Aloha Saint Louis School Parents and Guardians,

Christmas is here as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ and the many blessings he continues to bestow upon us. For numerous reasons, this is my favorite time of year. Beyond the relatively cool and breezy weather in Hawaii and the many holiday celebrations with family and friends, it is the overabundant examples of giving that make me feel the power of the Holy Spirit.

I want to take this opportunity to thank each of you for entrusting us here at Saint Louis School to provide your sons and grandsons a quality Marianist education. On behalf of everyone here, we wish you the very best this holiday season and we look forward to our young Saint Louis gentlemen returning on Tuesday, January 5, 2016.

Memor et Fidelis,

Dr. Glenn Medeiros
Saint Louis School
Head of School

It was such an honor to be invited by the leaders of our Saint Louis School JROTC to the JROTC Ball at the Hawaii Convention Center. It was amazing to see so many cadets there from all over Oahu. From singing, dancing, praying, and honoring those who are serving and have served our country in the U.S. Military, it was a night I will never forget.
At Saint Stephens, Lauren Wong ’58, and Crusaders ’18, and ’16 donated their time to serve our community at this year’s Starlight Starbright event.

At our last faculty meeting before the Christmas break, Saint Louis School students performed a very engaging skit they created to teach us about the importance of treating others with respect.
Along with members of our sister school, Sacred Hearts Academy, Saint Louis gentlemen learned about aeronautics from NASA engineer Mr. Williams, the son-in-law of one of our own Saint Louis School graduates, Dr. Ho.

Here is a picture of just a few of us who attended the NASA aeronautics presentation alongside Dr. Ho.
The fathers of two Crusader students passed away this school year.

Our hearts are with them and their families as we continue to pray for them to be filled with God’s strength and love.
In honor of the founder of Hui Na Opio Kumu Lake, Kumu Keali‘i and his wife, Kumu Leilani, put on a wonderful concert in Mamiya Theater and our students did not disappoint anyone. They danced exceptionally well!
Last night our faculty and staff celebrated together at our Christmas party held at the Saint Louis Alumni Association Clubhouse. We all had a great time as seen by our Chair of the Saint Louis School Board of Trustees dancing the Electric Slide alongside Director of Admissions, Russell Valente. After seeing Russell dance, I now know why he was such a great running back for our Saint Louis School football team. He surely can move!

I thought I’d share this picture from the home of an alumnus of Saint Louis School.
This is his Crusader Christmas tree!
Like many members of our faculty and staff, I’m often at school late at night and early in the morning working to ensure that we are creating the proper environment needed to build and mold Saint Louis Men here at Saint Louis School. When I drive up the slopes of Kalaepohaku and see the beautiful lights adorning the Clarence T.C. Ching Marianist Center of Hawaii, it reminds me of the many Marianists who in 1926 had a dream of building a new campus for Saint Louis School upon a rocky hill overlooking Diamond Head and beautiful Waikiki. Both they and Saint Louis College alumni worked together in harsh conditions to overcome all the obstacles in their way to create a home today for Saint Louis School and now Chaminade University, brothers in the education of Marianist faith and tradition here on the slopes of Kalaepohaku. These thoughts remind me of my favorite quote from Marianist founder Blessed Chaminade.

“I am like a brook that makes no effort to overcome obstacles in its way. All the obstacles can do is hold me up for a while, as a brook is held up; but during that time it grows broader and deeper and after a while it overflows the obstruction and flows along again. That is how I am going to work.”  
Blessed William Joseph Chaminade.

Blessed Chaminade has left us many examples in his words and actions that nothing is impossible with faith, determination, and hard work and we strive to honor him by practicing those values today. Have a splendid Christmas and stay CrusaderStrong!

Dr. Glenn Medeiros