



“So when Jesus had washed their feet and put his garments back on and reclined at table again, he said to them, “Do you realize what I have done for you? You call me ‘teacher’ and ‘master,’ and rightly so, for indeed I am. If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another’s feet. I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do.” –John 13:12-15

Dear Parents and Guardians,

March 29, 2018

Happy Holy Week—the most sacred week of the year! Today is Holy Thursday and the first day of the Triduum. Today we remember Jesus’s Last Supper where he gave us his body and blood in the form of the Eucharist and he also washed the feet of his apostles as an example of how we should serve one another. Tonight’s **Mass of the Lord’s**



Supper begins at **7:00 PM**. On Good Friday we remember Jesus’s journey to Calvary and ultimately his death on the cross. Join the parish for walking **Stations of the Cross** tomorrow at **Noon**. It is followed by a **1:00 PM Taize** prayer service in the church. Our prayer continues with the **Celebration of the Lord’s Passion** at **7:00 PM**. Lastly, our **Holy Saturday Easter Vigil** celebration will begin at **8:00 PM**. This is a longer service, but is quite beautiful. **Easter Sunday** Masses are at **7:00 AM, 10:00 AM, and Noon**. All are welcome to remember Jesus’s suffering and death and celebrate his resurrection with the St. Anthony community.

Penance... This week grades 3-8 had the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation or spend a few minutes talking with a priest. In addition, fourteen students received their First Reconciliation last night. I would like to thank Fr. Fred, Fr. Joseph, and Fr. Andy for their ministry and offering this sacrament for our students.

Thank you... Your generosity with our Lenten Canned Food Drive is greatly appreciated. Special thanks are also extended to Mr. Matthews and our 7th grade for hosting the drive. If you would like to volunteer in our parish’s St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry please call the rectory, (202) 526-8822.

Kindness Challenge Week... Our 2018 "Kindness Challenge Week" is April 16-19. Virtus-certified parents, guardians, and grandparents are needed to volunteer with kindness stations on Tuesday April 17th and/or Wednesday, April 18th (8:15-10:30 AM). We also need people to come to be part of the kindness tunnel on Thursday, April 19th at 2:00 PM. Contact Ms. Steele if interested, judybstele@live.com.

Career Day

Together, we are partnering to educate your child and to teach the values and skills necessary for their success and ultimate happiness. The future belongs to our children. These young boys and girls will one day be leaders in the workforce, church, and government. Career Day is an opportunity to expose them to a variety of careers. They may know something about a handful of careers and very little of others. Your help is needed to make our annual Career Day a success. Please help us recruit artists, engineers, chefs, doctors, entrepreneurs, lawyers, dentists, and individuals from other exciting careers. Help us make this a great day! Career Day is on Tuesday, April 24th beginning at 9:00 AM and concluding at 11:00 AM.

Growing Gardeners... Save the date—April 14th! The Brookland Home & Garden Club is hosting its second school/ family event this Saturday, April 14th (1:00-4:00 PM). St. Anthony students and other neighborhood families are welcome to participate. The event will include painting pots, learning about soil, and planting seeds. In addition, there will be an optional presentation on solar energy and ways to make your home more eco-friendly. It is also a great opportunity to get to know other school families and to meet new friends. The event will be held in the cafeteria. Please join us!

Register online today! The TADS set up code is **A8EIM-2SN**. Families must re-register immediately to guarantee your child's 2018-2019 placement as we have begun offering enrollment to new students and your child's seat may be forfeited.

Summer Program... Our six-week Summer Program (June 25-August 3) is now enrolling rising Pre-K, kindergarten, first, and second graders. The program begins at 8:30 AM and concludes at 3:30 PM. Before and aftercare are available. Only ten spots are available. See our website for more details.

I wish you and your family a Blessed Easter Season and a relaxing and enjoyable Easter Break. Let us keep each other in prayer during this holy season. See you on Monday, April 9th!

Peace & Blessings,
Michael Thomasian
Principal

Important Dates

March 30- April 8	Easter Vacation
Monday, April 9	Classes Resume
Tuesday, April 10	Spring/ Graduation Picture Day
Wednesday, April 11	Open House, 9:00 AM & 6:30 PM
Friday, April 13	3 rd Quarter Report Cards Distributed
April 16-19	Kindness Challenge Week
Saturday, April 14	Growing Gardeners Event, 1:00-4:00 PM
Tuesday, April 24	Career Day
Thursday, April 26	Night of the Arts, 6:00-7:00 PM
Sunday, May 6	First Holy Communion, 10:00 AM

Proudly celebrating our 95th year!