

# From the Office...

March 3, 2016

Dear Parents,

Thank you to Mrs. Patzer and the Grade 5 class for their leadership at our school Mass on Wednesday. March calendars were sent home earlier this week with the Holy Thursday Retreat Schedule is on the reverse side. We welcome all parents to join us for all or part of the day.

## Forms Due

- Registration Packages due at your Student Led or 3 Way Conference on March 3rd or 4th

- 'At The Bandstand' Parent Volunteer Forms – due Thursday, March 24

**Sports Update** – Congratulations to our Grade 6 Boys who won the CISVA Championship Game today!

The basketball season was a great one for St. Augustine's as all teams demonstrated great skill improvement.

Reminder: if you still have a volunteer driver envelope, please return it to the office. Thank you.

**Musical Update** – Please check the dates and times of rehearsals so students are prepared. Notices went out this week regarding parent participation opportunities for those who have children in the play. Thank you.

**Traffic Update** – the school has been contacted by the City of Vancouver regarding the number of parents dropping off on 7th Ave. There is NO STOPPING AT ANY TIME on 7th Avenue. If you stop and let out a student (even for a minute) you will be ticketed. Enforcement officers have been ticketing the past number of days, and we can expect this to continue.

**Lenten Giving Projects** – Maybe during this Lenten season you and your child can forgo that special coffee, or little toy and spend a few minutes collecting something for someone who is less fortunate. It would be a wonderful way to teach your children about giving. Here are some ideas below:

Sancta Maria House needs: canola oil, cake mixes, canned mushroom soups, canned tuna, toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, peanut butter, pasta sauce, raisins, dry cereal, hand dish washing soap and HE laundry soap.

Men's Hostel needs: new men's socks and underwear (various sizes).

Collection bins for donations will be placed in the foyer in the school.

## Holy Week

We return to school on the Monday of Holy Week. This sacred time in our Church year is a quiet invitation to pray – to thank God, to praise God and to ask God, and to show our love of God through acts of kindness.

**Pass the Torch** – To purchase tickets online visit <http://passthetorchgala.brownpapertickets.com/>

Pass The Torch Gala 2016

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Annual Fundraiser & Gala for St. Augustine's School, Vancouver

Find us on Facebook for updates on the Pass The Torch Gala and get a sneak peak on gala auction items and activities. This is a monumental year for us with this

being our first year in our new school. Please join us!  
We are hoping to have 400 guests this year.

**PTT Raffle Tickets** - Thank you to all those who have already sold tickets. Please use your spring break to tell friends and family about the tickets and the great raffle prizes that are available.

**Share Lent Sunday** - March 13th at noon, St. Augustine's Parish Hall.

Join other parishioners for some homemade soup and a bun (by donation). All proceeds will be donated to Development and Peace.

Wishing you all a very safe, happy and rest-filled Spring Break.

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