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Dear Parents/Guardians,

On Ash Wednesday many Christians received ashes on their foreheads as they entered into the Lenten season. We do this for two reasons. It reminds us that, like Jesus, who died on Good Friday, we too are destined to die. It also reminds us if we want to rise to new life after death, as Jesus did, we must repent. We must turn from our sins and follow in the footsteps of Jesus. "Come back to the Lord your God. He is kind and full of mercy, he is patient and keeps his promise; he is always ready to forgive and not punish." Joel 2:13. The Lenten season is a special time for praying, fasting and almsgiving and deepening our relationship with God.

During Lent, at 3:30pm on Fridays, the Stations of the Cross take place at Saint Ann Church. This could be a wonderful and prayerful experience for your children to participate in during this season. They are being encouraged to pray more on their own such as at night before going to sleep or when they wake up in the morning. During Lent the children in grades three through eight have the opportunity to participate in the sacrament of Penance. Our Mass at school on Friday, March 7 is another occasion to deepen their relationship with God. They are also reaching out to others by making sacrifices to place donations in their rice bowl containers. With these experiences they should be prepared to celebrate the greatest feast of our Church year, the feast of the Resurrection.

Thank you for your responses to the reregistration. There are a few I haven't heard from and I am hoping you respond on or before Wednesday, March 5. At least let me know if your children will be returning.

Congratulations to our eighth grade students who received very good results from their high school placement test. Scholarships were awarded and all of the students were accepted into the high schools to which they want to attend. When they all make known their choices, we will publicize the information.

The students will be receiving their report cards on Thursday, March 6. Before returning the cards we ask you to put two stamps on the envelope so we can mail their final reports to you in June.

On March 8 Tiffany Lo, an eighth grade student, will represent Saint Ann School when she participates in the Patriot Ledger's spelling bee. We wish her success!

Hopefully, you are looking forward to our great fundraiser, "MARCH MADNESS" which will take place on March 29. Mark your calendar. Each family is expected to purchase a ticket to help keep our tuition rates affordable. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Please check the monthly calendar on the reverse side of this letter for other information.

May the remaining days of Lent be spiritually fruitful for each of you.

Sincerely in Christ,

Sister Catherine