



A Note from the Interim Principal

Spring is in the air and everyone is feeling it! Enjoy the spring weather and watch while nature unfolds a new beginning. We must remember though, that, we still have about seven weeks of school. Our work is not yet done for 2018-2019.

Please join me in congratulating our second-grade students and our CCD students who will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance) this Saturday at the Cathedral. Second graders we are all proud of you and in May you will make your First Communion (Eucharist). Many thanks to Mrs. Hayley Langford, Mrs. Barbara Ziz, the CCD teachers and Mr. Terry Maddox. Special thanks to your parents for their guidance and support. **God Bless each of You!**

The first two weeks of April will prepare us for the solemn commemoration of the last days and death of Our Lord. These events of human history, lead us to our belief and tradition of the Paschal Mystery, the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Jesus, the Sacrificial Lamb of God is now forever Christ our Light. Easter Sunday is the feast of feasts, the unalloyed joy and gladness of all Christians. It is indeed "the day the Lord has made, let us be glad and rejoice in it." (Ps 118:24) We are an "Easter People" all year long because we believe in the Risen Christ. The liturgical color is white, the color of light, a symbol of joy, purity, and innocence (absolute or restored.)

An important reminder to parents of students in grades 2-6:

We will be administering IOWA standardized tests during the week of Monday, April 8 – Friday, April 12. The tests will be given in the mornings only from 8:15 – 11:00 A.M. Please do not schedule any appointments during this week. Research shows that it is students test better with their class so we would like to encourage everyone to be present for testing. A few tips to help your child perform to the best of his/her ability on the tests are:

- 1) Get 8 hours of sleep
- 2) Eat a healthy breakfast, avoid high sugar foods.
- 3) Arrive to school on time or before the morning bell
- 4) Make the morning preparation stressfree
- 5) Pray and bless your child(ren) before you dismiss them each day day

These last two months of school will be busy ones so let's work together to make this another successful school year. We will make our beloved Sr. Mary Jo proud as she looks down on us smiling and forever sending prayers our way. ALLELUIA!

