

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

ST. BARNABAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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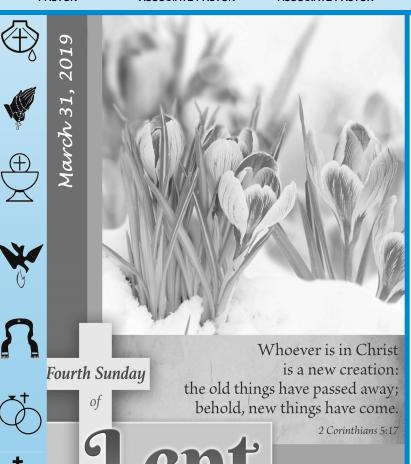
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CONFESSIONS:

1st Friday of the Month 7:15am—7:50am Saturday 3:30pm—4:30pm

INFANT BAPTISMS: 4th Sunday of the Month:

2:30pm (must pre-register) Email: baptism@stbarnabaslb.org

WEDDINGS: (6 Months Prior) Email: church@stbarnabaslb.org

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: (Call Parish Office)

MASS TIMES:

Saturday 8:00am | 5:00pm (Vigil)
Sunday 7:30am | 9:00am | 10:45am

12:30pm | 5:30pm

8:00am

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

(1st Friday of the Month)

Monday—Friday

Adoration: 8:30am—6:15pm | Mass: 6:30pm

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA:

Every Wednesday (Novena after Mass)
Rosary: 6:15pm | Mass: 6:30pm

Good News!

March 31, 2019 Fourth Sunday of Lent (C) Jos 5:9a, 10-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

It is good that we are here—joined in community for Sunday worship, here, in this moment of prayer.

Our lives are so hectic and fast-paced that it's often hard to enjoy just being in the present moment with God. It's not just the pressure of work, but the added responsibilities of home. You know the routine... getting the kids to school; getting to work on time; leaving from work; running a few errands; preparing dinner; going back out to pick up the kids from practice; then back home for dinner, dishes, laundry, homework; and then finally to bed on time so you can get up early and start again.

But just stop! Take the time to enjoy the grace of the Eucharist, to rejoice in one another and savor Christ who reveals his love to you. Give yourself this gift. Each moment has power, poetry, and grace. Each instant is a gift from God, and each moment is an opportunity to encounter Jesus Christ. It's an occasion to return within ourselves and turn back to our Father who is eagerly waiting for us.

It's good to be here—not somewhere else, not in another time when we were happier, healthier, or life was easier and simpler. Right here, right now, right where God has you is where he is revealing his love. It may not be easy, but this is where God is, and it's good to reflect on the graces each moment presents.

-Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

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FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

\$ 11,985.24 Weekly Contribution: Faith-Direct \$ 4,443.41 Bi-Weekly Contribution: 3/1/19-3/15/19

Thanks for your prayerful giving. Your donation supports the operations of our Parish Community.

ALTAR FLOWERS SPONSOR:

No Sponsor this week.

If you would like to sponsor, please email: church@stbarnabaslb.org

Monthly Flower Donors for Tabernacle & Blessed Mother:

Joey & Leda Kennett

Mar. 31-Apr. 13

DAILY DEVOTIONS

Please join us in reciting the Rosary every morning (Mon-Sat) at 7:35am before daily Mass. It's a beautiful and spiritual way to start your day. Every day following weekday Mass, we invite you to join us for the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Prayers usually start approximately 5-10 after Mass minutes (around 8:40am). If you can't join us, you can join the Divine Mercy on EWTN television channel at noon.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- •3/31 Lenten Cooking Class for TEENS 7-9p
- •4/1 NO School (Teacher-in-Service)
- •4/5 First Friday Adoration
- •4/5 Stations— 5:30p/Mass— 6p/Fish Fry 6-8:30p
- •4/9-4/10 Scholastic Book Fair 8a-5p/Hall
- •4/11 Parish Lenten Penance Service 7p

