

April 3, 2017  
Dear Parents,



 APRIL

Kindergarten is concentrating on the importance of Holy Week and the Triduum, as we move into the month of April. This is the most sacred and reverent time of year for us as disciples of Christ. The children have put together

their own "Stations of the Cross" book, and I hope you will read it and pray with it as a family, meditating on the sacrifices that Jesus made for us in preparation for the celebration of Easter. We encourage you to join us for Mass on Holy Thursday (the Lord's Last Supper) at 7:00pm and the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday presented by the 8th grade at 12:00pm acknowledging the importance of the Triduum, which leads to the joy of Easter in our liturgical year.

During this month of April, we will continue to refine our reading and writing skills with the use of leveled readers in the classroom and more opportunities for writing stories with sentence starters and motivational objects and props. Children will be writing in their journals twice a week, in addition to writing a class story once a week. In math, we will be finishing up our unit on probability, estimation, tally charts and graphing. We will be moving into the number facts and properties of addition and subtraction, and also some standard and non-standard measurement. In science, we will be exploring the properties and similarities of planets and animals, including their differences and structural characteristics. Our Studies Weekly will take us into the differences between communities, states and countries. A great deal will be happening for us in Kindergarten during this month.



Please remember that the last Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences for this school year are scheduled for Thursday

and Friday, April 27th and 28th, which is the first week back to school after our Easter recess. I am looking forward to sharing the amazing progress your children have achieved this year and focusing on the culminating activities that will occur as we move through the end of their Kindergarten year. Your children have developed and progressed academically, spiritually, and socially by leaps and bounds this year. I am so proud of their efforts and achievements.



**PARENT**  
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I hope you will have a very blessed, grace-filled Easter with your family. I pray that the peace and joy of this Easter season fill your homes and lives with the endless love that only our Savior can bestow upon us during this most holy of holidays! I look forward to the return of your children to Kindergarten on Monday, April 24th with a renewed enthusiasm and thirst for learning. It is sad for me to dwell on the fact that when we do return, after our Easter recess, it will be the last quarter of our school year.

I am truly blessed and grateful to be working with such outstanding, compassionate children and parents. The celebration of Easter always helps me to re-focus on the beautiful gifts that God has placed in my life. In addition to my family, I am so over-whelmed with the positive goodness and love I receive from my Holy Trinity friends, family and children. I thank God for letting you be such an integral part of my life!

Easter Blessings,  
Carol Ballard

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**EASTER!**

# Life Time (High Frequency) Words

April and May 2017

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