

# St Bartholomew Preschool Program

We are All God's children

## February 2012 News



### Happy Valentine's!

I am very thankful for all the support that you have kindly give to our program. This school year has been, so far, a year of many changes and challenges. I appreciate your patience, understanding and generosity. Specially, I thank you for trusting our program as the source of learning, growth and fun for your children.

Recently, Fr. John asked me to be the Assistant Coordinator for our CCE program. I love working with young children, it is what I have done most of my professional life.

However, considering the need that Fr. John presented to me, I have accepted the position. I am here to serve my parish community. This position implies even more challenges, since our CCE program has more than 1500 children. I am sadden that I have to leave you and the children, but at the same time, I am excited about what the future may bring. God knows what is best for us, and He has proven to me that He always takes care of His people. I will complete this school year, and assume the new position as soon as preschool is over in May. You will still be able to find me in the CCE building. I will be very happy to have you and your children visit my new office.

It will be my pleasure to be of service to you, any time you need me. At this moment the preschool director position for the 2012-2013 school year is open. We will inform you as soon as a decision is made.

Thank you again for your friendship and love.

Ms. Luchy Baltazar  
The Preschool Director



### Happy Birthday to:

- ☺ Anastasia I.....02/01
- ☺ Bruno O.....02/04
- ☺ Aidan N.....02/08
- ☺ Morena G.....02/11
- ☺ Angelina M.....02/12
- ☺ Aubrie C.....02/13
- ☺ Evelyn D.....02/19

### In Our Parish

**Healing Mass**

**February 11th**

**International Day  
of the Sick**

**Ash Wednesday**

**February 22nd**

**Day of Obligation**

**Parish Mission**

**February 27th**

### Upcoming Activities!

#### Community Helpers

**February 6th to 12th**

We will have some of our community helpers visiting our school:

We will have a Dentist, a Librarian, a Priest, and more!

#### Valentine's Day

**February the 14th**

Children may exchange cards and candies with friends.

### Early Release

**February 16th**

### No School

**February 17th  
and 20th**

**Ms. Maria Acosta's Marvelous Monkeys  
Ms. Sheila's Wise Owls**

*Dear Parents,*

This month we will learn the meaning of friendship. The theme for this month is "I Build! I Create! We will learn about construction terminology, machines, and tools. The students will learn all about simple machines and begin to use tools for measurement. But most importantly, they will use their imagination as they use the tools to build and create. Children will also continue counting, sorting, patterning, and graphing. This month we will also focus on the letters Mm, Nn, Oo, and Pp. The colors of the month are Pink and Purple and the Shape is the Heart .

**Ms. Sharon's "cooking" class**

Every Friday our children experiment with different ingredients in Ms. Sharon's "cooking" class. They learn about measuring, differences in texture and consistency, and they taste it too! The activities are related to the theme of the month and we make sure we use and encourage the use of healthy items. If your child attends school on Fridays, you should have been receiving the recipe of what they "cook" every week. That way, you can also enjoy at home the delicious adventure.



**Ms. Norma's Little Lambs**

We finished our month of January, we had a lot of fun with our new classmate Charli, she enjoyed the class the first week of the month, and she is adjusting very well. We had a few opportunities to go to the playground, the weather is no helping to enjoy it. Instead they had a lot activities on the classroom. The next month we will be talking about hearts, loving one and another and the color of the month "pink".

We are looking forward to learn more and have much fun.

Thanks again and God Bless you.  
Ms. Norma



**Ms. Sharon and Ms. Rosie  
Friendly Frogs & Busy Bees**

During February, the month of Love and Friendship, we will discuss the importance of getting along with our friends.

We will learn about:  
the letters Dd, Vv, Hh, and Rr;  
the Heart shape;  
And the colors Pink and Red.

Our extracurricular classes are Spanish classes on Mondays, Dance and movement on Tuesdays, Music on Wednesdays, and Chapel or church visit and Bible story on Thursdays. These classes are only for children scheduled to attend school on each given day. However, remember that all other school special activities are open to all children. You may bring your child to participate in the special activities planned in our pre-school. Remember, on those occasions you must stay with your child at all times. Child may not be left to the care of the teacher or aid. You are also welcome to volunteer to help in these activities.

We are here to serve you!

**Ms. Sherrie's & Ms. Nataly  
Darling Ducks & Bouncy Bears**

February is upon us and we are learning a lot this month. We will celebrate Valentine's day on February 14 and will have a card exchange. We will be learning the following concepts this month:

Letters: J, K, L, M

Numbers: 4,5,6,7

Colors: yellow, red, white, and brown

Animals: Jellyfish, Kangaroo, Lion, Monkey

Bible Stories: The Baptism of Jesus, Jesus chooses the 12 Apostles, The Wedding Feast of Cana, and A Great Catch of Fish

Saints: St. Brigid, St. Apollonia, St. Scholastica, and St. Bernadette.