



Welcome back from Spring Break. The hallways were filled with excitement of stories to tell, experiences to share and moments of sheer appreciation of the time away, regardless of how one spent it.

As we continue our Lenten journey, we invite you to join us tonight, **Friday April 8th @ 7:00pm** at St James Church, as the CGL (**Catholic Girls League**) leads the **Stations of the Cross**.

News from the Office:

Ukraine Fundraiser: Join us in the Parish Centre, **Monday, April 11 6:00pm - 8:00pm**
Gather together with members of our Parishes and School community.
Bring your creative side to make a beaded bracelet, by donation. This is a family event!
All are welcome! Light refreshments will be served.

April 11 - April 15 School Events

- **April 11**
 - Ukraine Fundraiser 6:00pm - 8:00pm (Parish Centre)
- **April 12**
 - 9:00am - 11:00am New & Gently used Uniform Sale
 - 12:30pm - 12:55pm Ukulele Club Gr 4&5
- **April 13**
 - 8:40am School Assembly
 - 12:45pm Gr. 1 Art Gallery
- **April 14**
 - 10:30am Seder Meal
 - 12:30pm - 12:55pm Choir
 - 2:45pm - 3:45pm Liturgical Dance
- **April 15**
 - **GOOD FRIDAY - NO School**

Ishmael Spear-it - April 22

This year, we will hold the event during the school day for students only.

If you are able to download books or audiobooks to devices, that will help your child be more prepared for this exciting day of reading competition!

See [attached booklist by grade level](#).

News from Parent Support Group:

Spring Flowers from Devrys - Order deadline - April 17

<https://stjamescatholic.growingsmilefundraising.com/home>



Online Auction: after tremendous success, it's back for it's 2nd year

We are VERY excited to announce our major fundraising event for the 2021/2022 school year –

Virtual Online Auction!! The week of **April 29- May 6th, 2022.**

We hope that each family will bring some type of donation for the event.

This could be one or more of the following:

- Approach a business for a donation (donation request form attached)
- Donate an item or gift certificate on behalf of your family
- Contribute to the classroom theme baskets or create a theme basket on your own or with other families

Kindergarten – Pets **Grade 1** – Family Movie/Game Night **Grade 2** – Self Care

Grade 3 – Local Love **Grade 4** - Sports **Grade 5** – A Night at Home

Grade 6 – Books & Crafts **Grade 7** – Summertime Fun

- Donate a talent, skill or service (*ie. woodwork, sewing, landscaping, lessons*)
- Provide a bottle of wine or other items we can use to make baskets

Auction Volunteers needed:

If you are able to assist with either of the following opportunities, please contact **Christyna Whieldon 778.212.6654**

Donation requester role (1 person)

E-mail the provided list of businesses to ask for a donation. An e-mail / contact list will be provided. Provide pick up requests to "Pick up Volunteers"

Donation Pick Up role (2 persons)

Picked up donated items from Donator/Place of Business

There will be more opportunities to volunteer as we get closer to the date, stay tuned.

News from our Church:

Fridays during Lent:

OLOV Mass @ 11:00am

Stations of the Cross St. James Church @ 7:00pm tonight led by CGL, please join us!

Reinstatement of Obligation to Participate in Mass:

see attached letter from Bishop Joseph Letter to the Faithful - March 14 2022

Canada's Catholic Bishops Welcome Pope Francis' Apology to Indigenous Peoples:

<https://www.cccb.ca/media-release/canadas-catholic-bishops-welcome-pope-francis-apology-to-indigenous-peoples/>

News from the Kitchen:

Hot Lunch: April menu attached

Please **advise the office** prior to the start of the next month, if your **child will not continue** his/her participation in the program. This will **avoid any food surplus or wasting of product.**

Take Home Supper: April's menu is attached.

Upcoming events:

April 18 - Easter Monday **NO School**

April 22 - Ishmael Spear-it

April 26 - Lockdown drill

April 29 - Reconciliation for Confirmation students

April 29 - Confirmation Rehearsal

May 1 - 1:00pm Confirmation Mass OLOV

Attachments:

Pope's Apology to Indigenous Peoples, Reinstatement of Obligation, Ishmael Spear-it booklist by grade, PSG - Online Auction Donation request form, THS April menu, HL April menu