

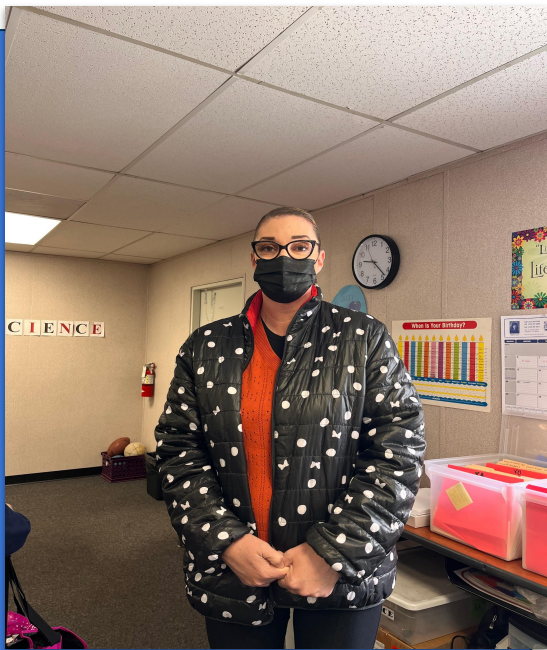


# ELEMENTARY VALIANT NEWS

## Importance of Holy Week

Palm Sunday marks the start of Holy Week. Throughout Holy Week, students have been learning the events leading up to Jesus' sacrifice for our sins. Palm Sunday is when Jesus arrived in Jerusalem on a donkey being greeted by people with palms. Spy Wednesday is when Judas betrayed Jesus by contacting those who wanted to crucify him. Holy Thursday is the day the Last Supper happened. Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, shared his last meal, and gave them the body and blood of Jesus Christ. On Thursday, the school participated in many activities to remember this holy day: stations of the cross in church, guest teacher lessons, and structured buddy activities. It's for students to be reflective on an important day.

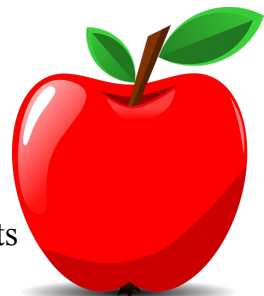
Good Friday is when Jesus died on the cross to save the world. On Holy Saturday, we await Jesus resurrection. Finally, on Easter Sunday, we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ.



## Instructional Aide: Mrs. Alvarez

Let's all give a big warm welcome to one of our new support staff, Mrs. Alvarez! As an instructional aide for kindergarten, she helps with supervision and subs when needed. She's no stranger to Catholic schools and is ready to step into the position. Mrs. Alvarez is excited to help and inform students anywhere she can. She is very honored to work at our school. She enjoys working here with our friendly and welcoming community. Good job Valiants on making one of our new staff members feel welcome to our school! Let's all continue to work hard and welcome any new staff or faculty members.

A special shout out to ALL our Instructional aides for supporting students and teachers. *We appreciate you!*





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## Spotlight Fabulous Fourth Grade



Who are those focused students learning from Mr. Contreras and Ms. Matthews? Why it's our amazing 4th graders! They have been learning so much and working very hard. "I like math because I get to learn new things about fractions and decimals," shared Julian. "I like science because we get to learn about vibration and how it is used in a type of machine," said Leilani.

Right now, students have moved onto learning geometry in Math. They are working on a project called Geometric Ideas in the Real World. Students find and identify key terms in the real world. In Religion, they have been doing many things for Holy Week and have been learning the Sacraments of Commitment: Holy Orders and Matrimony. In Social Studies, they're learning about how California became a state. They've also been continuing their Black History Month presentations. Way to go 4th graders!

## What a Successful Open House!

Last week we held our annual Open House for elementary and middle school! Open House is an event to show those who are returning and new all the activities we have, the wonderful teachers, and some of our own students' experiences in St. Genevieve. We had amazing performances from the Spirit Squad, the cast of Mamma Mia, the 5th grade Mandarin class, our St. Genevieve artists and many more. After the presentation in the church, families got a chance to see upcoming grade-level classrooms and get a glimpse of what the next grade will look like. Great job everyone on the amazing Open House this year!

If you have a family member, sports team mate, or friends looking for a new school, have them check out St. Genevieve Elementary! Reach out to Mrs. Hernandez at 818.892.3802.

