



A P R I L 2025

ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL SAINTS NEWS



N O S C H O O L

April 18-25

Easter
Break



Canteen Days

April 2- Grade 5 Gokarn
April 9- Grade 3/4 Constant
April 16 Grade 3/4 Orytnski
April 30th=Grade 1 (Fuller)



SchoolCash Lunch Box program is giving you the option to order a Subway sandwich for students on Mondays. The order deadline is Sundays by 12:00pm

Year 2025/26 REGISTRATION UPDATE forms are active. PLEASE complete your registration form *(Even if you are not going to school with us next year, there is a place to specify this at the top of page 1, this allows us to transfer documents to the appropriate school for the upcoming year.)*

With Quarter three coming to an end mid April and more fieldtrips coming to fruition this spring please make sure to **pay your school fees ASAP**. To add your child, you will need their **ASN number**. If you have any problem with School Cash online, are in need of financial support or want help finding the ASN # please contact the office through email at scpboffice@holyspirit.ab.ca, give us a call at 403-732-4359 or come in Monday - Thursday between 8:30am-3:45pm or Fridays from 8:30am-1:00pm for help in person.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SCHOOL?

SE Presents:

Junie



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JONES

TOOTHLESS WONDER

By Allison Gregory

**GET YOUR
TICKETS NOW**

You can pay online through School Cash
or you can bring cash to the office.

WE SOLD OUT LAST YEAR



Leadership theme Days

April 8 : Plaid day.



Wear plaid patterns to celebrate a belated Tartan day!

April 16: Bunny Ears/Hat Day.

Wear bunny ears or Easter Hats!

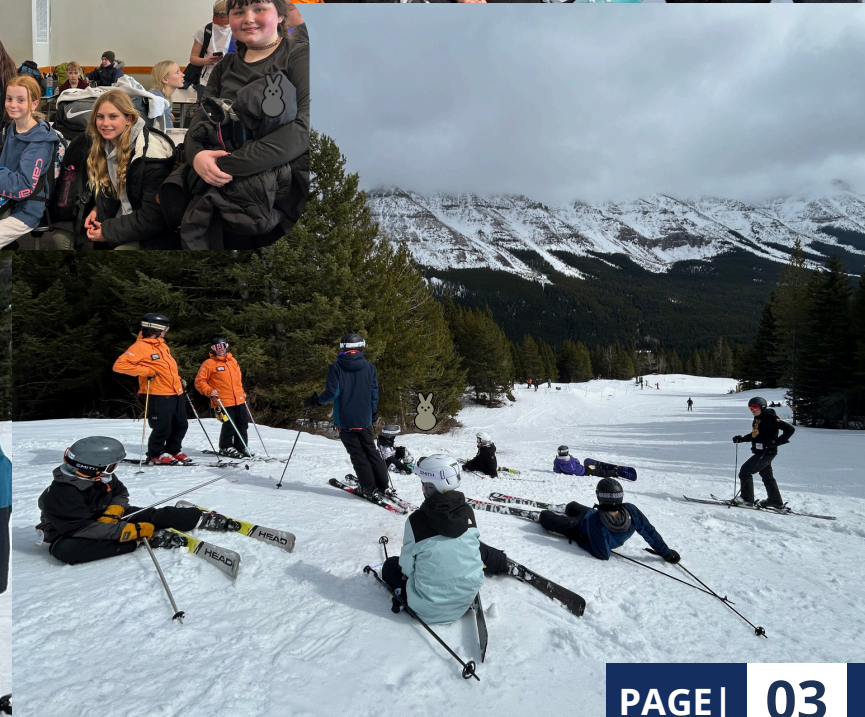


April 29: Twin Day!

Come to school matching with 1 or more people!



SKI TRIP





WHAT'S HAPPENED AT SCHOOL?



Elementary Retreat



GLOBAL DAY OF PLAY

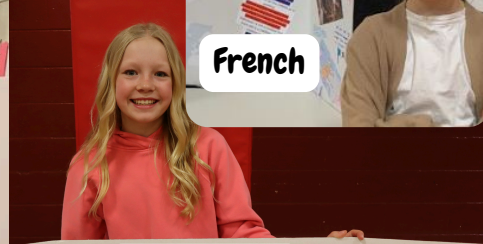




Westwind Thunders Dancers



Holland



French



Holland



Netherlands



Mexico



Ukraine



British



South Africa



Philippines



Slovenia



Germany



Ireland



Metis



Cultural Day

Presenters



SAINTS SPORTS BADMINTON



Students in Grades 6–9 came out and tried Badminton throughout the month of March! On March 20th we had our in-home tournament to assign and try out for Singles, Doubles for Bantam, Midget and Juvenile leagues. Here are the students representing us.

