

Dear Parents,

***“Bethlehem was God with us, Calvary was God for us, and Pentecost is God in us.” Robert Baer***

This coming Sunday is one of the most beautiful days in the Church year: **Pentecost**. God in His goodness, did not abandon us after Jesus ascended to heaven, but sent us the Holy Spirit to guide us in our journey through life. Let us often call upon the Holy Spirit, especially when we do not see the way before us or when life becomes complicated and uncertain. The Holy Spirit lives within us and gives us gifts of peace, patience, joy and love and many more...

Now that we are nearing the beginning of the end of the pandemic, **we hope to see more families attending our Saturday night or Sunday Masses**. These will continue to be held outdoors so remember to bring your chair.

Today we had our 6th grade class with Sr. Mary lead us in the readings and prayers. Next week is our traditional **May Crowning Mass** with our 8th grade students leading this. We will be live streaming this mass as well and a link will be sent out to you the night before so that you can easily connect with us.

We are extremely proud of our students and teachers who have worked so hard during this pandemic. Our scores in September were much lower than we had anticipated after 3 months of distance learning and more than 60 new students entering our school. However, with hard work from all of our teachers, our **STAR scores jumped dramatically** so that we are now where we should be as a school academically, with some grades increasing by 4-5 grade levels in 9 months.

We do have a number of students who are still lagging behind academically as shown on the recent STAR test or who missed 20 school days or more this year or who may be failing either math or language arts. You should have received a notice from your child's teacher if they must attend a summer program. **Our summer program** will be taught by your child's next year teacher and is focusing just on math and reading. The cost is only \$200 for 6 weeks, 9:00 - 12:00, Monday through Thursday. Please sign up by filling out the form that was sent to you or let Patty Gonzalez know in the front office. The \$25.00 registration fee per child is due by the end of May so that we can purchase the necessary materials.

There are many important dates coming up. Please remember to sell your raffle tickets before May 28th, the day of the drawings.

Also we hope that you will be able to sign up for one of the days of the **Ice Cream Social** that will take place the last week of school. It is the first time that we will have all the parents here with us on the grounds for a fun activity with their children.

Have a wonderful weekend! Gratefully, Sr. Teresa

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

May 24, Monday	Wear Red Jog-A-Thon Shirts
May 28, Friday	May Crowning Mass, 9:00 am Raffle will take place at 8:00 am
May 31, Monday	NO SCHOOL
June 4, Friday	NOON Dismissal, Faculty Meeting Grade 8 GRADUATION, 6:00 PM
June 7, Monday	Wear Red Jog-A-Thon Shirts Ice Cream Social (Grades PS-Grade 3) Noon to 1:30
June 8, Tuesday	Ice Cream Social (Grades 4-8) Noon to 1:30
June 9, Wednesday	Noon Dismissal, Relaxed Dress Day, Clean Up Classrooms, Class Parties
June 10, Thursday	10:00 Dismissal after Mass NO DAY CARE