

# April 2025

## HOLY NAME CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Let us pray,  
Walk with us in this Easter season that we might proclaim the everlasting hope of your death and resurrection. Surround us with your peace, empower us with your Spirit, and raise us up through Jesus. May the newness of life You offer sustain us as we faithfully build Your Kingdom until you come again.  
Amen

### IMPORTANT DATES



**APRIL 2**  
WORLD AUTISM  
AWARENESS DAY



**APRIL 18**  
GOOD FRIDAY  
NO SCHOOL



**APRIL 4**  
PD DAY - NO SCHOOL



**APRIL 21**  
EASTER MONDAY  
NO SCHOOL



**APRIL 8 AND 22**  
PIZZA DAY



**APRIL 22**  
JR. HANDBALL AT  
ND



**APRIL 10 AND 11**  
GRADE 3 TRIPS



**APRIL 24**  
EASTER MASS AT  
ST. KEVIN  
10 A.M.



**APRIL 15**  
GR. 7  
IMMUNIZATION  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
COUNCIL MEETING 6  
P.M.



**APRIL 25**  
TOONIE TREAT DAY



**APRIL 17**  
HOLY  
THURSDAY



**APRIL 29**  
GRADE 8  
CONFIRMATION  
RETREAT

DURING LENT, WE RECALL THE CROSS, JESUS' CRUCIFIXION AND DEATH. AT EASTER, WE REJOICE IN THE EMPTY TOMB, JESUS' RESURRECTION. EASTER IS THE DAY JESUS ROSE FROM THE DEAD AFTER BEING CRUCIFIED. THE EMPTY TOMB MEANS THAT JESUS' WORDS RANG TRUE. HE FULFILLED THE PROMISES OF SCRIPTURE AND CONQUERED SIN AND DEATH.

### NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION!

If you are someone you know has a child ready for school or is new to Niagara, please encourage them to register at Holy Name as soon as possible.

By registering for school today, you're opening the door to endless opportunities for growth, learning, and success. Contact us at 905-732-4992 to start the process today!



WORLD  
**AUTISM**  
DAY

**APRIL 2ND**  
**2025**

## World Autism Awareness Day

Every April Autism Speaks celebrates [World Autism Month](#), beginning with the United Nations-sanctioned World Autism Awareness Day on April 2. This year marks the 18th annual World Autism Awareness Day.

Throughout the month, we focus on sharing stories and providing opportunities to increase understanding and acceptance of people with autism and fostering worldwide support.

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), or autism, is a neurodevelopmental disorder that impacts brain development. The result is that most individuals experience communication problems, difficulty with social interactions and a tendency to repeat specific patterns of behaviour. They may also have a markedly restricted range of activities and interests.



### Parking Lot Safety

*We ask that you exercise extreme caution when driving in our very busy parking lot, especially during the morning and at dismissal at the end of the day.*

*Please "Kiss and Drive" so your vehicle is not blocking the arriving busses. Parents are encouraged to use the East parking lot to pick up or drop off students. Please help us to continue to keep all children's safety as it is our most highest of priorities. Together we can continue to keep our children safe.*



### Medical Information Updates

*If your contact information or your child's medical information changes, please inform us at your earliest convenience.*

[Niagara Public Health School Information](#)

*This link will provide you with information about school health such as dental screenings, head lice etc. If can also access this information by visiting: <https://niagararegion.ca/health/schools/>*



## Catholic School Council

Our next Catholic School Council Meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

**PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED NOMINATION FORM FOR NIAGARA CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (NCPIC) PARENT/GUARDIAN MEMBERSHIP 2025-2026**

## Spirit Wear

Maddalena's Uniforms

Available through the Maddalena Uniform Website:  
<https://www.maddalena-uniforms.com/pages/elementary-schools>

Graduation Hoodies

Grad. Hoodies are also available through Maddalena's Uniform.

## FUNDRAISER

To honour the incredible moms and mother figures who give their all, spreading love, light, and kindness we will be starting our Wine Fundraiser in April so orders will be ready in time for Mother's Day. Instructions about how to order and receive your items will be sent through School Messenger shortly. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation in making this school year a success!

