

LE MESSENGER



ÉCOLE ST-SACREMENT BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL

APRIL 2023



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April



Principal's Message:

Chères familles d'ESS et communauté,

Many things can happen in one week but none measure up to Holy Week. The greatest sacrifice which has changed destiny for humankind for eternity is the focus of our existence and on our calendars. Nothing else matters nor is more important than carving out time for reflection on the passion of Jesus Christ and celebration of the Easter Season with our children. Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday are the **Easter Triduum** which is the passion, death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus. This month, we will enter the Easter season which leads us to Pentecost. Let us keep one another in prayer during this holy time of the year. Blessings, Mme Mykyte

Mass schedule at BSP



Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday - April 6th

7:00pm Mass (ENG + FR) with the Washing of the Feet
After Mass: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11 p.m.

Good Friday - April 7th

10:00am Morning Prayer
11:00am Way of the Cross, after Morning Prayer
3:00pm Passion of the Lord, Veneration of the Cross (FR)
7:00pm Communion service (ENG)

Holy Saturday - April 8th

10:00am Morning Prayer
11:00am Preparations for the Easter Vigil (readings + songs)
9:00pm Easter Vigil (whole night + baptisms)
All parishioners are welcome to come to the Vigil

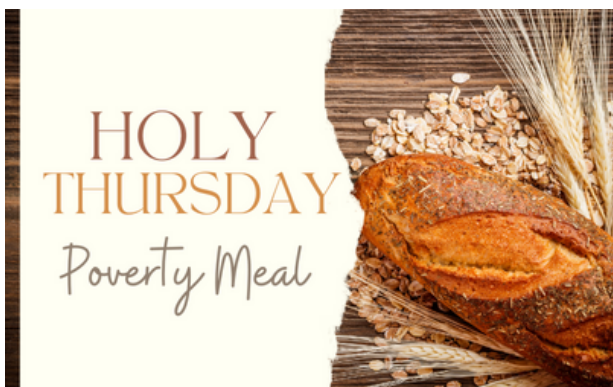
Easter Sunday - April 9th

9:30am Solemn Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord (ENG)
11:00am Solemn Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord (FR)

- ## APRIL
- April 2:** Palm Sunday, procession at BSP at 9:30 and 11:00am mass
 - April 5:** Garden workshops
 - April 6:** Holy Thursday School Retreat - poverty meal (lunch)
 - April 7:** Good Friday (no school)
 - April 10:** Easter Monday (no school)
 - April 10:** Badminton Zone Tournaments begin
 - April 10:** Immunization clinic available at school (grades K + 3)
 - April 16 - 23:** Quebec Trip
 - April 24:** Earth Day (wear green or blue to school)
 - April 23:** School Mass @BSP 11am
 - April 19 - 26:** Silent Auction
 - April 24 - 28:** Hip Hop week
 - April 28:** Hip Hop presentation and Silent Auction items pickup (gym)

Check the Announcements on our website!



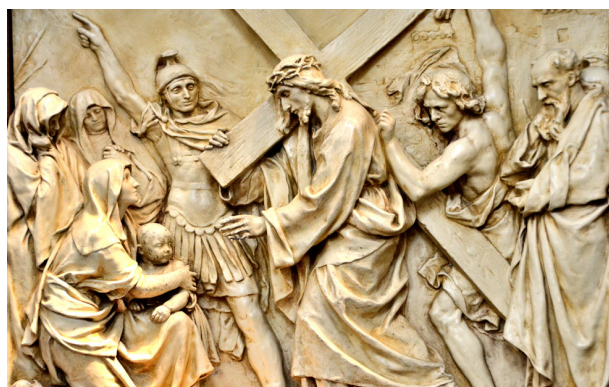


HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 6

On Holy Thursday, April 6th, please pack a "poverty meal" lunch for your child(ren).

Pack a lunch of:

- water (no juice or other beverages)
- 1 serving of bread (ex. a bun; a croissant; 2 slices of bread)
- 1 serving of cheese (or cheese substitute)
- 1 serving of fruit or vegetable (ex. a whole apple or a snack bag of baby carrots)



STATIONS OF THE CROSS @ESS

Families are welcome to attend the Stations of the Cross in our gym, during recess 10:25-10:40am, 12-1 pm, and after school until 4:00pm.



