



# St. PHILIP PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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March 18, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

"Martha said to him, 'Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world.' " (John 11:27)

Martha says this to Jesus after her brother, Lazarus, has died and is now laying in a tomb. This is the core of our faith - to believe in Jesus as Saviour even after tragic events have happened. We know there is no end with God. Eternal life with the Lord in heaven is waiting for all of us.

Whoever believes in Him, even if he dies, will have eternal life.

Ms. Danielle Gonzalez

## **THIS WEEK:**

Tuesday, March 19

- Rediker Parent Portal will be closed while teachers finalize Marking Period 3 grades.

Friday, March 22

- SPPS Spirit Day for all students, faculty and staff
- CRS Rice Bowl moneys are due today
- NJHS Members will be staying after school until 4:00 to help set up for tomorrow's Easter Bunny Breakfast.



Saturday, March 23

- Breakfast with the Easter Bunny  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Se40lnpEaCRBz9MSJzhUhkNoFhtoluVP/view?usp=sharing>

## **NEXT WEEK:**

Monday, March 25

- Confession for Grades 3-8

Wednesday, March 27

- End of Marking Period 3



- 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.**

**Happy Easter to you and your family!!!**

**Week of April 8, 2024:**

Monday, April 8

- School Resumes

Wednesday, April 10

- NJHS Homework Club starts today for grades K & 1.

Friday, April 12

- \$1 Tag Day for all students, faculty and staff

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

\* Be sure to continually check the “Summer Opportunities” in the “Reminder” portion of the letter. As the school is notified about various summer programs available for the children, they will be added to this section.

**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 <https://www.crs.org/>

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

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/18-GoeS6hHZdjSqnbrS0dvM2u\\_CbexBdW/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/18-GoeS6hHZdjSqnbrS0dvM2u_CbexBdW/view?usp=sharing)

## REGISTRATION

Re-registration is ongoing. If parents still need to register their children for the 2024-2025 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/1Ze2sIS8NvFTXIQ1jLgy-1N7UCiGMk4gUdQpcjbvxro/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: <https://patdioschools.org/>

## 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
  - Dates of Camp: June 24-July 26, 2024

[www.maryhelp.org/camp/](http://www.maryhelp.org/camp/)

Flyer:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Q3MYxDw2Eh0jr151kaMpXO7iPAXaGITk/view?usp=sharing>

- **NEW** Don Bosco Prep Summer Theater
  - For students currently in Grade 6-8
  - Dates of Camp: June 24-28, 2024
  - To register, visit: <https://forms.gle/q5N8jgPVqhDMbfRJ8>
  - More Information: [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Lx1qA3i5gZioBQVoQCqZSYL3Z9e\\_pmDP/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Lx1qA3i5gZioBQVoQCqZSYL3Z9e_pmDP/view?usp=sharing)

## 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 [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org), and click on "First Time Registrant". Complete a background check and sign up for the 3-hour Protecting God's Children workshop.