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 1st

8:00 am- +Benjamin Cruz; +Olympia Cruz; +Lupe Torres

Tuesday, April 2nd

8:00 am- +Faci Nascimento; +David Nichols;

+Gontran Nascimento

Wednesday, April 3rd

8:00 am- Students, Parents & Teachers

6:30 pm-+Julia Sigala; +Rodolfo Alejandria

Thursday, April 4th

8:00 am- +Julia Sigala; +Maximillian Orbiso

Friday, April 5th

8:00 am- Manalang-Angeles Families

*6:00 pm- Worship Environment Team; +Irene

Poblete; +Julia Sigala Saturday, April 6th

8:00 am- Maryann & Mario Araujo; +Conchita

Mallari; +Julia Sigala

5:00 pm- +Hilario Damandaman; +Mary Shea; +Ana

Hinostroza

Sunday, April 7th

7:30 am- St. Barnabas Parishioners

9:00 am- Julian Yap

10:45 am- +Marcellinus Huy Vu; +John Miranda

12:30 pm-+Liberato Garcia

5:30 pm-+Julia Sigala

Book your Mass Intentions at the Parish Office. (+ indicates deceased) (* indicates special mass times)

PRAYERS FOR HEALING...

Steve McKim, Ray Paraiso, Ken Augustine, Steven Pearson, Barbara Hendren, Serena Cabuhat, Gavin Octaviano, Barbara Adame, Florencio "Junn" Gabrillo Jr., Carolyn Espinoza, Roseann Vetter, Erlinda Chua, Anna Rachel Posas, Nicandro Bernardo, Myke Bommer, Elizabeth Cannata, James Madura, Rodolfo Alejandria, Ana Raquel Posas, Yvonne Lumampao, Andrea Baylen, Jackie Spiziri, Mara & Sovannary Doung, Blandina Paterson, William & Gloria Dorsey, Mike Repp, Jim & Connie Edwards, Mary Pearson, Keith Wieland, Carol Jane Perreault, Gloria Staudt

Please pray for them and others already included in the **Prayer Intention Book**, which is presented at each Mass. Call the Office to be added to the Bulletin list. You may also write your own prayer intentions in the Prayer Intention Book, that is available before each Saturday and Sunday Mass, located on a stand at the main entrance of the Church.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Israelites ate of the yield of the land of Canaan (Joshua 5:9a, 10-12) or 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34) *or Psalm 23*.

Second Reading — Whoever is in Christ is a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) *or Ephesians 5:8-14*.

Gospel — This man welcomes sinners and eats with them (Luke 15:1-3, 11-32) *or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]*.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;

Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;

Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14;

Jn 8:1-11

Alternate readings (Year A):

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent; Second Scrutiny

Monday: April Fool's Day

Tuesday: St. Francis of Paola

Thursday: St. Isidore of Seville

Friday: St. Vincent Ferrer; First Friday; Abstinence

Saturday: First Saturday

PRAY & REMEMBER WHO HAVE DIED

Edward Domingo Janet Lerch 3/4 Magdalena Sison Salas Mary Francisco 3/14

PARISH NEWS & MORE

PARISH CONTRIBUTION LETTERS

If you would still like a copy of your contribution statements for tax purposes, please e-mail us at **church@stbarnabaslb.org** or call the Parish Office. They were not mailed out automatically this year. We are mailing them out, **BY REQUEST ONLY.** Thanks for your cooperation.

LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us every Friday during Lent at 5:30pm for Stations of the Cross, followed by Mass at 6:00pm.

PARISH LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

Please mark your calendar for:

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2019 AT 7:00PM

We will have many Priests available to hear your Confessions. Please make an effort to come do you Penance, as you continue in your Lenten Journey.

