



# St. Jerome Journal

April 2011

## Prayer for Easter

Risen Lord, thank you for your gift

Of a new day,

Of a new life,

Of a new forever.

You give hope to us, and you give meaning to us.

We know that nothing can stop us from loving You, from serving You, from following You, from listening to You.

whatever happens to us, We know you are with us, and You will give us your gift

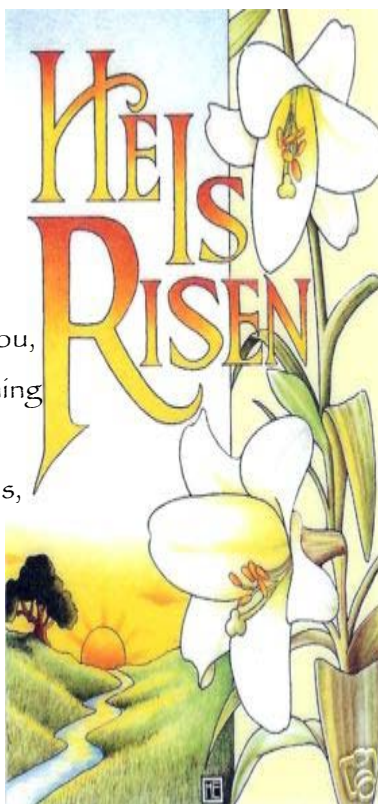
Of a new day,

Of a new life,

Of a new forever.

Thank you for Easter.

Amen



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## Message from the Principal

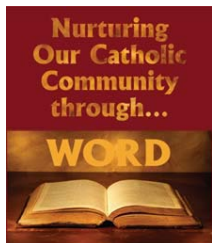
During April and until Easter, we will be collecting money for Development & Peace to support "Building a World of Justice". All monies collected will go

Towards the 200 sustainable development projects in Africa, Asia, Latin

America and the Middle East. This is our opportunity to show solidarity towards all people facing the injustice of poverty, war, lack of food and insecurity. Each class will have a donation container in their class and students are encouraged to bring pennies each day. Every little bit helps so let's see if we can make our goal of \$500.00.

## ***April's virtue is Justice***

April, with its celebration of Easter, has been assigned the virtue of JUSTICE. At this time, we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus who is the Just One who died for the sake of the unjust, that He might lead people back to God. But justice is also an important part of Catholic teaching beyond Christ's Death and Resurrection. The need to do justice comes from the obligation to respect the dignity of every human person. This dignity comes from being created in God's image. Failing to respect human dignity, including failing to do justice, is a failure to respect the image of God in others. As in this month's quote, "Let justice flow like a stream, and righteousness like a river that never goes dry." Amos 5:24, at St. Jerome we will be working towards justice by collecting money during Lent for Development & Peace to support "Building a World of Justice".



## ***Northern Telephone Directory Recovery Program***



***Northern Telephone Directory Recovery Program*** will run for the month of April. Telephone books can be dropped-off at the school anytime. Northern Telephone offers great prizes to the top collecting schools. Keep those books coming! There will be a classroom competition and the top collecting class will be treated...

## ***PA Day***

There is a Professional Activity Day scheduled for Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. The school will be closed on this date.

## ***Soup Lunch***

As part of our Healthy Foods awareness program we are offering a Soup Lunch to our students on Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. The soup of the day is: Italian Wedding. Please make sure that you have completed and turned in your order form.

## ***Subway Lunch***



As part of our Healthy Foods awareness program we are offering a Subway Lunch to our students on Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure that you have completed and turned in your order form.

We are on the web: <http://www.ncdsb.on.ca/>

## **Easter Basket Draw**

Tickets are currently on sale for an Easter Basket full of goodies. Tickets can be purchased for \$ 1.00 each from classroom teachers or at the office. The draw will take place on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup> in the PM.



## **Vesey's Fund-raiser**



Any outstanding orders for seeds or flower bulbs should be turned in a.s.a.p. The product will be ordered from Vesey's in the near future. The product should arrive sometime in May.

## **Snack Program**

Our school was also successful in receiving an additional grant of \$ 3,825.00 from the Canadian Red Cross.

A huge THANK YOU goes out to the following local organizations for their support:

Alex McIntyre & Associates \$ 100.00, Chad's Plumbing \$ 100.00, Kinsmen Club \$ 100.00

Kirkland Lake Gold \$ 150.00, Kohut Electric \$ 100.00

A reminder to parents that we suggest 0.50¢ per day, for a snack contribution if you are able to do so.

## **Pitch-In Week - April 18<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>**

Students will participate in clean-up activities in the area of our school.



## **Earth Day – Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Students will participate in a "Litter-less" lunch on **Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>**.

Everyone is encouraged to bring their lunch in food containers or reusable bags. You are also reminded not to bring things like straws and napkins,... Let's make a conscious effort to create as little garbage as possible.

Please keep in mind that we are a *nut-aware* school, therefore no nut products please! Parents we are also asking that you please send necessary cutlery to school with your child. Unfortunately, we are unable to provide utensils for everyone.



## **Blue, Green & Brown Day**

Also on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup> in recognition of Earth Day, we are asking that students dress in blue, green and brown in recognition of Mother Earth's colors.

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## **School Lunches**

It has been brought to our attention by our lunchtime supervisors that there is a lot of food being thrown out by our students. There are many children making complaints that they do not like their lunches and therefore, we have decided to send home any un-eaten items, so that parents can see what their children are eating at school. Also, please be reminded that our school offers your child a healthy morning snack on a daily basis, therefore keep this in mind when packing snacks for your child.

## **Music**

Welcome Mr. Graham Ghent from White Water Music Studio who is in our school for the next 10 weeks delivering the MusiCanopy program for our Junior & Kindergarten classes.



## **Catholic Ed Week**

This year, Education Week is May 1 – 6, 2011. *The Theme is Catholic Education: Celebrating the Spirit.*

Please watch for information regarding many fun and interesting activities taking place during this week.

## **Junior Kindergarten Registration**

Registration for the 2010-11 school year are ongoing and we welcome anyone interested in registering their child to call the school or drop by anytime.

Junior Kindergarten - Children must be 4 years old by Dec. 31, 2011

Parents/Guardians should bring the following documents when registering their child:



- proof of age
- original Catholic Baptismal Certificate
- Immunization Record
- Health Card

Please spread the word...

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