



# St. John Bosco Catholic Elementary School

"Faith, Service & Academic Excellence"

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy Easter! Happy Spring! What a better way to celebrate Christ's resurrection and our call to new life than to learn more about creation, ecological justice and stewardship throughout this month.

As Catholics, we believe in the True Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, that when the priest consecrates the bread and wine that they truly become the Body and Blood of Christ. Though they may still appear as bread and wine, with the eyes of faith we are called to believe that when Jesus said, "This is my body" and "This is my blood," He meant it!

Throughout the month of April, may we reflect upon the incredible gift we have present in our Churches, the real and true presence of Christ with us and among us, and may we take the opportunity to spend time with Him in adoration!



## PRAYER FOR APRIL

### Prayer for April

April is the month of the Holy Eucharist.  
God made you and God made me,  
He made the world for us to see.  
God loves you and long ago,  
He sent his Son to tell us so.  
Jesus showed us many things,

To love and share and dance and sing.  
To learn and pray, to help and care,  
He promised He'd always be there.  
He died but then came back to life,  
Let's celebrate for he's alive!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Amen.

## NO SCHOOL

Friday, March 29th, 2024 is Good Friday!  
Monday, April 1st, 2024 is Easter Monday!  
Monday, April 8th, 2024 P.A Day

No school for students!

Enjoy the holiday with your family!



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## SPRING SAFETY.....REMINDER!

As the warmer weather approaches, our students tend to acquire a renewed bounce in their steps and an urgency to get home to take part in springtime outdoor activities. This often causes them to become a bit careless in following safety rules, such as looking both ways before crossing streets, crossing with crossing guards at crosswalks, staying in the safe zone in our parking lot, disembarking from cars within the safe zone areas, and walking bicycles through the parking lot. Drivers, *please* be very cautious when driving through our lot. Reducing your speed, abiding by our drop off and pick up procedures, not leaving cars stopped in the drive through zone and not leaving cars running unattended. Also, a friendly reminder that supervision starts at 8:45a.m. Please direct your child(ren) to their designated outside area. Please note school starts at 9:00a.m. Thank you for your cooperation in remaining in the front foyer while picking and dropping off your child(ren).

## WASTE FREE LUNCH CHALLENGE

St. John Bosco is having Litterless Wednesdays Lunch Challenge. This challenge helps schools decrease the amount of garbage they produce and educates students, staff, and parents about waste reduction. This will start in the month of April. The Eco Team will be challenging our students to bring in a waste-free lunch using reusable lunch containers, reusable cutlery and water bottles.

## Breakfast/Nutrition Program

Thank you to Port Colborne Optimist Club for donating to our Breakfast/Nutrition Program.

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## HOT LUNCHES IN APRIL

Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup> – Pizza Day

Thursday April 11<sup>th</sup> - Waffle Day

Thursday April 18<sup>th</sup>— Archie's Sub Day

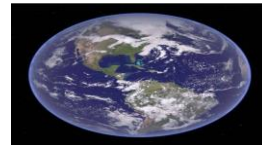
Thursday April 25<sup>th</sup> - Pizza Day

Hot lunches are available for purchase on cash online

## NEW REGISTRATIONS

Calling all future Kinder's. We want you to join our family! If you have family member starting school tell them registrations are open online at: <https://niagaracatholic.ca/registration/>

## EARTH DAY



Earth Day is April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Earth Day is a special time at SJB, a time to remember our love of this planet and all God's creation. This year, students will be participating in earth-minded activities here at the school, including a door decorating contest, eco presentation, strawberry planting activity and outdoor yard clean up. Remember, every day is Earth Day at SJB!

## SAVE THE DATE

-First Holy Communion - Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

-Grade 8 Graduation - Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>