffled by storm. It is the root, the fountain, and the mother of a thousand blessings. It exceeds a monarch's power. ..I speak not of the prayer which is cold and feeble and devoid of zeal. I speak of that which proceeds from a mind outstretched, the child of a contrite spirit, the offspring of a soul converted – this is the prayer which mounts to heaven. ..The power of prayer has subdued the strength of fire, bridled the rage of lions, silenced anarchy, extinguished wars, appeased the elements, expelled demons, burst the chains of death, enlarged the gates of heaven, relieved diseases, averted frauds, rescued cities from destruction, stayed the sun in its course, and arrested the progress of the thunderbolt. In sum prayer has power to destroy whatever is at enmity with the good."

Prayer flows from the love of God; and the personal love we show to our neighbor is fueled by the love that God has poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:5). Jesus concludes his discourse on prayer with the reminder that we must treat our neighbor in the same way we wish to be treated by God and by others. We must not just avoid doing harm to our neighbor, we must actively seek his or her welfare. In doing so, we fulfill the law and the prophets, namely what God requires of us – loving God with all that we have and are and loving our neighbor as ourselves. The Holy Spirit is every ready to transform our lives in Jesus' way of love. Do you thirst for holiness and for the fire of God's love?

PRAYER:

Let us pray...

"Let us love you, our Lord and our God, and see ourselves as we really are – pilgrims in this world, Christians called to respect and love all whose lives we touch, those in authority over us or those under our authority, our friends and our enemies. Help us to conquer anger with gentleness, greed by generosity, apathy by fervor. Help us to forget ourselves and reach out towards each other."

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Dates to Remember:

- March 4 - 5 - Visit of the Brother Superior General
- March 10 - 12 - Graduating Students' Exams
- March 16 - 18 - Non-Graduating Students' Exams
- March 18 - Moving Up Ceremony [Kinder]
- March 19 - Transition Ceremony [Grade 6]
- March 20 - Graduation Ceremony [Grade 10]
- March 31 - Start of SY 2010-2011 and Sumer 2010 Enrollment
- April 12 - May 14 - Summer Classes

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE VICE PRINCIPAL FOR ACADEMICS

1. Teachers are reminded to submit your CPG diligently.
2. Students, be informed that there will be NO SPECIAL EXAMS FOR THE FINALS. Students are requested to remind their parents to pay before the scheduled exams for the Finals. March 10-12 [Graduating]; March 16-18 [Non-Graduating].

Dates to Remember:

- February 24—Submission of Graduating Students' Final Examination TOS & TQ
- March 2—Submission of Undergrad Final Examination TOS & TQ

BROADCASTING TEAM

The Broadcasting Team will have a whole day practice today in preparation for the national competition which will be held on February 22—26, 2010 in Davao City. Please excuse them from their classes starting today until February 27, 2010.

Chad Lim	Maehara Flores	Gilly Gallego
Ramon Dejos	Bea Chiong	
Kahreen de Gracia	Katrina Dumanjug	

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE VICE PRINCIPAL FOR ADMINISTRATION

Club Output

Club advisers are reminded to PLAN, IMPLEMENT AND PRODUCE CONCRETE OUTPUT before the end of the school year.

CLASS PICTURE TAKING

Class picture taking will resume on Monday, March 1, 2010.

FROM THE SPORTS OFFICE

Congratulations to ...

The following NMRAA winners

YZEL GRACE ILISAN
Gold - Lawn Tennis

DARLENE ALEXIS CEBEDO
Silver - 100 m Butterfly stroke
Bronze - 200 m Breast stroke
- 100 m Breast stroke

