

# St. PHILIP PREPARATORY SCHOOL

A U.S. Department of Education National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence



March 11, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

"Brothers and sisters: You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light." (Ephesians 5:8)

How amazing to know that we are the light of the world through Christ! Know someone feeling alone? Be the light by offering companionship. Know someone in despair? Be the light by reminding them there is hope. Know someone in need of prayer? Be the light by offering up a prayer for them and tell them you are doing so.

You are the light. Be the light.

May our light shine before all and give glory to God, Ms. Danielle Gonzalez

# THIS WEEK:

Monday, March 11

• 2:10 PM Stations of the Cross in Church (Grades 3-8)

Tuesday, March 12

• 7:00 PM HSA General Meeting for parents

Thursday, March 14

• Grades 6-8 will attend Don Bosco Prep's performance of *Guys and Dolls*. All students must bring a bagged lunch to be eaten when they return to school. Students are to wear their regular dress uniform.

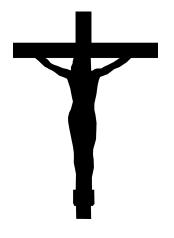
Saturday, March 16

• 6:30-10:30 PM St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance (Parish event). To purchase tickets, click - <u>https://stphilip.org/dinner-dance/</u>

## **NEXT WEEK:**

Monday, March 18

• 2:10 PM Stations of the Cross (Grades 3-8)



Friday, March 22

- SPPS Spirit Day for all students, faculty and staff
- CRS Rice Bowl moneys are due today

Saturday, March 23

 Breakfast with the Easter Bunny <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Se40InpEaCRBz9MSJzhUhkNoFhtoluVP/view?u</u> <u>sp=sharing</u>

## Week of March 25, 2024

Monday, March 25

• Confession for Grades 3-8

Wednesday, March 27

- Free Dress Down Day for all students, faculty and staff
- Early Dismissal
  - 11:30 AM PreK3
    - 11:45 AM PreK4
    - 12:00 PM K-Grade 8
- After Care is NOT available today.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS:

#### REGISTRATION

Re-registration is ongoing. If parents still need to register their children for the 2024-20245 school year, the process to re-register is below. Please re-register no later than April 30, 2024 to insure a seat for your child and proper planning for the 2024-2025 school year.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Ze2sIS8NvFTXIQl1jLgy-1N7UCiGMk4gUd Qpcjbvxro/edit?usp=sharing

Research from the National Catholic Educational Association shows that overall enrollment in Catholic Schools has grown for the second year in a row, graduation rates from Catholic high schools are over 98%, and students in Catholic schools outperform peers in public schools on the National Assessment of Educational Progress. We need these messages to be spread wide and with full heart and voice to let families know that enrolling their child in a Catholic school is both an investment in their academic future and their faith life.

Diocese of Paterson Catholic Schools For more info visit: <u>https://patdioschools.org/</u>

#### **REMINDERS:**

#### **School Wide LENTEN Practices**

#### **CRS Rice Bowl**

The oldest sibling was given a Rice Bowl to bring home. Students are encouraged to donate (within reason and means available). Money will be collected on Friday, March 22, 2024. All money collected will be sent to CRS -Catholic Relief Services. For more information on CRS go to <u>https://www.crs.org/</u>

#### Virtus/Protecting God's Children

Any parent looking to volunteer as a coach, scout leader, be a chaperone for a field trip, etc. needs to be Virtus trained. To register, go to <u>www.virtus.org</u>, and click on "First Time Registrant". Complete a background check and sign up for the 3-hour Protecting God's Children workshop.

#### **END of Year Calendar**

To date, two Emergency Days were used to close school. Pending there are no more Emergency Days needed, the last day of school with the students will be Monday, June 17, 2024.

#### SUMMER Opportunities for the Children

MHC Camp - Open House April 14, 2024 from 12:00 - 2:00 PM www.maryhelp.org/camp/ Flier: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Q3MYxDw2Eh0jr151kaMpXO7iPAXaGITk/view?u sp=sharing

#### FAMILY FUN NIGHT @ Yankee Stadium - April 21, 2024

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