

Saint Peter School News June, 2023

Dear Parents,

As we all look forward to summer and a calmer and more restful schedule, I simply share with you the beautiful message our Holy Father Pope Francis shared to the young people who are preparing for a Pilgrimage to Portugal to celebrate World Youth Day. He spoke of our Blessed Mother Mary as the model to step outside of ourselves and see and meet the needs around us. Activities that bring us out of ourselves and our small world instill in us a more global vision and keep us focused on the more important aspects of life instead of staying closed in within ourselves. " In these troubling times...Mary shows to all of us, and especially to you, young people like herself, the path of proximity and encounter. I hope and I firmly believe that the experience many of you will have in Lisbon next August will represent a new beginning for you, the young, and – with you – for humanity as a whole. After the Annunciation, Mary could have focused on herself and her own worries and fears about her new condition. Instead, she entrusted herself completely to God. Her thoughts turned to Elizabeth. She got up and went forth, into the world of life and movement. Even though the astonishing message of the angel had caused a seismic shift in her plans, the young Mary did not remain paralyzed, for within her was Jesus, the power of resurrection and new life. Within herself, Mary already bore the Lamb that was slain and yet lives. She arises and sets out, for she is certain that God's plan is the best plan for her life. Mary becomes a temple of God, an image of the pilgrim Church, a Church that goes forth for service, a Church that brings the good news to all! To experience the presence of the risen Christ in our own lives, to encounter him "alive", is the greatest spiritual joy, an explosion of light that can leave no one untouched. Mary sets out immediately, anxious to bring the news to others, to bear witness to the joy of this encounter. This too is what caused the haste of the first disciples following the resurrection: "the women left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples" In the accounts of the resurrection, we often encounter two words: "awake" and "arise". With them, the Lord pushes us to go out towards the light, to let him lead us across the threshold of all of our closed doors. "This image has great meaning for the Church. We too, as disciples of the Lord and the Christian community, are called to get up quickly, to enter into the mystery of the resurrection, and to let the Lord guide us along the paths that he wishes to point out to us. The Mother of the Lord is a model for young people on the move, who refuse to stand in front of a mirror to contemplate themselves or to get caught up in the "net". Mary's focus is always directed outwards. She is the woman of Easter, in a permanent state of exodus, going forth from herself towards that great Other who is God and towards others, her brothers and sisters, especially those in greatest need, like her cousin Elizabeth."



Bishop's Scholar Society Winners

We joyfully congratulate our eighth graders who received the Bishop's Scholarship to attend Berks Catholic High School. We are so proud of:
Allison Diaz Ennybel Mejia Leonel Romero

Nolde Forest Art Contest

We are so proud of our finalists and winners for the Nolde Forest Art Contest. We are also so proud of our Art Teacher, Mrs. Doney, who brings out the artistic talent of our amazing students:
Danilyn Muñoz(4) 1° Pl. Annalise Sierra (5)
Naleigha Merritt (4) 3°Pl. Jarieu Bah (8) 3°Pl.
Hadassa Perez (5) Ennybel Mejia (8)
Liliana Santiago (5) 3°Pl. Nathalie Ortiz (8)

CYO Art Show at GoggleWorks

Saint Peter School proudly announces its participants and winners in the Annual CYO Art Show. The artistic masterpieces are on display at the GoggleWorks. We congratulate our very talented art teacher, Mrs. Doney and her 6th, 7th, and 8th grade winning students:

Janellys Abreu(6)	Erica Rodriguez (7)
Nathalie Buenano (6) 3°	Annabel Salvador (7)
Nelson Carmona (6)	Milagros Solis (7) HM
Ana Fria (6)	Josander Tavarez (7)HM
Xavi Martinez (6) HM	Jorge Tineo (7)
Valery Mendez (6)HM	Rosemeydi Ureña (7)
Sarai Paniagua (6)2°	Miarelys Albino (8)
Jiovani Peña (6)	Zoe Alonzo (8) HM
Dulcemaria Ramirez (6)	Jarieu Bah (8) 2°
Mael Vargas-Paula (6) HM	Jonas Batista (8) 3°
Chris Yepez (6) HM	Madison Carrillo(8) HM
Karina Andrade (7) HM	Nicole Castro (8) HM
Gabriela Caloca-Ortiz (7)HM	Delayla Colon (8)
Juan Castañeda (7)	Allison Diaz (8) HM
Jenelsie Espinal (7)	Maxine Mayo (8)2°
Jaylyiah Hood (7)	Ennybel Mejia (8) HM
Francheska Kranwinkel HM	Jaysalynn Mendez 3°
Britney Martinez (7) HM	Aiden Peña (8) 2°
Yarlenis Ureña-Linares (8) HM	

Senatorial Good Citizenship Award

We celebrate our students in grades 1- 8 who were nominated by their teachers for this award. Some of the criteria used to determine winners were: showing concern and respect for others; completing homework and projects in a timely fashion; obeying school rules; showing leadership and volunteering to be of service. We congratulate

Alexander Jaurez (1)	Nyleah Connor(5)
Isabella Ruiz (1)	Angel Vargas (5)
Daniela Santiago (2)	Jaison Jordan (6)
Oliver Yepez (2)	Dulcemaria Ramirez (6)
Missael Fernandez (3)	Tiffany Rodriguez (7)
Iker Moreno (3)	Gabriela Rosas (7)
Alejandro Cruz (4)	Ennybel Mejia (8)
Xitlali Uribe (4)	Moises Perez-Bbarajas (8)

8th Grade Graduation Mass

The 8th Grade Graduation Mass will be Monday, June 5 at 6:30p.m. We are so proud of the many accomplishments of our 8th graders and we wish the many blessings as they journey to high school.

