



## ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

March 9, 2018

Dear Parents of St. Anthony School,

The parish Office of Religious Education has scheduled a mandatory **Family Meeting** for children receiving the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation for this **Sunday, March 11th at 9:30am** following the 8:30am Mass. This meeting will be held in the parish hall. This meeting was added to take the original schedule. The meeting on **Sunday, March 18th has been cancelled**, as many families will be going on school spring break vacations. Please remember that the deadline to turn in your registration paperwork, \$35 fee and all documents is on Sunday, March 18, 2018. I hope that you will be able to attend.

The **deadline to apply for financial assistance** for the upcoming school year through the Augustine Educational Fund is **tomorrow, Saturday, March 10th**. The application can be found on the school's website ([saskailua.org](http://saskailua.org)) and will be processed online through TADS.

There have been many accomplishments at school. First, I'd like to congratulate all the students who participated in the Hawaii Catholic Schools **Track Meet**. There were many individual and group award winners from our school and **St. Anthony's Girls Team finished First Place Overall!** Go Warriors!

Tonight, **Camryn Chun and Makayla Seeger**, 8th graders will compete at the **State Spelling Bee**. Camryn and Makayla won the top two spots in the Windward District Spelling Bee made up of private and public schools. We are proud of you!

Congratulations to **Chris Gomez**, 6th grader who was selected as a finalist to compete in the next level at the **State Geography Bee!**

**Mahalo** to **Senator Cynthia Thielen** and her staff for coming to hear testimony on selected Senate bills from our 7th graders. It was a great experience for our students who learned how to prepare and give testimony, field and answer questions from the committee, and realize that their opinions and ideas are heard and valued by our political leaders.

Congratulations to **Grace Kennedy**, 8th grader for being selected as the **Middle School winner** of the **Prudential Spirit of Community Award winner for Hawaii**. This award recognizes outstanding acts of volunteerism. Grace was selected as a board member and participant in the **Kidz for a Cause** organization which helped to raise thousands of dollars to support sick and needy children at the Ronald McDonald House, Kapiolani Medical Center (neo-natal) and the Children's Justice House. Grace will receive a silver medal, \$1000 and a four-day trip to Washington D.C. where she, along with the High School winner, Mahealani Sims-Tulba will join with the other state winners at a gala at the Smithsonian Museum of Natural History and an opportunity to meet their congressional representatives. **Kidz for a Cause** is a student-led organization that fundraises to support others in need, and along with Grace has other SAS students involved: Iwi Kea Maxey, Makayla Seeger, Henna Chong-Tim, Maile Seeger and Olivia Kennedy. Way to go!

During this season of Lent, we have been working on praying for others, giving alms and being of service. This week, the students were able to attend a **Penance Service** and Catholic students received Reconciliation. Today, our **Fifth Grade** presented a beautiful live performance of the **Living Stations of the Cross**.

The **Student Council** has put forth a challenge to each grade to fight leukemia through the **Pennies for Patients** program. The word leukemia was written on the upstairs fence and every day that the school meets the twenty dollars goal, one letter has been taken down.... with the hope that leukemia will one day be taken down. Students have also been making beautiful cards to brighten the lives of some of our homebound or elderly parishioners. Lastly, if you are participating in **Rice Bowl fundraiser** to support the Catholic Relief Society, that were distributed at the start of Lent, these are due back **Wednesday, 3/28**. Thank you to all for your prayers, service and generosity.

If you haven't read the book, **Perfectly You**, that was sent home at Christmas, now is perfect time. There is an online website, **Dynamic Catholic** ([www.dynamiccatholic.com](http://www.dynamiccatholic.com)) that has a daily video reflection that aligns with the book. It features Catholic author, Matthew Kelly, who wrote the book and a short video to help you to have the "Best Lent Ever".

I'd like to encourage you to attend the **Knights of Columbus Fish Fry** which will be held on **Friday, March 23rd** from 5pm to 7pm to purchase a delicious meal and have fun. A portion of the proceeds will go to support scholarships for students at our school. If you'd like to volunteer to help, please let us know. If you can't stay, **drive through take-out dinners are available**.

The **Third Quarter will be closing** next week on **Friday, March 16th**. **Spring Break** will officially be from **Monday, March 19th to Monday, March 26th**. We **return to school** on **Tuesday, March 27**. There will be **NO SCHOOL** on **Good Friday, March 30** and **Easter Monday, April 2nd**. Please join us for services during the Easter Triduum. The times will be posted on the calendar board in front of the hall.

**Have a happy and blessed weekend,**

Mrs. Olsen