




Mary Immaculate Queen School   
 52 Years Working with Families in Faith

Wednesday January 11, 2012

Sr. Beena Joseph

Dear Parents,

Today marks the end of our First Semester. I can't believe how fast the first half of the year has flown by! We begin the Third Quarter tomorrow with God's continual guidance, protection and blessings.

National Vocation Awareness Week: The Catholic Church in the United States is celebrating the National Vocation Awareness Week from Jan 9<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>. Let us strengthen our own vocation and help our children to discern and respond to God's call.

Report Card: Students Report Card will be mailed to you on Jan 18<sup>th</sup>. Any parents who would like to have a conference with your teacher please call the concerned teacher and schedule one.

Prayer Service: On Jan 13<sup>th</sup> there will be a Prayer Service in the hall at 7:55 A.M in honor of Martin Luther King's Birth Day.

The students who excelled in Arts which is the Subject of the Month for December will be awarded after prayer service. You are welcome to join us.

Spelling Bee: MIQ Spelling Bee will be on Jan 19<sup>th</sup>, and Catholic Schools Spelling Bee at OLPH, Clovis will be on Jan 28<sup>th</sup>.

CSW: Catholic Schools Week is coming up. We celebrate this event from Jan 30<sup>th</sup> to Feb 4<sup>th</sup>. More information on this will be sent home later.

Peach Blossom: Peach Blossom is scheduled during Catholic Schools Week on Monday, Jan 30<sup>th</sup>.

Praying the Rosary:

Some wrong information regarding praying the rosary before Mass is being communicated. I would like to clarify this point, - praying the rosary is a Catholic tradition and practice by which we express our devotion and faith to our Blessed Mother. Our School is named after Blessed Mother and we cherish her patronage. We will keep up this practice of praying the rosary on a different day. For the past 14 years it was the practice that MIQ Rosary Club led the rosary once a week before Mass in the parish then on a Mass day in the hall. However, as a trial last year we prayed with the entire school which was appreciated by all. However, this year's new changes in school timing, and Mass being held in the church it is too much for the little ones to sit quietly and be focused over an hour and a half. for Rosary and Mass together. So, we as a faculty with Msgr. John decided to have rosary on every Friday in the hall at 7:55 am with Morning Prayer. In case we have any Prayer Service or Reconciliation service on Fridays we will change to another day and we will let you know if you are interested to pray with us. I urge you parents to pray the rosary everyday, make it as a family prayer. It is powerful weapon to protect us and save us from all evil and harm.

Presentation on Bullying: Yesterday we had the presentation on Bullying which was quite educative and informative. The students from SJM shared their experiences. We pray that our school be bully free and continue to create a safe environment.

**Thank you parents for all that you do to support and encourage us.**

*God Bless, Sr. Beena Joseph*

Lunch

Thurs. 1-12- Hot Dogs

Tues. 1-17- Chicken Noodle Soup

Wed. 1-18- Tacos and Rice

Thurs. 1-19- Hot Dogs

**Our School Accreditation is coming up.**

**We really need your cooperation.**

**Please fill in the two WCEA Surveys.**

**1. Catholic Identity**

**2. Improving students learning for Catholic schools**

**It is on our MIQ Website**

**[www.miqschool.org](http://www.miqschool.org) click on the link**

**"Catholic Identity Survey" this is**

**available from Jan.11 -28<sup>th</sup>.**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**JANUARY**

**1-9 thru 1-14-**National Vocation Awareness Week

**1-11-** End of First Semester

**1-13-** Prayer Service @ O'Doherty Hall @7:55am in honor of Martin Luther King Jr.

**1-16- NO SCHOOL-** Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Observed

**1-18-**8am Mass @ St. Peters

**1-19-**MIQ Spelling Bee

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God." Mathew 5:8

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