

I hope everyone is making the most of their Summer, it is hard to believe that we are well into the second week of July.

We were very busy in June; first, I had the wonderful opportunity to participate in a Maryknoll mission pilgrimage in El Salvador. It was a wonderful; however, intense experience, one I will never forget.

Upon returning, we jumped straight into Vacation Bible School. VBS consist of two full work days with all the Jr.High, High School, and adult volunteers, the week before VBS actually starts. I mention this because VBS could not be possible without these tireless volunteers. They decorated and set up all the stations for the following week. This year's theme was "High Seas Expedition" Exploring the Mighty love of God. Our stations were- Bible Story Voyage, Sing & Play Splash, Sail Away Cinema, Clipper Ship Crafts & Missions, Ship Rec Games, Goodies From The Galley.

Every day at VBS we had a different Bible Point, Bible Story, and Bible Verse as follows: **Day 1** Bible Point: God's Word is true. Bible Story: God frees Peter from prison.(Acts 12:1-19) Bible Verse: "Yet you are near, O Lord, and all your commandments are true."Psalm 119:151, **Day 2** Bible Point: God's Word is comforting. Bible Story: God comforts Paul in a storm at sea. (Acts 27) Bible Verse: "This is my comfort in my distress, that your promise gives me life."(Psalm 119:50) **Day 3** Bible Point: God's Word is surprising. Bible Story: Paul survives a bite by a poisonous snake. (Acts 28:1-10) Bible verse: "Open my eyes, so that I may behold wondrous things out of your law." (Psalm 119:18) **Day 4** Bible Point: God's Word is life-changing. Bible Story: Peter and John teach about Jesus. (Acts 3:1-4:12) Bible Verse "Give me life in your ways." (Psalm 119:37) **Day 5** Bible Point: God's Word is for everyone. Bible Story: The community of believers share. (Acts 2:42-47) Bible Verse: "Your faithfulness endures to all generations." (Psalm 119:90). Finally we concluded VBS with a special Mass celebration, thank you to Msgr. Droll and everyone who made this possible.

On June 30<sup>th</sup> we had a catechist appreciation evening, catechists and their families came out to Grande Stadium to watch the All Star game, and had a picnic dinner, and concluded the evening with fireworks.

We continue to work on 2010-2011 PSR registrations, calendars, catechist recruitment, and future classroom activities.

Classes will start the Wednesday after Labor Day September 8<sup>th</sup>, and the Sunday after Labor Day September 12<sup>th</sup>. New this coming PSR year is Mass every Wednesday before the start of class.

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