



St. Michael's School Newsletter

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MONTH OF MARY

May is traditionally dedicated in a special way to honoring and seeking the intercession of Mary as the Mother of God and Mother of the Church.

“She is that woman who rejoiced in the presence of God, who treasured everything in her heart, and who let herself be pierced by the sword. Mary is the saint among the saints, blessed above all others. She teaches us the way of holiness and she walks ever at our side. She does not let us remain fallen and at times she takes us into her arms without judging us.” —Pope

Francis, *Gaudete et Exsultate*, no. 176

May is also dedicated to recognizing moms, grandmothers, mothers-to-be and all women who in and through their lives encompass the qualities of motherhood.

COVID UPDATE

We are back to capacity at the school and everyone is doing well! I want to thank you all for adhering to the health authorities' guidelines and protocols. As we near the final stretch of the school year we want to continue to provide a safe learning environment for all. We kindly remind you that indoor play dates and activities outside of your household bubble are not advisable as stated by our Provincial Health Officer. Let us continue to work together to ensure our final stretch is a safe and healthy one!



School Auction: Thank You for Your Support!

This year's Auction was a big success—we raised almost **\$18,000!** The final total will be announced next week.

As always, we couldn't have done it without the generous support of the school parents and parish community. Thank you very much to everyone who placed bids and gave donations.

Picking Up Auction Items

Everyone who won an auction item should have received an email confirming their winning bids, along with details on when to pick up their items. If you haven't seen this email, please check your junk or spam folder.

Class Competition

The class competition for a movie and popcorn isn't over yet! We're still accepting cash and cheque donations at the item pick-up.

Here are the current donation value totals for each grade:

Kindergarten: \$1,040	Grade 6: \$728
Grade 1: \$1,313	Grade 7: \$525
Grade 2: \$2,043	
Grade 3: \$1,050	
Grade 4: \$767	
Grade 5: \$1,496	

The final winner will be announced next week.

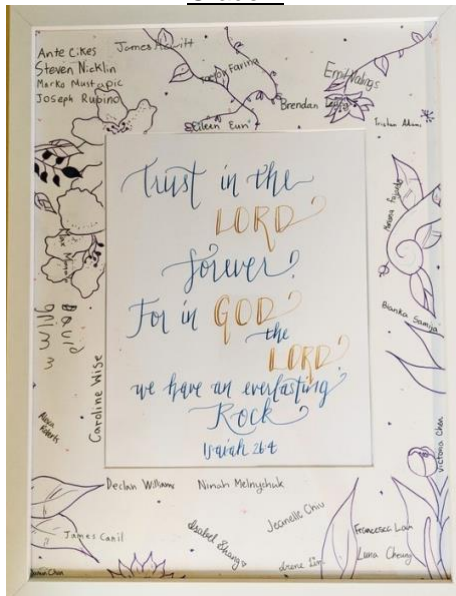
Class Projects Still Available

The framed bible verse class projects are still available for Grade 3 and Grade 7. If you'd like to purchase them, please contact Nicole or Cicy (details below).

Grade 3



Grade 7



If you have any questions please contact Nicole Rozinbaum at nicole.rozinbaum@gmail.com or Cicy Zhang at cicyzhang@hotmail.com. And you can always find the latest details on our [Facebook page](#). Thank you for your support!

CHANGE IN DATE FOR KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

We will be holding a mandatory meeting for parents who have a child entering Kindergarten in September. The meeting will be held **VIRTUALLY** on **Thursday, May 27th, at 7:00 pm.** **Mrs. Buric will send you a link to zoom closer to the date.**

AFTERSCHOOL CARE UPDATE

The PEC continues to follow-up with After-School care options for families. The SFU Childcare Society is planning to open an afterschool program in the building directly behind St. Michael's School. The program coordinator Jacqueline Ewonus **strongly advises** the families who are interested **to submit a waiting list application** and based on the requirement they will adjust their personnel to try and accommodate everyone. The expected opening date was October 1st, however construction work and renovation are still taking place.

LINK to the WAITLIST APPLICATION: <https://www.sfu.ca/childcare/enrollment.html>

The first priority for spaces will be given to the Burnaby District schools (as part of their agreement for the rights of using the structure), and the second priority is given to the surrounding community (i.e. St. Michael's).

All the info (fees, availability, enrollment process, etc.) and details can be found on their website <https://www.sfu.ca/childcare.html>, by phone 778-782-4569 or by email ccsinfo@sfu.ca

Enrollment & General Questions:

Office Assistant: Kathy Hart

Tel: 778.782.4569

Email: ccsinfo@sfu.ca

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3-5 Programs & School-Age Programs:

Program Director: Jacqueline Ewonus

Direct Tel: 778.782.5966

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Parent Participation Help needed in May

Please contact below parent participation category managers or email participationhours@gmail.com to sign up!

Maintenance

Outdoor Learning Area

Classroom Fogging (Every Wednesday 4-6pm)

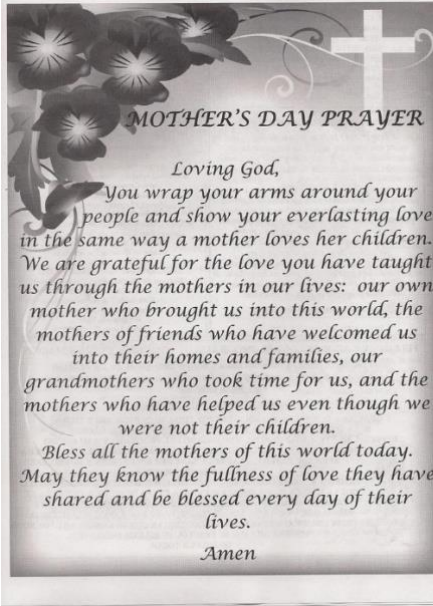
Parent Participation Hours Deadline Reminder

Please submit all participated Parent Participation Hours for the 2020-2021 School Year before/by **June 27th, 2021** on ParticipationHours.com.

Participation Hours website technical support and inquiry contact:

participationhours@gmail.com

Thought of the week...



MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

Loving God,

You wrap your arms around your people and show your everlasting love in the same way a mother loves her children. We are grateful for the love you have taught us through the mothers in our lives: our own mother who brought us into this world, the mothers of friends who have welcomed us into their homes and families, our grandmothers who took time for us, and the mothers who have helped us even though we were not their children.

Bless all the mothers of this world today. May they know the fullness of love they have shared and be blessed every day of their lives.

Amen