LENTEN PASSION PLAY

Practices for Living Stations Re-Enactment will mostly be on Thursday evenings from 6:30pm-8:30pm. Next practice: April 4th.
No acting experience necessary. We still need: Weeping Women & Children, especially 12 Men for the APOSTLES, Behind-the-Scenes Crew and more! If you participated last year, we would love for you to be a part of it again as well! Contact the Parish Office. Thanks!



"Besides doing more push-ups, Matt, you'll have to stop collapsing and yelling 'It's my cross to bear!' "

PARISH MINISTRIES & MORE

FILIPINO-AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Please join us in our next meeting on Sunday, April 7th at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. New members are welcome and encouraged to attend. There's a potluck dinner, so please bring a dish to share. For info, call Dr. Gene R. Lowther at (562) 427-1386 or Helen Cajayon at (562) 290-2019.

LENTEN TREE

As you continue through your Lenten Journey, we have placed a Lenten Tree at the vestibule's main entrance of the Church, which has suggestions for your Lenten sacrifices. Kindly take one from the tree and pray and reflect on it.



Fourth Sunday of Lent March 31, 2019

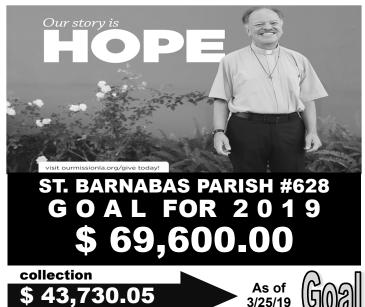
Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.

— 2 Corinthians 5:17

2019 TOGETHER IN MISSION

Archbishop Jose Gomez invites every Catholic to make their annual commitment to Together in Mission. This year's theme of "Our Story is Hope" reminds us that our gifts to Together in Mission are an active demonstration of our faith and love for those in our Archdiocese who need our support. Please make a pledge with the information that was mailed to your home, a pledge card found within the pews, or online at: ourmissionla.org/give

We will continue to have a <u>2nd collection</u> after all our Masses during Lent, to help us reach our Parish Goal!



pledges

FAITH DIRECT E-GIVING ONLINE

FAST. PRAY. GIVE UP YOUR ENVELOPES!

We invite you to help St. Barnabas by giving up your offertory envelopes this Lent! Enrolling with Faith Direct will provide the church with consistent support and simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes. Join us in giving up envelopes this Lenten season!

If you enrolled online, 2018 tax statements were mailed out to our parishioners during the week of January 25th. Please contact Faith Direct if you did not receive your tax statement after the first week in February and they will mail you another copy. Parishioners can also download their tax statements at any time by logging into their online Faith Direct accounts.

Visit www.faithdirect.net, and/or call 1-866-507-8757. Use our church code: CA794

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family! God Bless You!

— Fr. Antony Gaspar & Staff





BY YOUR SIDE LA

As we continue this season of Lent, we want to highlight By Your Side LA, a new ministry to offer healing to women and men affected by abortion. By Your Side is a comprehensive, bilingual ministry that includes a beautiful website, professional call center, trained lay Merciful Companions, and referrals to healing resources including sacraments, retreats, bible studies, mental health support groups, professionals, and more. We want to be by the side of each person journeying from pain following abortion to a new place of forgiveness and peace. We hope you will come to know that you are created out of love and for love. That abortion does not define you. That you can build a life deserving of the amazing person you are. We are here to listen. And we will be by your side. Visit ByYourSideLA.org for more



LENTEN SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES:

13/8-4/12 Stations of the Cross 5:30pm/Mass 6pm 13/8-4/12 Fri Lenten Fish Fry Dinner 6:15pm-8:30pm 14/11 Lenten Penance Service 7pm (many Priests)

I HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

Holy Thursday 4/18

NO 8:00am Mass

7:00pm: Mass "Washing of the Feet"

(Procession to the Hall for Adoration 9pm-11:30pm, followed by night prayers & reposition at 11:50pm)

