

R. E. NEWS ~ WHAT'S UP!

September 2010

BLESSED JUNIPERO SERRA PARISH

Welcome to Religious Education

Welcome aboard to new students and families and welcome back to those returning! We are excited to be here to journey with you as we share the gospel or "Good News" of Jesus Christ with one another.

Some changes for the new year:

- We will be signing in and out in the classrooms. Please be timely so that Catechists can begin in prayer as requested by Father Leo.
- We have new texts! Faith First is published by RCL and includes some fantastic features to help families connect at home. I will highlight one of these features in the newsletter each month.

Some things will be the same:

- We will once again partner with Mission Bell Pre-School in the area of Social Justice as we collect items each month to be distributed by the BJSP Society of St. Vincent de Paul to the hungry and homeless of our community. We are asking families that are able to bring APPLES during the month of September. Please leave them on the table in the Parish Hall foyer. Thank You!
- Remember our session times: Early—4—5:15 & Late—5:30—6:45. Please make it a priority to be on time!!



A Child is not a vessel to be filled, but a lamp to be lit.
~Hebrew proverb

DATES TO REMEMBER !

Saturday, September 18th

Regional Congress at Bishop Alemany High School, Mission Hills. All day. Contact: kharter@fatherserra.org

Sunday, September 19th

Catechetical Sunday
Come join us as our Catechists receive a special blessing at the 12:00 noon Mass.

Saturday, October 2nd

Parish Picnic
See you at Lane Park from noon—4pm for a day of fun, food and games with our parish community!

IMPORTANT PARENT MEETINGS

For parents of **3rd grade First Communion** classes. This is the first of two required meetings this year. It will only be offered one time so please mark your calendar now!

Wednesday, October 27th 7—9 pm

Father Leo will present a "Walk through the Mass". Families plan to attend!

Special Feature of Faith First

- Each chapter concludes with a section called "**With My Family**". This sums up the lesson your child has done in class, gives some suggestions for scripture reading at home, a prayer for the home and ideas for "making a difference" activities that will help your child apply what they have learned in class to their lives. Please make use of this resource to share with your child.