



St. Theresa School

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Dear STS Parents,

Before anything else, a BIG thank you to all those of you who participated in our Catholic Schools Week activities. It was a different type of celebration than we've ever had before, but I think that's par for the course in regards to our entire year. The winners of our CSW drawings are:

- "Why I Love STS" Student Composition: Cristian Pombo (\$50 Amazon Gift Card)
- Advertising on Social Media with Yard Sign or Info Sheet: Milania Lopez (\$50 Amazon Gift Card)
- Parent Composition Contest: Alex Costa (1-month Tuition for 1 child)

Congratulations to all our winners and "thank you" to all those who participated. We still have yard signs for your lawn if anyone would like to have one. Please contact the Office.

Thank you, also, to all those who returned their re-registration forms and to all those who recommended NEW students to STS. Those who re-registered received a \$25 deduction from their re-registration forms; those who recommend someone to STS, and they register and attend will receive a \$100 credit from their 2021-2022 final tuition payment. Re-establishing our 4th Grade for next year is a BIG priority for us, and we need your help to do so, so there is another flier coming to you via email detailing another BIG incentive that may be of benefit to you for next year.

Now on to the week ahead:

- **Graduation Re-Takes** – Friday, February 12
- **Presidents Day** – Monday, February 15 – No School/No Lil Stallions DC
- **ASH WEDNESDAY/LENT** – We begin the season of Lent: the time when we prepare ourselves to celebrate the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Ashes, this year, will be distributed by sprinkling or in another fashion, but not through the usual marking of the forehead with a cross (Covid restrictions). In school, our Lenten Program will include weekly or daily practices (as part of our Good Morning Assembly); explanations of Lent (in the daily religion classes); and weekly age-appropriate celebrations of the Way of the Cross by class. Additionally, we are exploring how we can offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation to our students (grades 4-8) in a Covid-safe manner.

- **FISH FRY** – Our 7th grade Class of 2022 will be sponsoring a Fish Fry on Ash Wednesday (please refer to the flier posted on our website). It is a wonderful meal, so, if you're fasting and abstaining on Ash Wednesday, I'm sure you will enjoy it! Take-out, only.
- And let's all remember our upcoming **Tricky Tray**. Thank you to all those who sent in their baskets; those who haven't, may drop off their baskets any weekday at the front office.

Finally, during each Catholic Schools Week, a student from the current 8th grade Graduating Class is in each school of the Archdiocese of Newark is nominated as the "Outstanding Catholic School Graduate". This year, after consultation among the Faculty, we are pleased to announce

OLIVIA CORREIA
Outstanding Catholic School Graduate
Class of 2021

Since a number of Catholic Schools in our area closed last year, the Archdiocese has allowed an additional outstanding Graduate from one of the closed schools to be named. Coming from Our Lady of Guadalupe in Elizabeth, we are pleased to announce

SOPHIA MENESES
Outstanding Catholic School Transfer Graduate
Class of 2021

Have a wonderful week! Be safe and stay healthy!

God bless!



Sr. Lou Ann Fantauzza, FMA
Principal