Join us for a celebration in story and song
Blessed Sacrament School Monday May 29



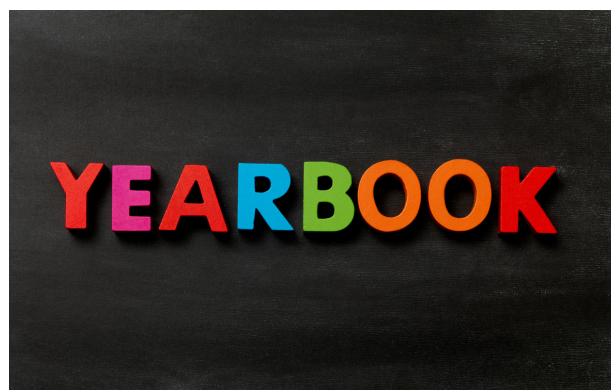
CONCERT AT ESS

Hope Aloud with Chris Bray!

Monday May 29th

1:10 pm For Students

5:30 for all school families, and parishioners



YEARBOOK ORDERS

Yearbooks are on sale online now! They are \$40 each and will arrive in September 2023.

1. Go to the secure on-line site at YBPay.Lifetouch.ca
2. Enter the Yearbook ID code: 10486623
3. Enter your child's name and grade
4. Follow the prompts

FAMILY DANCE

We are thrilled to inform you that our Family Dance is back! Save the Date: June 3rd! The Family Dance is a long standing tradition at ESS. This year's theme is: INTERNATIONAL. Music, food and plenty of fun! Come dressed in traditional outfits or colours. More details to come.



We are looking for a passionate coordinator(s) to assist in the planning of this popular family and community event! Contact Mme Mykyte.



FROM THE LIBRARY

A big thank you to all the families who supported the Scholastic Book Fair! We had a total of \$3400 in sales which means that the library has \$1500 in credit towards buying new books from Scholastic. The classroom teachers also really appreciated the donated books for their classroom library. A special thank you to the parent volunteers that helped make the book fair possible.

* Dress up as your favourite book character- **May 2nd.**

Spring cleaning? Set aside those English and French books for our annual ESS Book Swap in June! To encourage summer reading, students are invited to bring in gently used books that they no longer wish to keep and swap them with books brought in by other students. The library will start collecting these books starting in April.

MAY

- MAY 2:** Literary character dress-up day!
- MAY 11:** Class & Club Photo Day
- MAY 14:** Mother's Day + School Mass @BSP 11am
- MAY 15:** VIP day at Neat Uniforms
- May 19 - May 20:** Outdoor Ed camping trip for grades 5-7 at Loon Lake
- May 23:** Victoria Day (NO SCHOOL)



MAY: MONTH OF MARY

In May of 2002 Pope John Paul II said, "Today we begin the month dedicated to Our Lady a favourite of popular devotion. In accord with a long-standing tradition of devotion, parishes and families continue to make the month of May a 'Marian' month, celebrating it with many devout liturgical, catechetical and pastoral initiatives!"



WELCOME BACK FR. GILBERT

On April 4th we welcome back Fr. Gilbert as he returns from the Philippines.

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FOCUS WEEK

May 15th

**Join us for your Exclusive VIP
Day at our Neat Uniforms store**

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Email: info@neatuniforms.ca



WELCOME BACK FR. MIGUEL

We also welcome back Fr. Miguel! He will visit Vancouver before making his way back to Toronto.



8th Annual Gala - Tickets!

Join the Redemptoris Mater Seminary for their 8th Annual Gala! Delicious food, dancing and prizes, all in support of our seminarians. Contact [the seminary](#) for tickets, \$120 each. Thank you for your continued support of our seminarians.

