



Dear Parents and Guardians,

April 12, 2019

This was another busy week at St. Anthony. Spring and graduation pictures made for a fun Tuesday. Wednesday afternoon we prayed the Stations of the Cross and on Thursday we provided an opportunity for students to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and held the Honor Roll Reception later in the afternoon. This was all in addition to all of the regular classes and Spring Concert preparation. As always, you can follow us on Facebook to stay up to date.

Holy Week

This Sunday is **Palm Sunday**, the first day of Holy Week. On this day we remember Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. People laid down their cloaks and waved palm branches to greet their Messiah, their Prince of Peace. Later in the week we celebrate **Holy Thursday**, the commemoration of the Last Supper. Here we were given the Eucharist and once again taught the significance of service during the washing of the feet. **Good Friday** is the day we remember the passion and death of our Lord. On **Holy Saturday** evening we celebrate the **Easter Vigil**. This is also the evening when catechumens are baptized and welcomed into the Catholic Church. **Easter** is the greatest feast of the year. Jesus suffered, died, and was resurrected! His resurrection is the cornerstone of our faith. Let us remind each other that we are "Easter People!"

Palm Sunday Services are Saturday at 5:00 PM and on Sunday at 7:00 AM, 10:00 AM, Noon, and 6:30 PM. Please join us!

Butterfly Gala... Tomorrow, Saturday, April 13 is our "Butterfly Gala!" This is a wonderful opportunity for our young ladies, grades PreK-grade 8, and their young female friends and family members to enjoy an evening with a special male in their lives (fathers, uncles, grandfathers, godfathers, etc). And YES, you can pay online or at the door. More information can be found in today's Friday Folder. We hope you will join us!

Scantron Testing... **8th grade students** will be taking their final Scantron tests on Monday, April 15 (Reading) and Tuesday, April 16 (Math). This Scantron test will show the trends of each student's achievement since their baseline Scantron in September and their mid-year Scantron in January. The Scantron test results will be included with the final report card in June. All testing is

scheduled in the morning and we ask you to please ensure that your child is on time, well rested, and eats a healthy breakfast each day to prepare for this final testing session. Grades 1-7 will test in May.



Archdiocesan Band Festival... Join us this Sunday at St. John's College High School for the annual festival. Students should meet in St. John's cafeteria at 11:50 AM and wear a formal white top, solid black bottoms (pants or skirts), and solid black dress shoes. **Please no sneakers or jeans.** Our band will perform at 12:50 PM, and after their performance they are free to go! We hope you will join us for a brilliant performance!

Canned Food Drive... Our Lenten Canned Food Drive is April 10-17. We ask that every child donate ten food items. Please be generous according to your means. All proceeds benefit our parish's St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry.

Go Noodle Dance Party... Student Council is hosting its first "Go Noodle Dance Party" on Friday, May 3. The hours are 4:30-7:30 PM and the cost is \$8.00 per child. Space is filling up quickly. Return your form and payment by April 18th!

Looking Ahead... "Taco in a Bag" is back by popular demand. Order forms can be found in the Friday Folder. Money is due on the Monday we return from Easter break. Also, our Spanish Spelling Bee, "Concurso de Deletreo," is on Tuesday, May 7. (This is also Family School Spirit Night at our local Chipotle.) Keep studying and get these important dates on your calendar!

Face-Painting Training... Step up and prepare yourself to serve at our Children's Fair as a face painter. Enjoy our last 90 minute free hands-on practice session tomorrow, Saturday April 13th at 1:00 PM in the music room. There will be a good balance of demos and hands on practice using practice paper sheets, your arm and maybe the arm of a fellow student. All are welcome!

Again, congratulations to all of our Honor Roll students. I am very proud of them and all of our students who put forth their best efforts each and every day.

I hope to see many of you at Sunday's band festival.
Enjoy your weekend.

Sincerely,

Michael Thomasian
Principal

Proudly celebrating our 95th year!