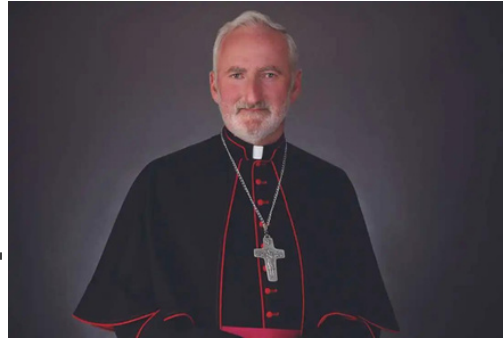


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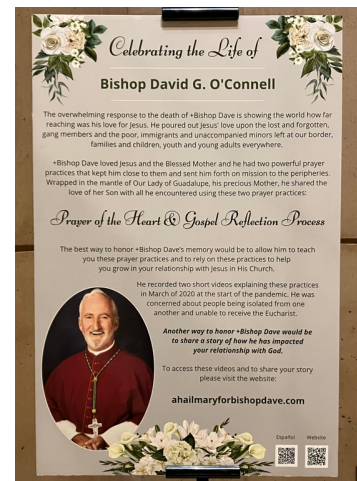
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BISHOP DAVID O'CONNELL

Written by: Emiley Pantoja, 6th Grade



Bishop David O'Connell, sadly, passed away on February 18, 2023 at the age of 69. He is being mourned in Los Angeles and in his home country of Ireland. Bishop O'Connell was born in 1953 in County Cork, on Ireland's southern coast. He was baptized at Sacred Heart Church where he later served as an altar server. Bishop O'Connell maintained close ties to Cork, and his family there, returning at least once a year, most recently last summer. Sacred Heart was also where he celebrated his first Mass following his ordination in 1979. He was appointed a Bishop in 2015. Bishop O'Connell ministered to immigrants and the poor for 45 years in the South Los Angeles area. Bishop David became a pastor at St. Frances X. Cabrini in South Los Angeles. Here at SJS, we had a very beautiful memorial for Bishop Dave in front of our St. Fatima statue. On Tuesday, February 21st, all SJS students gathered around the memorial. That day we also prayed the rosary and the students brought flowers in honor of Bishop Dave. He was a kind, loving, sweet, and caring soul and generous person to us here at SJS. Here is a nice quote about Bishop Dave from our principal, Mr. Ranney, "I loved the way Bishop David would always start his mass with a joke." Bishop David meant a lot to us at SJS. He would sometimes have Mass for us in our church. Our community respected him so much. Bishop O'Connell has had many memorials to honor him and that allows people to pay their respect for his life. The whole community has gathered to pray for his eternal life and celebrate the life of a good man. He will be missed by all of us and by everyone who knew him.

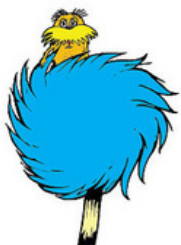


DR. SEUSS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

Written by: Grace Perez, Grade 7,

Photos taken by: Olivia Perez, Grade 6

Hello everyone! How has your day been? Has anybody been reading lately? I sure have! Speaking about books... Dr. Seuss Week was last week here at our school! We were celebrating reading at SJS. We also celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday on March 2nd. Dr. Seuss was born on March 2nd. Dr. Seuss went to an Ivy League school called Dartmouth (dart-mo-thhh) College. Later in life he made his first drawing for an advertisement for "Quick, Henry, the Flit!". His first-ever book was called "And to Think I Saw it on Mulberry Street." Of course, we all know and love "The Cat in the Hat!" Last week at school was spectacular! We got to dress up in orange and mustaches one day, and green on another. One day was hat day. It even actually snowed on campus one day! Finally, some famous quotes about reading from our SJS staff! Mrs. Storey tells us, "Reading makes us smarter and wiser, so go and read a book!" Mrs. Sahagun shares that, "Reading takes us to places we have never been before. It challenges our minds!" Keep on reading everyone!

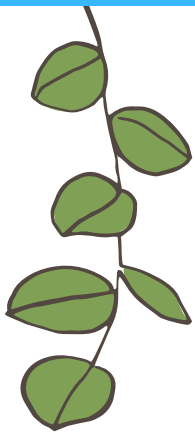


ACADEMIC DECATHLON

On campus photos taken by: Olivia Perez, Grade 6

So proud of our 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders who showed great dedication in their preparation for the Academic Decathlon. Our two teams competed on Saturday, March 4th at Damien High School. They represented St. Joseph School well!

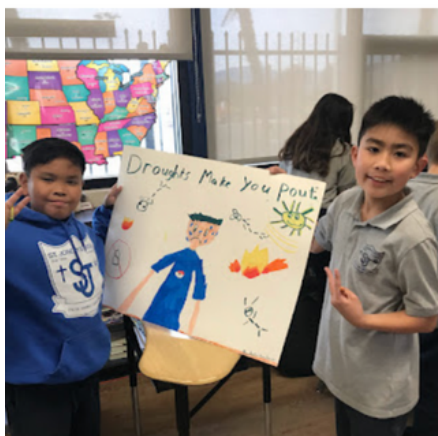




A REPORT FROM THE ECOLOGY CLUB

Written by: Delilah Hazeltine, 5th Grade

During Ecology Club meetings we do many things! We plant, raise awareness of earth problems, re-use rain water, and so much more. Each Thursday we have meetings. We do a lot to help the earth. You can help us too! The more people that join, the more the earth gets cleaned!



The student body enjoyed the Mother Luisita play very much this year. It was great! After the play, Fr. Miguel celebrated Mass for our community in the hall. It was another wonderful gathering of our school community.



CASINO NIGHT AT SJS

Written by: Olivia Perez, 6th Grade

What does it take to make a night that you will never forget? Well, it takes a lot of energy, teamwork, and help from the SJS parents! A special thank you goes first to Mrs. Correa for starting the Casino Night plans and work. We love Mrs. Correa and she was a big help! Mrs. Correa is in our prayers. Also, thank you to Mrs. Ramirez for all she did to make Casino Night a big hit! How long would a big event like that take to plan? Well, all the planning and work started back in November. This fundraiser is held to raise money to support SJS and the students. It is a dinner and auction event. I asked some of our teachers what they loved most about SJS's Casino Night. Mrs. Becker said, "I love the live auction and all the beautiful projects that the classes made! Such a good job!" When I asked Ms. Acuna what her favorite part of Casino Night was, she said, "My favorite part is dressing up and being with my family and friends!" I learned that dinner and dancing were also part of the event. I hope all the parents and teachers and staff had a good time at Casino Night and that the event was a big success!