SUMMER CAMP at ESS

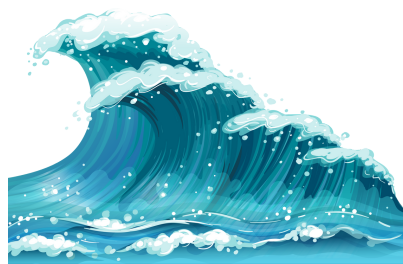


A few spots are still available in the summer camp at ESS! [Sign up today!](#)



Ocean Ambassadors - TideRider Adventure Camps

TideRider Adventures offer experiential summer camps for kids aged 8 - 12. Lots of ESS who love this camp. Sign up today!





BLESSED SACRAMENT COUNCIL 18018 KNIGHTS FREE THROW TOURNAMENT

We thank and congratulate all of the Gr.3-7 students who took part in this year's Knights of Columbus Free Throw Tournament.

Also a special congratulations to all of the winners of the tournament:

Grade 7 Boys: Sebastian

Grade 7 Girls: Chloe

Grade 6 Boys: Jaiden

Grade 6 Girls: No participant

Grade 5 Boys: No participant

Grade 5 Girls: Finley

Grade 4 Boys: Aidan

Grade 4 Girls: Demy

Grade 3 Boys: Charlie

Grade 3 Girls: Leah

OPEN HOUSE: INVITATION



On April 15, 2023 the Knights of Columbus members of Blessed Sacrament would like to invite all parishioners to a special open house hosted by the Provincial council of Knights of Columbus. Come and learn about our men's fraternity. Learn about what we do as Knights and what are the benefits if you decide to join our fraternity. This open house comes complete with a breakfast which is free for all that attend.

Breakfast is provided throughout the morning from 8:30 AM till Noon. Our benefits presentation will start at 9:30 AM till 10:30 AM. After is a Q & A session with the presenter and a social until 12 Noon..

Thank you so much for your help and support.

Blessings, DGK SK Bro. Ben
K of C Community Director Blessed
Sacrament parish Knights Council 18018

CISVA SPRING SPORTS CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 2023 Girls Soccer/ Badminton / T & F

SOCCER PRACTICE SCHEDULE @ Douglas Park

Girls soccer Gr. 4-5	Every Monday from 2:45 - 3:50 PM
Girls soccer Gr. 6-7	Every Wednesday from 2:45 - 3:50 PM

GIRLS 4/5			
Game schedule 4/5	DATE & Location	Time leaving school	Time starting
ESS @ SJW	APRIL 4th @ Hugh Boyd Turf Field-one of the two available fields; 4038 Francis Rd, that is the parking lot	12:50 pm,	2:00PM,
OLS - A @ ESS	APRIL 11 @ Empire Synthetic Turf S Field	1:15 pm,	2:30PM,
OLS - B @ ESS	APRIL 18 @ Empire Synthetic Turf S Field	1:15 pm,	2:30PM,

Game schedule 6/7	DATE & Location	Time leaving school	Time starting
ESS @ SFX	APRIL 5th @ Turf E at Andy Livingstone Park	13:45pm	14:30pm
OLS - B @ ESS	APRIL 12th @ Empire Synthetic Turf S Field	1:15 pm,	2:30PM,
OLS - A @ ESS	APRIL 13th @ Empire Synthetic Turf S Field	1:15 pm,	2:30PM,
OLS - B @ ESS	APRIL 20th @ Empire Synthetic Turf S Field	1:15 pm, (CANCELLED)	2:30PM,

BADMINTON

ESS zone 1# Apr. 13 at St. Patrick's Elementary school's GYM.
QUALIFICATIONS MATCHES
Grade 6 Players TIME: from 9:00-12:00
Grade 7 Players TIME: from 12:30 to 3:30
CISVA FINALS' TOURNAMENTS
DOUBLES – Monday April 17, 2023, St. Pat's Vancouver, 12:00 pm start
SINGLES – Wednesday April 19, 2023, St. Paul's Richmond, 12:00 pm start

TRACK & FIELD 2023 DATES AND LOCATIONS

FRIARS' TRACK MEET Wednesday April 19 At SFU (Simon Fraser University)

CISVA 2023 TRACK MEET DATE	LOCATION
DAY 1	MON. JUNE 12 Rotary Stadium 32470 Haida Drive Abbotsford, BC
DAY 2	THU. JUNE 15 Rotary Stadium 32470 Haida Drive Abbotsford, BC