Good Friday 4/19

NO 8:00am Mass

11:30am: Stations of the Cross (led by Priest) 12 Noon: Services & Veneration of the Cross 5:30pm: Services & Veneration of the Cross 7:00pm: Re-enactment of our Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday 4/20

NO 8:00am or 5:00pm Masses 7:30pm: Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday 4/21

Mass Times: 7:30am; 9:00am; 10:45am; 12:30pm

1*<u>NO</u> 5:30pm Mass

CONGRATULATIONS TO

NEW OR RE-REGISTERED PARISHIONERS:

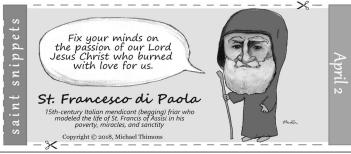
Anna Villacorta, Jan Navalta & Samantha Guan and their families

3/24 BAPTISMS:

Violet Weyh & Frances Ellis Distefano

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Brad & Joyce Kaiser 3/25 (24 years)



RCIA HIGHLIGHT

MY JOURNEY OF FAITH

My journey of faith began one day with extreme anxiety. A day earlier, I had visited urgent care (won't go into detail), and after a long wait, I was told my symptoms were conclusive with possible bladder or kidney cancer and that I would have to wait a week to see a specialist. That turned out to be the longest week of my life.

I went to work the next day, and surprisingly I was functioning. Even though all I could think of was cancer, I tried to keep my mind busy. I left my office for my lunch break and had no desire to eat, so I decided to go home to take a break. While sitting at home, I began to think about my 4-year-old daughter, who is the most important thing in the world to me, and possible scenarios that could evolve. This was one of the worst feelings I had ever experienced, and I was breaking down alone on the couch at home. I really had no background of faith besides knowing in my younger years that my family was Catholic but non-practicing. I attended a few masses but didn't understand the process of "stand up then sit down then stand up again then kneel and shake hands," and that was really the extent of my exposure to Catholicism. While sitting on the couch feeling hopeless with extreme anxiety, I began to pray. I had never prayed before, but this time, out of desperation and hope that something greater than me could rid me of cancer, I did. The funny thing is, this was just the day after I was told it could possibly be cancer but I would have to see a specialist, but in my head, I had already been diagnosed. That possibly could have been me prepping myself mentally for when the day came. While in prayer, I felt that my anxiety and agony was at its peak. I promised in prayer I would change my ways and do things differently if I were given another chance, as my worst agony was the thought of not being with my daughter. After several minutes of praying, I was able to collect myself took a couple of deep breaths and went back to work.

Back at work, I felt a sense of relief and relaxation. I still had the worry, but it was mentally far away behind a corner somewhere. This was the first time in about 24 hours that I had I felt relieved and that everything would be okay. The only thing I could attribute this to was my deep prayer from earlier, but I was a skeptic.

Over the next few days that led up to my visit with the specialist, I found significant relief in praying and attending mass. My visit with the specialist went semi-well, as he ruled out bladder cancer, but through an MRI I had a day before, they discovered a kidney stone, and a pretty big one at that. No big deal, right? There are hundreds of people who deal with this on the daily. I felt a sense of relief, but it was shortlived because he followed it up by saying that, due to my symptoms, he was not comfortable just saying it was a kidney stone and wanted to schedule surgery to look inside my kidney to rule out anything else. Then I had to deal with the anxiety of having surgery. After leaving the office and while sitting in my car, I took a moment to pray and reflect on what had happened, and almost immediately, I felt a sense of comfort and relief, which made me feel like everything was going to be alright.

Over the next four weeks leading up to my surgery, I found extreme comfort in praying and attending mass. I made a

conscious effort to try to follow the mass. With my lack of understanding, it was difficult, but I was happy to be there. On the day of the surgery, I was extremely nervous, as I was hooked to a machine monitoring my vitals, and the anesthesiologist was delaying the process because my vitals were elevated due to my nerves. I shut my eyes and started to pray, and almost immediately, my vitals became normal and controlled.

