



## Extra-Curricular and Summer Programs

St. Lucy School offers the broadest range of extra-curricular activities of any of the Catholic elementary schools in the diocese. We are proud of our diverse range of offerings that truly offer something for everyone!

**After-School Sports Program:** The Athletic Department is an integral part of St. Lucy School. Its primary goal is to enhance the complete education of the student-athlete. St. Lucy School competes with several other schools in the West Valley Youth League. All students in the fifth through eighth grades are eligible to participate in the following sports:

- \* Fall: Football (Boys), Volleyball (Girls)
- \* Winter: Basketball (Boys and Girls)
- \* Spring: Track (Boys and Girls), Volleyball (Boys), Softball (Girls)

**Book Club:** Students who love to read will find like-minded students in the Book Club moderated by our librarian. High-quality literary selections for reading and discussion are made by the students and vary by genre to include works of fantasy, science fiction, mystery, etc.

**Choir:** Offered for students in grades 2-8, the student choir sings for liturgies and performs at the annual Diocesan Choral Festival and for Grandparents Day, the Christmas Program and the Spring Program.

**Cooking Club:** Developed by parents and teachers, the Cooking Club is a fun way to engage students in the pleasures of preparing a family meal. Their monthly cooking adventures take place after school in the St. Lucy Parish Kitchen!

**Drama Club:** The Drama Club is open to all junior high students, who present performances to the student body throughout the year and evening performances for parents, family and friends.

**Family Math and Science Nights:** New in the 2009-2010 school year, these nights bring families together for fun and competitive math and science challenges. They are appropriate for all ages!

**“Helping Hearts” Service Club:** Students in all grades can meet in the Art Room before school to make cards for the elderly and homebound. After-school meetings are twice monthly and include service projects such as assembling sack lunches for the homeless and collecting or sorting food donations.

**Lego-Robotics Club:** Students in grades 4-8 with a passion for technology and problem-solving can work on robotics projects in supervised lab time after school.

**Literary Magazine:** New in 2007-2008, the literary magazine “The Bolt” is edited and produced by students, and accepts submissions of original poetry and prose by students in all grade levels.

**Monday Math:** Students in all grades can attend drop-in math support sessions in the Art Room after school every Monday. They can work on homework, prepare for tests, practice basic math facts with the support of math teachers and student helpers from local high schools. Fun math games and practice materials are provided.

**Scouting:** There are several very active Cub Scout, Daisy, Brownie, and Girls Scout troops that meet on campus outside of school hours, and are organized by current and former parents.

**Student Council:** With guidance from administration and staff, the Student Council encourages community, creativity and participation in a myriad of ways throughout the student body of St. Lucy School.

**Student Newspaper:** Published quarterly, the “Lightning Express” newspaper includes articles, interviews, games, cartoons, and opinion pieces.

**S.W.A.T. Club:** “Students Working to Advance Technology” is a club for students who enjoy working with teachers on web content, researching educational sites, upgrading software, and creating and publishing school brochures for various activities.

**World Affairs Challenge:** As participants within this Bay Area organization, students research aspects of a designated global issue and present their team’s findings at an annual spring event in San Francisco, along with representatives from many other middle and high schools.

**Yearbook:** The St. Lucy School yearbook is published each year by a staff of interested and dedicated students. It is one of the projects of students in the SWAT Club (described above).

**\*\*Parent Book Club:** Due to the popularity of our parent book club piloted in 2009, we have formalized this into an “extra-curricular” program for parents! Look for one open discussion format per trimester. Some of the titles discussed include, “Odd Girl Out: The Hidden Culture of Aggression in Girls” by Rachel Simmons, “A Fine Young Man” by Michael Gurian, and “The Blessing of a Skinned Knee: Using Jewish Teaching to Raise Self-Reliant Children” by Wendy Mogel.

## Summer Programs

Students can enjoy participating in summer programs that offer an academic component and/or an outdoor activity focus. Joining both provides for a full day of learning and fun.

**Academic Program:** St. Lucy Summer School is a half-day program that operates for four weeks during the summer and offers a comprehensive program of math, reading and writing skills.

**Summer Sports Camp:** St. Lucy Summer Sports Camp follows our Academic Program with an afternoon filled with sports activities that include: skill-building for baseball, basketball and volleyball; relay competitions and Olympic-type races. Specific dates, times and fees for the summer of 2010 will be available in April.