<b>HOLY NAME CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL</b>	905.732.4992
<a href="https://schools.niagaracatholic.ca/holyname/">https://schools.niagaracatholic.ca/holyname/</a>	290 Fitch St. Welland, ON



**NOMINATION FORM**  
**NIAGARA CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (NCPIC)**  
**PARENT/GUARDIAN MEMBERSHIP 2025-2026**



The Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) supports the Mission of Catholic education and the Mission, Vision and Values of the Niagara Catholic District School Board by providing a communication link to parents/guardians, Catholic School Councils, the Diocese, the Director of Education, and the Board. The NCPIC promotes active parent/guardian engagement within all schools for the improvement of student achievement and well-being of all students in the Niagara Catholic District School Board.

The NCPIC membership is made up of parents/guardians, community and student representatives, the Bishop of the Diocese of St. Catharines or his appointed representative, principals, teachers, support staff, the Director of Education or designate, the appointed Superintendent of Education and Trustees. The Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee meets on the first Thursday of the month, on a bi-monthly basis (or as noted) at the Catholic Education Centre from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Meetings are open to the public, livestreamed and recorded.

**Parent/Guardian Membership**

To be eligible for election/appointment as a parent/guardian representative to the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee, a person:

- must be a parent/guardian of a student enrolled in a school of the Board,
- must reside within the jurisdiction of the Board,
- must support the Mission, Vision and Values of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, and
- must fully participate in the annual Commissioning Ceremony of NCPIC members.

Available parent/guardian positions for the 2025-2026 Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Membership:

Fort Erie/Port Colborne/Wainfleet	2 positions	Parent/Guardian Representatives
Grimsby/Lincoln/West Lincoln	1 position	Parent/Guardian Representative
Thorold/Merritton	2 positions	Parent/Guardian Representatives
Niagara Falls	2 positions	Parent/Guardian Representatives
St. Catharines/Niagara-on-the-Lake	2 positions	Parent/Guardian Representatives
Welland/Pelham	1 position	Parent/Guardian Representative

Interested parents/guardians are to complete and submit the parent/guardian nomination form ***no later than 4:00 p.m., on Friday, May 16, 2025.*** Nomination forms are available at the school and on the Board website, or by clicking on the link: [Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee](#).

**Please send nomination forms to:** Catholic Education Centre  
 427 Rice Road  
 Welland, ON L3C 7C1  
 Attention: Yvonne Anderson  
 or by email to: [yvonne.anderson@ncdsb.com](mailto:yvonne.anderson@ncdsb.com)



## NOMINATION FORM NIAGARA CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE



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### FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

In keeping with the Mission, Vision and Values of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC), is a regional body of representative stakeholders, that supports the Mission of Catholic Education and the Mission of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, by providing a communication link to parents/guardians, Catholic School Councils, the Director of Education, and the Board of Trustees.

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The Niagara Catholic District School Board is currently seeking to appoint up to three (3) community representatives for the 2025-2026 school year to the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee. Community Representatives should represent and be supported by an agency, association, or organization in the Niagara Region.

Interested parties are to complete and submit the attached application form, along with a letter of recommendation from the community agency, association, or organization addressed to **Danny Di Lorenzo, Chair of the Board.**

Complete application packages must be received **no later than 4:00 p.m., on Friday, May 16, 2025.**

Please send application packages to:

Catholic Education Centre  
427 Rice Road  
Welland, ON L3C 7C1  
Attention: Yvonne Anderson  
or by email to: [yvonne.anderson@ncdsb.com](mailto:yvonne.anderson@ncdsb.com)



**NOMINATION FORM  
 NIAGARA CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE  
 PARENT/GUARDIAN  
 FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR**



I have read and agree to the *Eligibility of Membership* of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee and wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a parent/guardian representative on the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Business Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I am the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Student(s) name)

who is/are currently enrolled at \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of School (s))

I am declaring my candidacy for the geographical area of:

<input type="checkbox"/> Fort Erie/Port Colborne/Wainfleet	<input type="checkbox"/> St. Catharines/Niagara-on-the-Lake
<input type="checkbox"/> Grimsby/Lincoln/West Lincoln	<input type="checkbox"/> Thorold/Merritton
<input type="checkbox"/> Niagara Falls	<input type="checkbox"/> Welland/Pelham

**Candidate's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe in a few sentences how you would like to contribute to the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee:

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**Nomination Form  
Community Representative  
Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee 2025-2026**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief Biography: \_\_\_\_\_

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A letter of recommendation from the community agency, association, or organization has been attached.

Complete application packages are to be emailed to Yvonne Anderson at [yvonne.anderson@ncdsb.com](mailto:yvonne.anderson@ncdsb.com) no later than **4:00 p.m., on Friday, May 16, 2025** for consideration.