



**ST. JAMES
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**
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PARISH NEWS



Mass Schedule

St. James

Sunday - 10:30 am
- 12 noon

St. Francis

Saturday - 5:30 pm
Sunday - 8:30 am

St. Mary's

Sunday - 9:00 am

Confessions

St. James

Friday 3:30 - 6:30 pm

St. Francis

Saturday @ 5:00 pm

The Holy Family



**The Presentation of our Lord
Luke 2 : 22-35**

O God, Heavenly Father, it was part of Thine eternal decree that Thine only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, the Savior of the human race, should form a holy family with Mary, His blessed mother, and His foster father, Saint Joseph.

In Nazareth, home life was sanctified, and a perfect example was given to every Christian family. Grant, we beseech Thee, that we may fully comprehend and faithfully imitate the virtues of the Holy Family so that we may be united with them one day in their heavenly glory. Through the same Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Lenten Prayer

Almighty and Everlasting God,
You have given the human race
Jesus Christ our Savior as a model of humility.
He fulfilled Your Will by becoming Man
And giving His life on the Cross.
Help us to bear witness to You
By following His example of suffering
And make us worthy to share in His Resurrection.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son.

Amen

Ash Wednesday Service

On Wednesday, March 1st, 2017 we will begin the Lenten Season with a liturgical service at St. James Church. The service will begin at 1:30 pm.

Athletics

The Intermediate Basketball season is well under way, with practices happening two to three times a week. The tournament for all of our southern schools will be on Wednesday, February 15th, 2017. The boys will be traveling to St. Thomas Aquinas and the girls will be going to Holy Trinity in Bradford.

Clubs

Guitar Club

Thank you to Mr. Nicol and Mr. Compeau for offering our students this exciting opportunity. The students gather together every Monday and Wednesday at lunch recess.

Scrabble Club

Thank you to Mrs. Herring for running the scrabble club once again. This is open to all students on Tuesdays at lunch recess.

Chess Club

Mr. Butterworth will be offering an opportunity for students to participate in games of chess during lunch recess. Please remind your child to listen to announcements if they are interested.

Valentines Dance & Food Drive

On Tuesday February 14th, St. James will have a spirit day. Students are asked to come dressed in red, pink, and/or white. They will also have an opportunity to participate in a Valentines Dance in the gym. We will also be collecting dry goods and canned food to donate to our local food bank; lifting up the spirits of others through the act of service.

Report Cards

Please note that report cards will be going home on Wednesday February 22nd. Please review it with your child and send back the third page signed to your child's teacher. Please do not send it to the office. Thank you



Pancake Tuesday

Pancake Tuesday is February 28th. We would like to thank our many parent volunteers who are giving so generously of their time to provide our staff and students with this special "treat of the month". A schedule will be sent out to the classes of their sitting time. Please note, this is not a meal replacement.

Thank you to our Community Sponsors for their generous donations to Pancake Tuesday.

Garden Foods
501 Queen St.
Bolton

Foodland
260 Queen St. N.,
Tottenham

Zehrs
30 King St. S.
Alliston

Foodland
50 Main St. E
Beeton

Freshco
161 Young St.
Alliston

McDonalds's
137 Young St.
Alliston

Swiss Chalet
36 Young St.
Alliston

Alliston Creamery Butter
26 Dominion St.
Alliston

Walmart
30 Dunham Dr.
Alliston

Dates To Remember

February 9th, 2017
Public Speaking
Competition

February 14th, 2017
Valentines Dance
& Food Drive

February 15th, 2017
Rosary Apostolate
In the Classrooms

February 17th, 2017
Gr. 7 Immunizations

February 22nd, 2017



February 28th, 2017
Pancake Tuesday

March 1st, 2017
Ash Wednesday Service
1:30 pm - St. James' Church



March 6th, 2017
Reconciliation
@ St. James Church

March 7th, 2017
Music Presentation in gym
@ 9:30 am

March 8th, 2017
CSCC Meeting
6:30 pm

March Break
13th - 17th

What to Wear?



With the cold weather upon us, please ensure that names are written on the inside of all your clothing items.

BUS CANCELLATIONS



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SOUTH SIMCOE COUNTY**

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It's Registration Time

Welcome to Kindergarten

Starting Kindergarten is an exciting and special time for parents and children. Our entire Catholic school community looks forward to welcoming our youngest students as they begin a lifelong journey of faith-filled learning. We believe there is something truly unique and special about learning that is rooted in faith and spiritual growth. By choosing a faith-filled education, we know you will share that belief with us.



All the Information You Need

To help parents and students get ready for this important milestone, our board has developed an award-winning package. We encourage parents who are looking to register their child for Kindergarten to drop by the office to pick up a registration package, which includes a parent booklet, child's activity book and activity bag. You can also find all of the information on our board's website at www.smcdsb.on.ca/families/kindergarten

First Rider Program

Riding a school bus is a new experience for many children. To help your child get ready, the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium offers a First Rider program for Kindergarten students who will be taking the school bus. Students and parents will be able to participate in a one-hour session, which includes a short school bus ride to practice safe boarding and exiting as well as bus riding procedures. Information can be found in your registration package.

English as a Second Language (ESL)

We have resources and information available for families whose first language is not English. Please inquire about the ESL version of our Kindergarten package.

We are here to answer questions and help you prepare. Please contact us at 905-936-4191 for more information.

Calendar Consultation

The Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board is now seeking feedback for our 2017-18 school year calendar. Input in the following areas is appreciated:

- Placement of elementary PA days
- Placement of secondary PA days
- Placement of the secondary examination days
- Other comments

Please visit our [2017-18 School Year Calendar Consultation](#) page on the board website and view the preliminary elementary and secondary calendars.

We welcome your feedback and invite you to fill out the [online feedback form](#). We will be accepting submissions until Friday, March 3, 2017.