



“I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.”  
Psalm 22

Dear St. Anthony Families,

May 2, 2021

I once again thank Catholic University for their faithful partnership with our school. On April 16<sup>th</sup> they organized an Easter celebration for our students and on April 30<sup>th</sup> a fantastic field day. Both events were held at our school and were well-planned, engaging, and a lot of fun. All participants truly enjoyed themselves. Way to go, Cardinals! Pictures will soon be posted on Facebook and our website.

*Blessings...* This morning seven of our students will receive First Holy Communion at the parish’s 10:00 AM Mass. Let us keep them close in prayer on this very special day. May the Eucharist sustain them today and throughout their lives. Congratulations to the following students:

Avery Jeanty	Imani Kimathi
Alvaro Menjivar-Huezo	Marcos Ramos
Katherine Romero Rocha	Grace Sherin
Maria Cassandra Tumbali	

*Cuatro de Mayo...* We will celebrate Cinco de Mayo a day early! On Tuesday, in-person students will enjoy a “Taco in a Bag” fiesta. In-person and virtual students may show their *Viva Mexico!* spirit by wearing the flag colors—green, white, and red.

*Concurso de Deletreo...* The finalists are excited for this year’s Virtual Spanish Spelling Bee. Senora Garcia and Senora Bunker will share details early this week. Good luck to all participants!

*Summer Program...* The St. Anthony Summer Program has expanded to serve rising PreK3 to rising sixth graders. The dates are June 21- July 30 and the hours are 8:15 AM-3:15 PM. Students will engage in academic enrichment, arts and crafts, outdoor sports and playtime, and in-house field trips. Register today!

*Friday Exchange...* Looking ahead! Friday Exchanges will be held on Thursday, May 6, and Friday, May 14 & 21 and Thursday, May 27. As always, refer to communication from your child’s teacher for details.

*Principal Chats...* This week's Principal Chat is cancelled due to my participation in "Taco in a Bag" and the "8<sup>th</sup> Grade Day Out" happening on Tuesday during our regular time.

*Plus Portals...* Students in grades 4-8 have all of their grades regularly posted on the Plus Portals website. Please check this site weekly to monitor your child's progress and to see if he/she has any outstanding assignments. I encourage you to also visit your child's Google Classroom to read the stream and review assignments. Contact your child's teacher with any questions.

*International Day...* Thank you to our students and teachers for making this year's event a memorable one. Visit our Facebook page to see the wonderful displays.

*Calendar News...* We will not have school on Friday, May 7. This is the day of our faculty and staff retreat. In addition, school will be closed on Friday, May 28 and Monday, May 31 for a Memorial Day break. See our website for the complete calendar.

*Social Media...* Mother's Day is on Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. Last year we celebrated our mothers and grandmothers on our social media. This year I'd like to do the same. Please email me or your child's teacher a picture of your child with their mom or grandmother to be part of the fun. All are encouraged to participate.

St. Anthony will participate in the Brookland Yard Sale on Saturday, May 8 from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Table rentals are \$20 while use of our space (bring your own table) is \$15. All proceeds benefit our "Class of 2021." You can pay on our website by clicking the "Donate" button and writing "yard sale" in the comment box. Please consider joining us.



MAY 8, 2021  
10 AM - 2 PM

# BROOKLAND YARD SALE

Tables \$20 ~ Space only \$15

Participants keep 100% of their sales.

YARD SALE

The poster features a stylized illustration of a person in a red shirt and blue pants standing behind a table with various items like a yellow pitcher, a blue box, and a yellow bag. A red circular logo with a white outline is in the bottom right corner.

This is Teacher Appreciation Week! This year, more than ever, our fine faculty and staff deserve recognition, appreciation, and admiration. They have worked above and beyond, including countless extra hours, to effectively teach our in-person and virtual students. They have learned new technology, integrated new platforms, and learned how to teach hybrid. In addition, they serve morning and dismissal duties, offer office hours, and contribute to school wide activities and service projects! St. Anthony is blessed and excited to celebrate our fine educators!

Peace,  
Mr. Thomasian

*Proudly celebrating our 98<sup>th</sup> year!*