

Hello St. Margaret Mary Community,

I hope everyone had a relaxing March Break! There is lots happening in the next few weeks, please take note of the following dates:

UPCOMING DATES/EVENTS:

Thursday, March 21: World Down Syndrome Day, ROCK YOUR SOCKS! It is a full dress down day and everyone is encouraged to wear funky coloured socks with their outfits in recognition of World Down Syndrome Day. Our continued prayers and blessings for our Grade 2 students who will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday, March 21 at 7:00 p.m. at our parish.

Friday, March 22: We will be going 'dark' for an hour on Friday afternoon in recognition of Earth Hour! (1:30 - 2:30 p.m.)

Saturday, March 23: School Crossing Guard Appreciation Day - thank you for keeping our community safe!

Sunday, March 24: PALM SUNDAY - Holy Week begins

Wednesday, March 27 - Confessions (Grade 3 to 8) & Stations of the Cross in our gym in the afternoon

Thursday, March 28 - Paschal Triduum (Holy Thursday) & CSC Dress Down Day

Friday, March 29 - Good Friday (no school)

Monday, April 1 - Easter Monday (no school)

Tuesday, April 2 - World Autism Day - dress down in blue in recognition of this day

Friday, April 5 - SPRING PHOTOS - these photos are siblings (or individual) photos - it is a dress down day for the photographs

Monday, April 8 - PA Day (we will be sending home viewing glasses for the solar eclipse with each child before the weekend)

OTHER NEWS:

St. Jean de Brébeuf 50th Anniversary: This year as you may know, St. Jean de Brébeuf CSS is celebrating its 50th Anniversary. Please see the attached flyers for events taking place for this celebration planned for Friday, April 19, 2024. [50th Anniversary Flyer.pdf](#)

THE WAY OF THE CROSS FRIDAY 22ND MARCH, 2024 at 6:30p.m. followed by Mass at St. Margaret Mary Parish Lent is full of traditions that Catholics around the world take part in as they prepare to celebrate Christ's passion, death and Resurrection. Prayerful meditation through the Way of the Cross is done every Friday during Lent in commemoration of Christ's Crucifixion on Good

Friday. St. Margaret Mary Parish has various Parish groups participate and lead the community in this Way of the Cross.

This year those who have received their Confirmation this year, their families, and friends have been invited to participate and lead the community in The Way of the Cross this Friday 22nd March beginning at 6:30 at St. Margaret Mary Parish. Mass will be celebrated after the Way of the Cross. Your participation on the above date will be greatly appreciated by the Parish community

SPRING TEAMS: We wish our Girls volleyball and Boys basketball teams all the best as they have officially started their seasons! Thank you all the coaches who volunteer their time to ensure our students have a chance to play: Mrs Woods, Mrs. Zangrando, Mrs. Mladen, Miss. Olivia, Mr. Torelli, Mr. Allan & Mr. Knoll - we truly appreciate it! A reminder to our athletes and spectators that the C.Y.O. is a place to build skills and to have fun. The coaches are volunteers and so are the referees, please be kind and respectful at all times.

This Sunday is Palm Sunday which marks the entrance of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem. Palm branches were placed in his path, before his arrest on Holy Thursday and his crucifixion on Good Friday. This Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, the final week of Lent. Our parish offers weekend Mass on Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Wishing everyone a great rest of the week!

Mrs. Coletto