Bantam

**Singles: Charlie Carlton
Graceyn Vandendool**



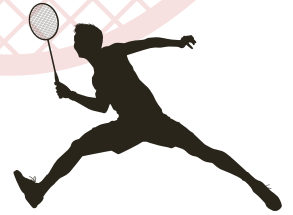
Midget

**Singles: Joel Ritz,
Joshua Diabordo,
Claire Praskach,
Tanya Yenechenko**

**Doubles: Shea Nolette &
Natalie Zavala Trujilio**

Juvenile

Singles: Quinn Byers



**Doubles: Cris Padilla Centeno
& Aaron Zavala Trujilio**

Practices are Tuesday and Thursdays from 3:30pm–5:00pm
Important Dates

April 1st=Grade 8-9 invitational tournament at FLVT

April 3rd=Grade 7-9 COLJAA Tournament in Coaldale

April 12th=Grade 7-9 zones Tournament Lethbridge.

**After School
Basketball Program
Grades 4 and 5**

**Last sessions
Wednesday April 2
Friday April 4**



**Thank you to all the volunteers who
helped allow this program to run. It
was great getting to see the
students grow and improve in
developing skills and technique for
basketball, as well as see them get a
grasp on the rules.**



Next meeting
April 30th

Keep informed and up to date with what's happening in the school. To contact School Council, email: scpboffice@holyspirit.ab.ca

For all the Minutes and more information on Student Council please visit the website www.scpb.holyspirit.ab.ca/schoolcouncil

Spring Fling Family Dance was a huge success, big shout out to Crystie Praskach for all her hard work. Many families participated and we hope to see you all at our next School Council meeting so we can continue to put on events like this in the future.

Many hands make light work.



For all the minutes and more information on Home and School visit the website www.scpb.holyspirit.ab.ca/home_and_school

Fundraising Auction is April 5
get your tickets now while
quantities last!

Minute highlights:

- Setup for the auction will be Friday April 4th at 1pm after students have left the school. A reminder that students can not be present while we are setting up.
- Marco Corbo came to us back in February with his stories of the importance of mental health. After asking a couple of students about their impressions, they said he was a 9/10. Thanks for helping us bring him in.
- Leslie has also applied for a \$5000 library grant for the school library to utilize to purchase more books/resources. Leslie made a motion to approve her as presented, seconded by Alyssa Murray – all voted in favor.

At our Gospel Celebration on Friday, March 7th, we acknowledged three students for showing Loyalty like Saint John the Baptist did.



Briggs Grade 1 is a loyal friend and tries to make others feel included. His loyalty is seen at school and on the farm.



Miranda Grade 4 has shown that she is a loyal and trustworthy friend, and she is loyal to her commitments.



JR Grade 9 is very loyal to his friends and to the things that are important to him, including his education!!

Join us at our next School

Mass: April 9th @ 9AM

St. Catherine's Parish

Parish Reconciliation March 27

Every Catholic should go to confession a minimum of once a year.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday April 13 11am

Holy Thursday April 17 6pm

Good Friday April 18 6pm

Easter Schedule

Easter Vigil: April 19 8pm

Easter Sunday: April 20 11am



April is dedicated to the Holy Spirit;

The third person in the Trinity; the Holy Spirit is often depicted through a flame, a dove or even rushing wind. Maybe its our geographical location, but I always think of the Holy Spirit on particularly windy days. How strong wind can really be even though you cant see it. Sometimes depending where you look you may not notice how windy it is, similarly the Holy Spirit can also go unnoticed, moving in the hearts of people around you and yet not always seen. The Holy Spirit doesn't appear to be as direct and yet His movements are apparent like trees swaying in the wind. I invite you to ask the Holy Spirit to guide you as you move through Holy week and enter into the Easter Season.





Holy Week



Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday April 13; starting with Jesus coming into Jerusalem being welcomed as the Messiah. On Holy Thursday Jesus institutes the Eucharist at the Last Supper, and washes His Apostles feet preparing them for his departure.

On Good Friday Jesus is betrayed by a friend, publicly shamed and rejected by the very same people who were welcoming Him as the Messiah, and He begins the walk to His Crucifixion. It seems off calling the day Jesus is crucified “Good”. We want goodness to mean easy, to mean happy, convenient, yet here Jesus shows us that

“Good” is following Gods will.

Matthew 26:39 And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.”

Jesus teaches us that Gods goodness can be found in the hardships of life, that Gods goodness isn’t defined by what happens to us, or around us, but that Gods goodness can be found in all of it. Jesus took on our suffering through the cross, He was united to us, and is now found and seen in the midst of our suffering. As we see him through the cross, we also can see His resurrection.

As Jesus’ sacrifice leads us to more so does ours. Our Sacrifice leads us to the resurrection, it leads us to newness, a fulfillment we can’t yet comprehend. It leads us to our Resurrected Lord, our Saviour.

Easter Sunday marks the Day we celebrate Jesus’ resurrection, defeating death, rising again. Opening the gates of heaven and inviting us into the fullness of His salvation.

The Easter season lasts 50 days, where we are called to feast, to celebrate and truly enter into our days with excitement and a loud Amen (I believe) and Alleluia!

