



SMA Daily Bulletin March 14, 2018 Day 4

What's the **Good News**...Welcome to Week 4 of Lent! It is hard to believe we are only 2 weeks away from HOLY WEEK. So how are you doing with **WAKING UP** this Lent? Have you been able to let your squirrel out of the box, use the gifts that God has given to you and be more **AWAKE** this Lent? This weekend we heard John 3:16, "for God so loved the world that he gave us His only Son so that everyone who believed would have eternal life". Wow! That is love. Are we willing to give that generously? Probably not, because we aren't God. However, this Lenten journey makes it possible for us to grow closer to God by cleaning up our minds, hearts and actions. God loves us so much that He gave us the best – can we give God our best?

CHARISM CORNER...This week and next week we highlight 2 days that recognize the importance of water. March 15th is National Bottle Free Water day and March 22nd is World Water Day. As part of the SNJM family, these days are important to us, too. As we believe that women and children are NOT for sale; we believe that water is also NOT FOR SALE. "Water is the source of all life, and a primary symbol in religious traditions ... Without water everything dies... {and yet} today, water is threatened almost everywhere on earth ... The world's fresh water resources are finite, and are now becoming market commodities, no longer public goods.... Such a basic human right as access to water cannot be left to the whims of market forces to deliver". (Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2003. Make a choice this week - choose No Bottled Water!

Today's Living Lenten Challenge....WAKE UP and find an opportunity to let another person know they matter.

Sacrament of the Sick...Have you ever heard of it? Celebrated it? It is one of the Sacraments of the Church and it is referred to as a Sacrament of healing, similar to Reconciliation. It is **NOT** just for older people or those who are dying. It is available to all who are sick in body, mind or spirit. It is a powerful communal prayer. Come witness and or receive this Sacrament on FRIDAY MARCH 16th at the end of our Mass, at 1:25. All are welcome.

Wednesday morning prayer! Please join us in the Holy Names Chapel at 8am with 11-3 leading our ministries. All are welcome.

FROM THE SCHOOL:

CAMPUS MINISTRY:

Lenten Come and Go Reconciliation service: Friday, March 16th from 12:30 – 1:00

This Lent please join us for Mass on Fridays at 1:05 in the Chapel. No frills, no fuss, no muss! All are welcome.

Harvest Thursday! This week 5 participants from Ms. Marasco's 7-3 Religion class will be serving in our community.

Club L.E.M.O.N: Calling all grade 7 and 8 students:

Join us at our next Club LEMON meeting next Tuesday, March 20th at 12:35 in the multipurpose room. Bring a friend and your lunch!







CON SPIRITU CHOIR:

There is a Con Spiritu choir rehearsal this Wednesday at lunchtime in the music room. All singers and musicians are welcome!

CAREERS:

ATTN: Grade 12 students interested in this year's panel interviews on April 9th. Ms. Fennell will be available for <u>resume and portfolio guidance</u> in lab 210 at lunch March 13th Visit Ms. Fennell in room 309 or visit her website <u>https://lfennell2.wixsite.com/mysite</u> for scholarships and up to date learning opportunities.

Grade 12 students should join the yammer group: SMA Grade 12 University Guidance!"

CHECK YOUR SMA EMAIL ON FRIDAYS:

Every Friday SMA sends an email to your parents and to faculty/staff that is called a 'Communique'. Our Communique details information, successes, events and activities around the school. As of this Friday, we are including all students in this eblast. The email will go to your SMA student email account. Please read this email, it's will inform you and/or remind you of what is going on and coming up around the school.

CORNERSTORE:

Friday - TCBY will be available on Friday.

"MUSIC FOR MY PEERS" CAMPAIGN FOR WINNIPEG'S ROSSBROOK HOUSE.

Are you interested in supporting the development of a music program at Rossbrook House? If you, or someone you know, would like to donate a gently used instrument to this amazing campaign program, please drop off your instrument at the reception entrance of St Mary's Academy. We will be bringing donated instruments to Long & McQuade for cleaning before it reaches the Rossbrook House Music Program. In addition, a local company, Henderson and Associates, will donate \$50 to the program. Thank you for your spirit of giving to this campaign to help make music come alive for others.

SERVICE LEARNING:

Autism Learning Centre is looking for volunteers for their Spring Break Camp. See Mrs. Swayzie's service learning bulletin board for more information and to sign up.

Villa Cabrini (433 Osborne) is inviting students to share their gifts and time The opportunities are evenings for dinner service at 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm Monday to Friday (you can choose) .The positions are for servers, meal prep & clean up, or dinner music (Piano or any other musical instrument). Instructions and supervision are provided. *MUST COMPLETE VOLUNTEER FORM* located on the Service Learning board. Interested? Contact vcabrini@mymts.net

FROM THE WORLD OF SPORTS:

GRADE 7 BADMINTON PLAYERS:

All Grade 7 students interested in playing on the Grade 7 Badminton Team please come to a VERY important meeting on Wednesday, March 14 at 12:35 for more information.



