With the season of Lenten quickly coming to an end, we will celebrate our Lord's victory over death at Easter!

Jesus' death and burial looked for all the world like the end of everything He lived for.

But God's power was not limited by the silence of the tomb or the darkness of death.

Is it spring? The calendar says it is but someone forgot to inform Mother Nature! However, the dreary, rainy days have been a blessing in disguise because they have helped us stay focused and have given us powerful opportunities for learning.

With the beginning of April, excitement starts to mount with the opening of our school play in just a week; final preparations are taking place for the Educational Fair; and of course one of our favorite days GRANDPARENTS DAY. So much to do and really so few days left to get it all finished, but never fear we will get it all completed. With that being said, it's hard to remember that we are in the fourth quarter and it is important to remind your children to always do their best. The fourth quarter has a lot of new information that your child will need for next year. It is important each child gives their very best effort in class and in doing his/her homework. Also the same self-discipline and self-control is expected always—no matter what time of the year it is.

<u>DASH n' SPLASH 5K Bike Ride/Walk and CARNIVAL ... A Student Council</u> <u>Fundraiser for Park Pride Sunday, April 22</u>

On Sunday, April 22, 2018, St. George School Student Council will be hosting a *BE THE GOOD* event to help benefit the community and also bring a little more fun to the park. Cydney Moeckli, our Community Project Director has been working with the PARK PRIDE organization to secure funds to purchase a SPLASH PAD for the city pool.

This event will kick-off at high noon on Sunday, April 22 with a 5K Bike ride or walk through the neighborhoods of Hermann and then end up at the park where a Family-Friendly Carnival will take place. There will be games, prizes, and food available. Every family has the opportunity to register early. If your family registers by the deadline they will receive a t-shirt. SEE ATTACHED Flyer for more details. It is the Student Council's hope to raise \$12,000. This will help with purchasing the Splash Pad.



The concession stand will be in full swing with hamburgers, hot dogs, chips and drinks. Many local businesses have donated the food and the fire department has agreed to grill for us. It will be a great day to be outside with family and friends while supporting our community. Please make plans to attend this fun-filled event.

Spring Play

The 6th, 7th & 8th grade Drama Enrichment Class will be presenting *HAPPILY NEVER AFTER* a Spring Play Friday, April 6th. They will have two performances; an afternoon matinee at 1:00pm and then an evening performance at 7:00pm. Please help us spread the word and support our "local actors and actresses". Doors will open at 6:00 and seating is first come first serve. Tickets may be purchased in advance through the school office. The cost for the tickets are 5 and under free, \$1 for students, \$3 for adults, and 65 and older \$2.

Congratulations to our 2nd Graders on their upcoming 1st Communion

On Sunday, April 15th our second graders are so excited to be united with our Lord Jesus Christ through the sacrament of the Eucharist, they are about to burst with anticipation. Oh to yearn for the Lord in this way! Does it cause you to stop and think about their anticipation, compared to your own reaction in receiving the Eucharist? Jesus wants all of us to receive Him with excitement and anticipation every time we take communion. He wants us to be like our second graders, eagerly wanting to consume His mercy and grace through the Eucharist. How awesome it is to have the opportunity to receive this gift every Sunday! **Congratulations** second graders! May you always want to eagerly receive Jesus into your hearts; thank you for being a shining example to all of us and reminding us how awesome it is to receive Jesus!

Educational Learning Fair and Open House April 19, 5:00pm to 6:30pm

On Thursday, April 19, 2018, St. George School will be hosting the 4th Annual Educational Learning Fair. There will be a variety of projects and presentations done by every student in grades prekindergarten thru eighth grade ranging from dioramas, to science projects, to multi-media presentations. The gym will be set-up not only to house many of these but it will also showcase the artwork of EVERY student, too.

The event will is open to the public and we encourage you to help us spread the word. The event will begin at 5:00pm and end at 6:30pm.

Grandparents' Day, Friday, April 20th

You will be surprised what our St. George students are preparing for their grandparents. They are ready to sing their hearts out for this event! This year's theme is Broadway musicals! Don't miss this fun event on Friday, April 20th beginning with 7:50am Mass. Lunch is \$6.00 per grandparent. Please use the attached form to RSVP for your grandparents or special guest. You may also email the school office with your reservation office@stgparish.com. IF your child would like to leave with their grandparent please sign the permission form at the bottom of the invitation.

Parents are invited to see our dress rehearsal on Thursday, April 19th beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Kindergarten & Pre-Kindergarten Preview Evening, April 9th @ 6:00pm

Our Early Childhood Learning Center will be hosting a PREVIEW evening for *ALL* the 2018-2019 incoming PreK families. Even though this evening is held to introduce the programs to our new families, it will not be the typical information night . . . the information will be presented by our veteran parents. The parents who have been through the program and who have become beloved members of our school community will share with you all the "secrets" of getting involved and knowing what to expect now that your little one is in school. Mark your calendars now for April 9th, 6:00 pm in our Early Childhood Educational Center (bottom level of the primary building).