I woke up from surgery, and unfortunately, it had been unsuccessful. I would have to try again after having a dilating stent placed to drain my kidney into my bladder. This was extremely painful. I was only given over-the-counter meds to cope with it, and that was how I had to live for the next four weeks until my next surgery. Over those four weeks, I started the RCIA program, which just enriched everything I was doing and put me on the path of learning what I was seeking. I continued my newly found prayer life, which I found so much comfort in and that helped me deal with the pain.

The day of the second surgery was very similar to that of the first, except I was somewhat happy to be there because I wanted this stent out and was hoping it had served its purpose and that it would be possible to get into my kidney to finally figure out what was going on. I was about to be rolled into the operating room when my mind started wandering and the "what if's started popping up, and sure enough, my vitals became elevated and I was even more nervous than the first time. The anesthesiologist delayed the process for over an hour until I finally shut my eyes and collected myself in prayer, and then I was rolled into surgery.

When I woke up from surgery, I was told my kidney stone had been removed and tissue had been taken from my kidney for a biopsy, and then I was sent home. I was no longer in any pain because the stent had been removed, and I had to wait for the results of the biopsy. Through prayer and the tools that the RCIA program had given me, I knew everything would be okay, or at least I felt that way. A few days later, I received a call about the results of the biopsy, and I was told that it was negative for any type of cancer and that my symptoms were most likely due to irritation of the kidney tissue due to my kidney stone. I was happy to hear the good news and thankful to our Father for being with me in my times of need despite me having never been with Him prior to that.

As I write this, I am still in the last few weeks of the RCIA program and am extremely grateful to Father Antony, our Pastor, and Phil, the RCIA coordinator, who has not only given me the tools to learn about our faith but also dedicated his time to making sure we have a deeper relationship with Jesus in our mind, heart, and spirit. Thank you, Phil.

One day in prayer, while looking back at the events of 2018 and reflecting on what a terrible year it had been with the series of events that had happened to me, I came to realize that it was actually the best year I had ever experienced. Through these events, I was to able to discover the extreme love Jesus has for me despite my having grown farther away from Him. This has been a true blessing.

-Lisandro (RCIA student)

KNIGHTS KORNER

LENTEN FISH FRY

The Knights are honored to host their annual Fish Fry in the Parish Hall. Dinner will be served from 6:15-8:30pm, with entrees of fried or baked fish or shrimp with bread, fries, rice, coleslaw, vegetables and pancit as sides included in the price. Recorded music will be provided by (fellow Brother) Rav Enterprises. 50/50 drawings or door prizes will be offered every 30 minutes. The Knights guarantee a fun-filled gathering for the whole family. More info, call Jun Tadique at 562-331 6156.



You are all invited to celebrate the

Feast of San Pedro Calungsod



9 Day Novena

	Date	Day	Time	Place
1st	4/5	Friday	6:45 pm	Church
2nd	4/6	Saturday	6:00 pm	Church
3rd	4/7	Sunday	4:30 pm	Church
4 th	4/8	Monday	6:00 pm	Church
5 th	4/9	Tuesday	6:00 pm	Church
6 th	4/10	Wednesday	5:30 pm	Church
7 th	4/11	Thursday	5:30 pm	Church
8 th	4/12	Friday	6:45 pm	Church
9 th	4/13	Saturday	4:00 pm	Church

Feast Day Mass

Saturday, April 13, 2019 at 5:00 PM Mass St. Barnabas Catholic Church

3955 Orange Ave. Long Beach, CA 90807

Reception/fellowship to follow after the mass in the Parish Hall

more info and/or if you would like to donate food or make a monetary contribution for the reception, please contact:

Dn. Carlito de los Reyes at (562) 786-7746, Gigi Laluan at (562) 225-3061, yon at (562) 290-2019, Dom Salas at (562) 881-5540, Armando Pablo at (562) 631-6361

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Friday, April 5th, 2019—8:30 AM to 5:15 PM

Would you like to enrich your heart and soul with an hour devoted to our Blessed Lord in Eucharistic Adoration? It is a rich and refreshing experience of deep prayer and spiritual guidance.

