

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we enter the third week of our Lenten journey, we are reminded of the small and meaningful sacrifices we make to keep our eyes on Christ. Lent is a time of reflection, prayer, and renewal, calling us to draw closer to God through acts of service, repentance, and love. As a Catholic school community, we continue to support one another in walking this journey of faith together—seeking to become more like Christ in our words, actions, and hearts.

We are pleased to welcome our **PS II student teachers**, who have joined us to learn and grow alongside our staff and students. Also, a warm welcome to **Mr. Monaghan**, who will be working in our Grade 8 classrooms until the Easter break.

We send our best wishes to **Mrs. Pagliericci** as she begins her maternity leave. May God bless her and her growing family during this special time!

A huge **thank you** to **Mr. Caputo, Mr. Hartman, and Mrs. Mazzuca** for their outstanding work on the Performing Arts at St. Francis presentation of *Newsies*. A special thank you to **Lana Haycock** for her incredible behind-the-scenes work in creating professional-level costumes, props, and set pieces. Thank you as well to all the staff and parent volunteers whose hard work and dedication made the production a true success.

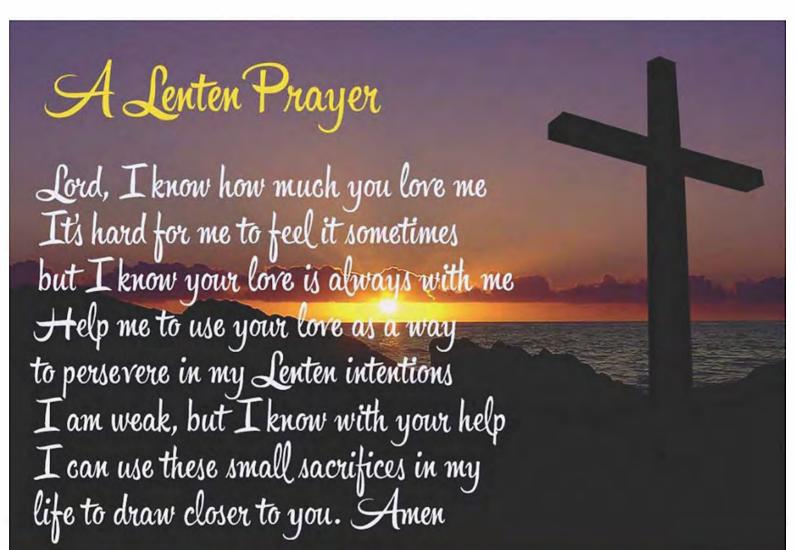
Best of luck to our **badminton athletes** as they begin their competitions this month—we are proud of your commitment and sportsmanship!

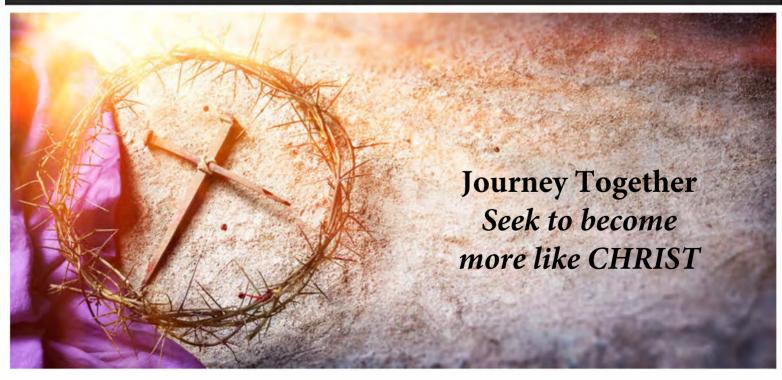
As we move into April, we will be reflecting on the example of **St. Dominic Savio**, whose life reminds us to always strive for holiness in all we do, no matter how big or small.

Finally, thank you to all the families who came out for **Parent-Teacher Interviews**—it was a great success! If you missed the opportunity to connect, please contact the office to arrange a time to meet with your child's teacher.

Take care,

Jackie Kraemer, Principal, St. Francis Junior High School





Canteen

The canteen offers regular menu items including hamburgers, chicken burgers & wraps, pizza subs, hot dogs, nachos, muffins, cookies, chips and various beverages. There are also exciting daily specials such as cheezy garlic fingers on

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Monday, mini pizza on Tuesday, etc. The daily special menus are posted on the daily announcements.