If you know a family who missed the screenings or might be interested in our programs, please have them call the school office 486-5914 or email Mrs. Bolte; office@stgparish.com

PreK Mommy Make-over Wednesday, April 25

Get ready PreK mommies, the prekindergarten room will be turned into a spa on Wednesday, April 25th so you can be pampered and groomed. After such lavish treatment, you will have a special treat with your little one before you head back to work. Make plans to attend Mass at 7:50am. You won't want to miss a minute of this special day.

Enrollment for 2018-2019

Wow! It's here . . . the time of year when we are planning for next year. As of today there are 68 families who have not returned their registration papers. IF you are one of these families, please return your registration form ASAP. If your child(ren) are not returning to St. George next year, please let the office know that also. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Send a Note to Change Child's Normal Dismissal Plans

This is just a reminder to all parents if your children- even in the upper grades- have a change of plans after school, please send a note. The school cannot accept the change of plans on the child's word, nor do we have time to call each parent to verify those plans. So we will NOT change your child's dismissal routine without a note signed by a parent. Also calling the office is acceptable to change your child's plans occasionally; however, it should not be a common practice. Written instructions are better understood and easier to follow. Thank you for your full cooperation and understanding in this matter.

Dress Code Reminder

It's amazing how a child can grow in 140 days! So this is a simple reminder that . . .

- ✓ Shorts must be appropriate length including OOU days.
- ✓ No tight fitting/ "skinny" jeans or athletic pants (girls or boys).
- ✓ Uniform shorts need to be navy blue or khaki with no outside pockets or flaps.
- ✓ T-shirts or other shirts worn under a uniform shirt are to be white.
- ✓ Tennis shoes are to be worn especially on PE days; crocs, flats and sandals are not to be worn on any day.
- ✓ Socks are to be worn everyday which includes OOU days.
- ✓ School pants with holes in the knees or frayed edges need to be mended.
- ✓ No sleeveless tops are allowed on OOU days.

Last Day of School

Our missed day in February for snow has been gifted to us as a "celebration day" for our newly ordained and installed bishop. So, St. George School's last day will be Thursday, May 17th with a normal dismissal. The public school will be in session this day, so there will be bus service. Also there is **NO** After School Care on the last day of school

8th Grade Graduation Mass Tuesday, May 11th @ 6:00pm

- ▼ A Reception immediately following Mass.
- ♥ 8th graders are dismissed at 1:00 on this day.

Cafeteria Notes:

Mrs. Aubuchon, our head cook, has asked that no more daily milk charges be made after April 30th. After this date, if your child would like extra milk, it will need to be paid daily or with your monthly or weekly bill.

4th Quarter Fees

Remember all school fees (PreK tuition, Non-Catholic tuition, lunch fees, book fees, library fines, After School Care, etc.) **must be paid** in order for your child(ren) to receive their final report card. If you are not able to pay at this time, please contact Msgr. Higley.

Also, parents of 8th Graders: you are to be diligent in your tithing through August 2018. *ALL* fees must be paid in order for your child's academic files to be transferred to the high school.

Fees for the 2018-2019 School Year

The registration/book fee will remain the same - \$150 per child. The lunch fee will be \$2.90 per student and \$4.00 for adults. The technology fee of \$25 per family and the Surface Pro Insurance Fee of \$85 will remain the same. These fees will help us to maintain our equipment and buy needed supplies.

The Prekindergarten tuition has been raised to \$425 a month and After School Care fees have been raised to \$7 per child day or a family rate of \$10 per family per day. These new rates will be put into place in August of 2018.

Lunch Program Audit

During our lunch program audit on March 15th, it was brought to our attention that some of the Free and Reduce forms that were filled out by the families in August were filled out incorrectly. So in order to fix the problem, some families will be receiving their forms back. If your family receives their form back please follow the instructions attached to it and then return it. It is important that we receive the revised form back.

We are sorry for the inconvenience that this may cause but we do appreciate you filling out your form, it helps the school to receive E-rate funds as well as other federal money.

Spring Pictures

All school picture and class pictures will be taken on Thursday, March 29th. Students may wear their uniforms or *Be the Good* purple shirts with uniform pants. Also there is an OPTIONAL opportunity for spring photos. If you would like your child to participate in this please send the portrait portfolio envelop with your child to school on Thursday. Your child will take these pictures in their uniforms. Please do not send a change of clothes with your child, there will not be time for the child to change from one outfit to the other. There are many other activities planned for this day besides pictures.

Please note that the class picture and or a group picture must be purchased if your child would like one. There was an envelope sent home for the group pictures and they will need to be returned Thursday. An order form for the class pictures will go home at a later date. If you have any questions feel free to call the school office.

Easter Break

It will begin at 12:45 Thursday, March 29 and will continue until Monday, April 2nd. NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE ON THURSDAY

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