

The St. Joan of Arc Wednesday News

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March 21, 2018

Dear Families,

This week Friday, March 23 we will have school liturgy at 8 a.m. Please join us if you are able. Friday is also the end of 3rd quarter. As such, we will have an early release day with 11:35 a.m. dismissal. After care will be available that afternoon for those that have signed up.

This Sunday, join us for Palm Sunday Mass. At St. Joan of Arc Church, the choir will bring Christ's Passion to life through the *Song of Mark*. The Mass schedule at both churches will remain the same. *Song of Mark* will be presented at St. Joan of Arc at 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

The students will be off of school for the Holy Days beginning Thursday, March 29. We will return to a full week of school on Monday, April 9. Mark your calendars for special events that week, such as Cozy Corner at 10 a.m. and PRO Awards at 2:15 p.m. on Wednesday, April 11. Then it's "off to see the wizard" with a play dress rehearsal Thursday at 9 a.m. and performances Friday at 7 and Saturday at 2. Check out this sneak peek at a couple of our little flying monkeys trying on their costumes.



We are still in need of some items for the play. If you have any artificial flowers or greenery that you do not need, please donate them to our play. Donations can be brought to the school office.

While we are out for Easter Vacation, 2nd graders will participate in a First Communion Retreat on April 7 from 8:30-11:30 at St. Catherine's. Additionally, April 8 is your last opportunity to attend Family Program at St. Catherine's for the year. If you would like to attend the Family Program, please let the office know by next Wednesday.

Before you leave for the break, please remember to turn in any pizza lunch forms for April. I am also excited to share that we will be trying a Subway lunch on Fridays beginning April 20. Watch for that order form next week.

Lenten Blessings! Mrs. Holly Cerveny, Principal

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper at SJOA at 7p.m.

Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil at SJOA at 8 p.m.

Good Friday

The Lord's Passion at SCA at 1 p.m.

The Lord's Passion at SJOA at 7 p.m.



Easter Sunday

Easter Mass at SJOA at 7:30 a.m.

Easter Mass at SCA at 9 a.m.

Easter Mass at SJOA at 10:30 a.m.

Strategic Plan News

As we are adding to our programming and working to grow our school in both breadth and depth, I want to give you an update with regard to our strategic plan objectives and enrollment growth.

Since Catholic Schools Week:

Number of families that have toured: 9

Shadow dates: 10 plus two scheduled next week

New students and grade levels: 10 (5 in 3K, 1 in 4K, 1 in 1st grade, 2 in 2nd grade, 1 in 6th grade)

*we also have three more verbal commitments!

Beginning April 16 our students in grades 3-8 will be in a separate program for after care. Youth Afterschool Program (YAP) will be held Monday through Thursday in room 107 (the room next to the current after care room) from 3-5 p.m. On Fridays we will offer Math Masters for students in grades 3-8 from 3-4 p.m. Watch for detailed information on the programs in next Wednesday's newsletter.



Important Dates Coming Up

Thursday, Mar 22—Spirit Wear

Friday, Mar. 23—All School Mass at 8:00 a.m.

Early Release, end of Quarter

Saturday, Mar. 24—Mass at SCA 5 p.m.

Sunday, Mar. 25—Mass at SJOA 7:30 a.m.

Mass at SCA at 9 a.m.

Mass at SJOA at 10:30 a.m.

Monday, Mar. 26—Prayer in entry space

Tuesday, Mar. 27—

Wednesday, Mar. 28—Middle School Seder Meal

Student Ambassador Corner

This week our Knights Club (1st and 2nd grade) met to add to our skills in leadership and hospitality. Students that have led tours for visitors were able to share their experiences and offer tips that might help others when they have the opportunity to be tour guides.

Next week we will not have a meeting of the Students Ambassadors.



Are YOU smarter than a Catholic school student?

Last week: Pontius Pilate imposes the death sentence on Jesus.

This week's question: Why are palm branches waved on Palm Sunday?

Congratulations to our FROG Award winner: Tyler Kwiatkowski!