

The arrival of Monday, after Spring break greeted us all, with smiles and great chatter of our activities throughout Spring Break.

Although a short week, it was a week of preparation for today's celebrated Seder Meal. We hope you had the opportunity to watch the live feed as Ms. Dressler's Grade 7 class led the individual grades while sharing their own meal in reflection of the Last Supper. May you and your family be blessed as you celebrate the true meaning of Easter, from the reflection of Good Friday to the joy of Easter Sunday. Happy Easter!

# **April 5 - April 9 School events**

- April 5
  - > Easter Monday NO SCHOOL
- April 6
  - ➤ no events
- April 7
  - Art Club Grade 6/7 2:45pm 3:40pm
- April 8
  - ➤ no events
- April 9
  - ➤ Art Club Grade 5 2:45 3:40pm

### **News from the office:**

### SOS - Saints of Service volunteer hours

With the limited opportunities this school year that parents/grandparents have had to volunteer, all SOS post dated cheques will not be processed. We are appreciative of all the enthusiasm and efforts that have been put forward. We do look forward to next year (2021-2022) in anticipation of multiple opportunities for you to volunteer and share your many gifts and talents.

# Walk with Jesus our Living Hope

**Luke 24: 2-3**. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

# **ALMSGIVING Grade 7**

Grade 7 students donated personal hygiene items for the Blessing Box.



# St James & Our Lady of the Valley Parish updates

### Lenten celebrations

**Good Friday, April 2**: 3pm @ St James Holy Communion in St James parking lot 3:45-4:45pm

**Easter Sunday, April 4**: 10am @ OLOV Holy Communion in OLOV parking lot 10:45-11:30am

### What is Flocknote?

Flocknote is a Catholic-based app that we've been testing to provide Parish information directly to you through emails and texts. This content is:

- generated and administered by our Parish members
- reviewed by our Pastors available for free for all Parishioners
- confidential (meets all internet privacy protocols)

If you would like to sign up and receive this information:

**Web:** go to StJamesOLOV.flocknote.com and sign up. You will be given an opportunity to sign up for Ministries and Groups: the 'locked' groups are for current members only but other Ministries will be added as we grow. Text: text "SJOLOV" to 1-514-900-0130. You will receive a follow up text to sign up. Please e-mail the Parish office stjameschurch1@shaw.ca if you have any questions, concerns or trouble signing up.

# **St James Parent Support Group:**

## NEWS FLASH!!

#### AMAZING, APPRECIATED, AWESOME

Your generosity has provided many exceptional, one of a kind, priceless auction items that deem the Silent Auction to be a HUGE financial success.

SULENT	Bid.While we work to deliver a seamless online experience we are going to postpone this fabulous event until May.Donate.Anyone who wishes to still donate the opportunity presents itself. Stay tuned it will be worth the wait!



Spring has sprung! PSG is excited to offer their annual Growing Smiles fundraiser Order deadline is April 16 Pick up is May 4

https://stjamescatholic.growingsmilesfundraising.com/

**Purdy's chocolate fundraiser** - THANK you for all your support for this successful fundraiser. Happy Easter!

### Meet the Staff at St. James



Name: Karen Heaven-Whieldon Birthplace: Vancouver, BC Family: 3 children, 5 grandchildren all have attended SJS Family of firefighters: Dad, retired Captain Vancouver fire department, a Brother, Deputy Chief, a Son, Deputy Chief, a Nephew (rookie) + 1 Nephew in waiting Favourite Activities: walking, hiking, gardening, biking, family potlucks and staying connected with family and friends

Favourite Destinations: Christina Lake, Campbell River and Hawaii

**Prior Work Destinations:** London, England, New Orleans, LA, Las Vegas & Toronto **Church Ministries:** 

- Eurcharistic minister Distribution of Communion
- Alter server for Funerals and Mass

Fun Facts:

- Mrs Joan O'Leary (retired SJS teacher) taught myself in Grade 2 at Corpus Christi school in Vancouver and taught my 3 children at SJS.
- Retired  $\frac{1}{2}$  marathon runner

Inspirational quotes: "Let go and Let God", "Be not Afraid"

## **Upcoming Events:**

- April 13
  - > Class photos
  - Uniform sale new & used
- April 22 Early Dismissal 12:00pm NOON
  - Parent/Teacher/Student conference
- April 23 NO SCHOOL
  - > Parent/Teacher/Student conference
- April 29 Field trip Grade 4 Kingfisher
- April 30 Field trip Grade 2 Gardom Lake