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NEWSLETTER



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Prayer during Black History Month

**God of love and mercy, you call us to be your people.
You give to us with your abundant grace.
Make us holy people, radiating the fullness of your love.**

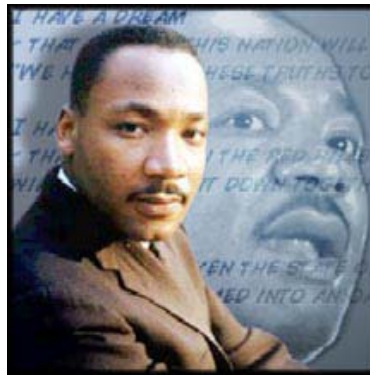
Help us recognize our neighbour in everyone we meet, whatever the person's colour, race, religion, culture or gender. Help us to share our love with all people even if they do not ask for it and even if they reject it.

Form us into a community of people who care, expressing your compassion. Remind us day after day of our baptismal call to serve, with joy and courage.

Give us to a deeper appreciation of the contributions that our Brothers and sisters of all cultures have made to society, and to the Building up of your reign. Teach us how to grow in wisdom, Grace, and joy in your presence.

Through Jesus and in your Spirit, we make this prayer.

Amen!



I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.

I have a dream that one day every valley shall be exalted, every hill and mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made straight and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all flesh shall see it together.

I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia, the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit together at the table of brotherhood.

-Martin Luther King Jr.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Registration for Junior and Senior Kindergarten for **St. Anthony School** will take place at Mother Mary Ward School on Monday, February 8, 2010 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. You can also register on February 9, 10, 11, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 – 3:00. On those days you will be required to go at St. Anthony's temporary site located at 300 Great Lake Drive (905-792-2282) Please note that if your child is presently attending Junior Kindergarten at Mother Mary Ward, it is **not** necessary for you to register for Senior Kindergarten. This will be done automatically.

The following original documents are required for registration: Child's Baptism Certificate, Birth Certificate & Immunization Record as well as a proof of Canadian citizenship or Landed Immigrant Status and a proof of address.

WINTER WEATHER

We ask that students dress appropriately (coats, hats, mitts, boots etc...) for the weather conditions. When students are dressed warmly, they are better prepared to participate in outdoor activities during recess.

STAYING IN FOR RECESS

In the colder weather, we receive a number requests to allow children to remain indoor when students have a cold or are recovering from the flu etc... **Please note that we cannot comply, as we neither have the facilities nor the staff to supervise these students.** Moreover, health officials indicate that the fresh air is good for children... not harmful, as long as students are dressed appropriately. On extremely cold days, particularly when the wind chill factor lowers temperatures considerably, we will limit the amount of time that students spend outdoors or hold recess indoors. With the exception of these occasions, we expect that all children will go outdoors for recess and during the lunch break.

FLEX BOUNDARY STUDENTS

A reminder to parents that they are to request in writing EVERY YEAR if they wish to attend a school other than their own neighbourhood school. I would like to draw to your attention the following conditions under which permission is granted:

1. Transportation is your responsibility
2. This permission for attendance will be reviewed by the Principal annually
3. The student admitted under this procedure does not automatically become eligible for the secondary school serving this school.

If you are planning on going back to your neighbourhood school, we would like you to notify us as soon as possible.

If you are out of the boundary for St. Anthony, you will need to make a request to the Principal (C. Bacci) at St. Anthony if you wish for your child/dren to attend St. Anthony next year. Do not wait until last minute.

MOVING?

If you are going to be moving to another school community during the summer, it would help us a great deal if you let us know. This information would assist us in being more accurate in making up class lists for the next school year. **Please notify the school as soon as possible** and Ms. Corvari will prepare a transfer form to bring to the new school.

VIRTUE OF THE MONTH

This month we will celebrate the virtue of **RESPECT**. God has given us the virtues of friends and companions to keep us company and to help us out along the way.

Every person in our lives carries the Spirit of God – and so every person is our brother or sister through Jesus Christ.

That **RESPECT** should come first and foremost from ourselves and then we will be able to respect others. We should also be able to expect to be treated with **RESPECT** by everyone we meet – our brothers and sisters in Jesus.

A **RESPECTFUL** person...