Come join us for meditative prayer **II** before Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament on the First Friday of the month, April 5, starting after the 8:00am Mass until 5:15pm, followed by Stations of the Cross at 5:30pm and then a Mass at 6:00pm.



We invite everyone to spend some time before the Blessed Sacrament and pray for an increase in vocations and your own personal intentions.



Saint Peregrine is the Patron Saint of Cancer patients and we will be praying through the intercession of St. Peregrine for those who have Cancer or who are Cancer survivors. Call the Parish Office to give Names to pray for.

All are welcome to join us for this too.

This Novena is every First Friday of the month at 4:15PM, during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.



YOUTH MINISTRY: ACTS 29

ATTENTION YOUTH! YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS FUN NIGHT! BRING A FRIEND!

We're having a Lenten Cooking Class for <u>TEENS!</u> Sunday, March 31st at 7:00pm-9:00pm At the Parish Hall

Please come and bring a friend! The more, the merrier! Contact call/text Rose at: 213-949-9507 or email her at: youthministry@stbarnabaslb.org

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA

On Saturday, April 6th, and on every first Saturday of the month, there will be a novena in honor of Our Lady of Fatima after the 8:00am mass in the Church.



All are welcome to join us in this special Marian Devotion.

Dear Padre

Going to confession has lost its meaning for me. I wish I could get more out of this sacrament.

The Catholic Church has always treasured the sacrament of reconciliation. But as adults we need to center on the spiritual depth of this sacrament and gain a new appreciation of it.

Reconciliation is a healing sacrament, meant to mend the rift created between ourselves and God and ourselves and others by our sins. God does the healing; we seek to open ourselves to God's power by asking forgiveness from God and from others. It can be a powerful experience to receive the words of forgiveness, spoken by the priest, as the very words of Jesus healing us and sending us forth to live a more loving life.

This sacrament helps us confront weakness and malice in our life. We all do some shameful things. Sometimes we think, "If others only knew what I think or what I have done, they would not accept me!" When we come to confession with sorrow for our sins and a desire to amend our lives, we are assured of God's complete pardon and acceptance no matter what the sin. If God accepts and loves us, surely we can accept and love ourselves.

Reconciliation also is a beacon to help keep our life on a straight course. We all have faults centering on gossip, selfishness, impatience, and anger. At penance time we take stock of our direction in life and, with God's help, recommit to a more loving path. I hope you can fully unite yourself with the forgiving Jesus and the forgiving Church and receive the grace of the sacrament this Lent.

Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR

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ST. BARNABAS SCHOOL NEWS

The Spring Event Committee would like to thank each and every sponsor, supporter, parent volunteer, SBS staff member, parishioner, and the greater SBS community for the AMAZING show of support at last weekend's Spring Event! We are still on Cloud Nine after such a great weekend of events, and we hope you enjoyed yourselves as well!

Of course, this event would not have been such a success without the super talented cast of SBS students and their wonderful (and moving) production of Beauty and the Beast, JR! Great job, students! We'd also like to recognize and Spring Event Raffle congratulate our 2019 Winners!!!

Cash Raffle:

\$2,000 - John Krut

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\$250 - Ignacio Gonzalez



Silent Auction Raffle Winners:

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ICE CREAM TRUCK PARTY:

1st Grade (for themed silent auction basket)

ONE NIGHT OF FREE HOMEWORK:

6th Grade (for themed silent auction basket)

Thanks again to all the Parents and Families who supported Spring Event 2019 and STREAM with your generous donations! We appreciate you all!

*Side note: please check the school office if you think you might have lost or misplaced something at the Spring Event.



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