Payment can be by cash, debit tap, or through buying prepaid canteen cards on <u>School Cash Online</u>. Canteen cards can be purchased in increments of \$20.00. Your student can then purchase items at the canteen by just telling the canteen staff their name and that they have canteen funds. The staff will keep track of your student's spending and will let them know when funds are getting low.

Canteen Specials

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Monday: Cheesy Garlic Fingers - \$5.25

Tuesday: Mini Pepperoni Pizza - \$5.75

Wednesday: Weekly Special

Thursday: Alternating each week, Beef and Cheese Tacos - \$5.25, and

Chicken Burgers - \$5.50

Upcoming Weekly Specials

April 2: Grilled Cheese, \$2.50 & Tomato Soup, \$2.50

April 9: Poutine - \$5.00

April 16: KD - \$2.50, Smoothie - \$3.00

Wildcat Athletics News

All practices and games are on the St. Francis Athletic Calendar (clickable link). Refer to it often for up to date changes.



• BADMINTON: Zones - April 12th

School Fees

School Cash Online

Holy Spirit School Division uses <u>School Cash Online</u> for the payment of all school items such as fees, canteen cards, club/athletic fees and spirit wear.

Additional fees for upcoming option classes and co-curricular activities will be added as they are applicable.

If you have already registered for School Cash Online at another school in the Holy Spirit School Division, you will see the 2024-2025 St. Francis school fees in September. If you are new to Holy Spirit, you will need your student's ASN to register which can be found in PowerSchool.

If you prefer to pay by cash or cheque you can always do so by coming into the office. (Credit and debit cards are no longer accepted.)



St. Francis Junior High uses <u>PowerSchool</u> as its student information system. It provides parent and student portals which gives users access to real-time information including attendance, grades and assignment descriptions and report cards.

Be sure to log in to your Parent PowerSchool portal often to monitor your student's academic progress. If you are unsure of how to access PowerSchool please contact the school at 403-327-3402.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHECK OUT THE SF SCHOOL CALENDAR

April 14: Beginning of Quarter 4

April 18: Good Friday - No School for Students

April 21-25: Easter Break - No School for Students

May 1: School Dance, 5:00pm

Registration & Transportation Information

Reminder to complete your registration forms for the 2025/2026 school year.

Transportation Forms will be sent out early May 2025

For more information please contact the school office, 403-327-3402

Please inform the office of any address changes as soon as possible!









Spring Tour

Featuring the LCBI Choir, Jazz Band and Handbell Choir

Friday, March 28 7:00pm Peace Lutheran Calgary, AB

Saturday, March 29 7:00pm

Immanuel Lutheran Lethbridge, AB

Sunday, March 30 10:00am Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd Lethbridge, AB

Sunday, March 30 3:00pm St. Peter's Lutheran Medicine Hat, AB



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Green Shirt Day

Green Shirt Day is recognized on April 7th each year. It is a day to recognize Logan Boulet and his donation of 6 organs and to create awareness and conversations about organ donation and transplantation. Logan was on the bus with his Humboldt Broncos hockey team on April 6, 2018, travelling to a playoff game in Nipawin, SK. On the way, the bus was in a crash with a semi-truck. 14 players and team staff passed away at the crash site. Logan and one other survived to be transported to hospital, where they both passed. 13 other players have survived, with physical and emotional scars. April 7, 2018 Logan was able to donate his organs to 6 people and allow them to continue living fulfilling lives.

Each year, the Boulet family hosts the Green Shirt Day Family Skate on April 7 at the Logan Boulet Arena. It is a free event for families and community to take part in the skate, participate in a variety of activities to learn about Logan and organ donation, and have conversations about organ donation and registration.



CAMP COLUMBUS 2025

WATERTON LAKES NATIONAL PARK







BOYS CAMPS 2025

CAMP 1 (Age 8 to 10) July 6-11 CAMP 2 (Age 9 to 11) July 13-18

CAMP 3 (Age 12 to 14) July 20-25

GIRLS CAMPS 2025

CAMP 4 (Age 8 to 10) July 27 - Aug 1

CAMP 5 (Age 9 to 11) Aug 3-8

CAMP 6 (Age 10 to 12) Aug 10-15

CAMP 7 (Age 12 to 14) Aug 17-22

HIKING

- HORSEBACK RIDING
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