- Treats himself/herself and everyone else with equal consideration and courtesy
- Use a positive tone of voice and body language
- Avoids swearing, name-calling, put-downs, and inappropriate gestures
- Says “Excuse me”, “Please”, “Pardon me”
- Avoids gossip

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2010

7:00 p.m.

All parents are welcome to attend
We will be discussing our Farewell Fair

WITH GLORY HEARTS...

On Friday, February 12th, the 2010 Vancouver Olympics begin, so MMW... show some Canadian spirit by wearing RED and WHITE or your Olympic gear.



THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

Thank you all for your generosity during our “Handful of Help for Haiti” campaign. We do not have a final total at this point. We will report the total in our March Newsletter

THE VENERABLE MARY WARD

On 19th December 2009 His Holiness Benedict XVI formally promulgated the Decree recognising the ‘heroic virtue’ demonstrated by Mary Ward and thereby conferring on her the title ‘Venerable’. Her cause will now go forward to the next stage in the

process towards beatification and eventual canonization.

Mary Ward (1585-1645) was an Englishwoman from Yorkshire who felt called by God to found a congregation of apostolic, non-enclosed religious women along the model of the Society of Jesus. She spent many years in Rome petitioning the Pope to recognise her new congregation, but in 1631 her order was suppressed and Mary Ward herself accused of heresy. No charges were ever brought but she remained under the shadow of the Inquisition in Rome and her congregation was disbanded. Mary Ward’s ideal of an active congregation of religious women serving the needs of the Church was too advanced for her time. She suffered at the hands of authorities who in different circumstances might have recognised the need for such a congregation. Only in 1877 was her congregation recognised by the Church and only in 1909 was Mary Ward allowed to be named as foundress.

The cause for Mary Ward’s canonization was opened in 1929. The historical research was begun by Fr Grisar SJ and completed by Sr Immolata Wetter CJ accompanied by the Postulator Fr Paul Molinari SJ and the Relator Fr Peter Gumpel SJ. This was accepted by the Congregation for the Causes of Saints in 1995. The theologians completed their investigation in May 2009 and recommended unanimously that Mary Ward demonstrated ‘heroic virtue’ and that her cause should go forward. This was confirmed by the commission of Cardinals and Bishops in November 2009 and subsequently by the Pope.

Mary Ward’s foundation exists today worldwide under the names Congregatio Jesu and Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Loreto) with about 3,000 members. The sisters are in forty-four countries across five continents.

UPDATING PERSONAL INFORMATION

Please advise the office whenever there is a change of phone number whether it is home, cell, or business. It is very important that we have current numbers to call in case of emergency. You can call the office or leave a note in your child's agenda.

SHROVE TUESDAY

On Tuesday, February 16th, you child will have pancakes at school to celebrate Shrove Tuesday. Please let you child 's teacher know if there are any allergies or medical condition that we should be aware of. Please send a note through your child's agenda.

CLASSROOM INTERRUPTIONS

We make every effort to minimize interruptions during instructional time. If your child has an appointment during the day, could you please make sure that your child is informed and make a note in the agenda. Likewise if you are dropping off lunch informed them and they will pick it up. Also put their name on it. If you could also let your child know in the morning if pick-up arrangements are different and also let the teacher know.

DATES TO REMEMBER

FEBRUARY

- February 8 Kindergarten Registration (7-9 pm)
- Feb. 10-11 Kindergarten Registration (9-3)
- February 14 Service of Light – Gr. 2 (12:30)
- February 15 Family Day – no school
- February 17 Ash Wednesday
- February 17 School Council Meeting
(7:00 pm – All welcome)
- February 22-24 Camp Muskoka (Gr. 7-8)
- February 27 Presentation of Confirmation
Crosses

MARCH

- March 1 P.A. Day
- March 8 Presentation of Confirmation
Crosses
- March 15-19 March Break
- March 23 School Mass
- March 23 Term 2 Report Card go home
- March 26 Parent/Teacher Interview if needed
- March 29 Graduation Picture Day

APRIL

MAY

- May 5 School Mass
- May 10 Grade 4/5 at Silvercreek
- May 20 Grade 8 Confirmation (7:00 p.m.)
- May 24 Victoria Day

JUNE

- June 2 Open House – Official Closing
Ceremonies
- June 5 MMW Farewell Fair
- June 9 School Mass at the church
- June 21 Graduation Ceremony - Tentative
- June 28 Term 3 Report Cards go home
- June 30 Last day of school

Family Day
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