



Principal Margaret Mary's Newsletter

March 2014

**BUILDING THEIR FUTURE, CELEBRATING FAITH,
FAMILY AND ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

*** Lent ***

The holy season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5th. Here at St. Symphorosa, ashes will be distributed at the 8:00AM, 10:30AM and 7:00PM Masses. Also, in order to accommodate busy schedules, we have scheduled brief (10 minute) prayer services with distribution of ashes at noon, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, and 6:00PM – every hour on the hour. Please make every effort to begin Lent by receiving ashes, which is a powerful sign that has been used for hundreds of years to remind us of our mortality and of the necessity to turn away from sin.

Terra Nova Testing

March 3 – 14 we will be doing Terra Nova Testing. This year Grades 2-3-4-5-6-7 will be tested. Please make sure your child is not absent on these days unless it is an emergency.

Conversations with the Principal

I will be continuing the series of grade level parent meetings. We will discuss what we have accomplished so far, and where we are going. Topics discussed will be activities pertaining to that particular grade level. All meetings will begin promptly at 7PM and end at 8PM.

There will be time for questions.

Thursday, Mar. 13 – Grades 5 & 6
Thursday, Mar. 20 – Grades 7 & 8

State Visit

On March 19th we will receive a visit from the State. The state visits various schools every so many years so that we may continue our state certification. There will be three evaluators on our team, one representative from the state, one public school principal and one catholic school principal. They will mostly be looking at building safety/drills, student health records, curriculum requirements and teacher records.

Mark your calendars...

March 6 – FULL day of school/PM skating party

March 7 – **11:30 DISMISSAL**

Parent/teacher conferences

Mar 11 – Fast Food Day

School Board – 7pm

March 12 – Faculty Meeting/2pm dismissal

March 14 – Living Stations Grade 8 - 7pm

March 24-26 Parish Mission

March 27 – 5K committee mtg. 7pm

All are welcome

Giving every child every chance every day !