



# SS. Peter and Paul School Panther Press



**Monday, April 30th**

Hall Prayer 7:50am

**Tuesday, May 1st**

**Wednesday, May 2nd**

**Thursday, May 3rd**

School Liturgy 8am—please join us in the gym

Hot Dog Lunch

No Band due to testing at IMS

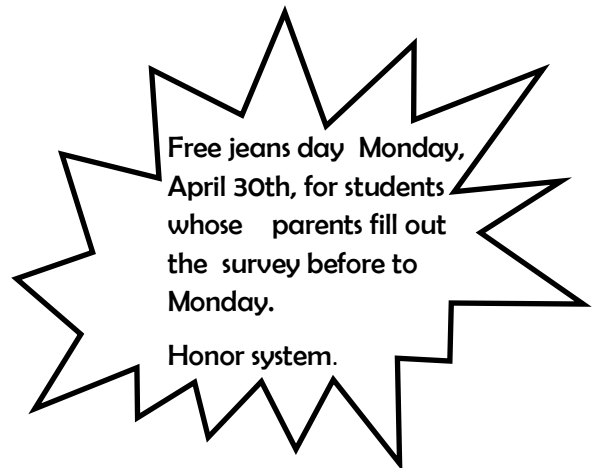
**Friday, May 4th**

Jeans Day

First Communion Retreat 7:40am-2:30pm

**Saturday, May 5th**

First Communion 4:00pm



### *Principally Speaking:*

**Program Effectiveness Surveys:** I am requesting that our school families go online and fill out a Program Effectiveness Survey for our school. Please be kind. The Diocese reviews each and every answer and gives us a score and shares the score and all remarks with Fr. Tom, administration, and our School Board. (If you really want an issue addressed, it's always best to go directly to the person with whom you have issue rather than waiting to voice your concerns via survey.) While surveys are a way for us to see where we need to improve, we also need those families who are really happy to fill out surveys showing where we excel.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EffectivenessParentCommunity>

**Registration for 2018-2019:** If you have not yet registered for the 2018-2019 school year, please do so ASAP. When registrations trickle in, it is a huge waste of administrative time as we take time to process a registration here, another registration there, etc. The Diocese also tracks our registrations, and they get nervous on our behalf when registrations are not yet turned in. A registration link is available on the school website [ssp catholic.com](http://ssp catholic.com).

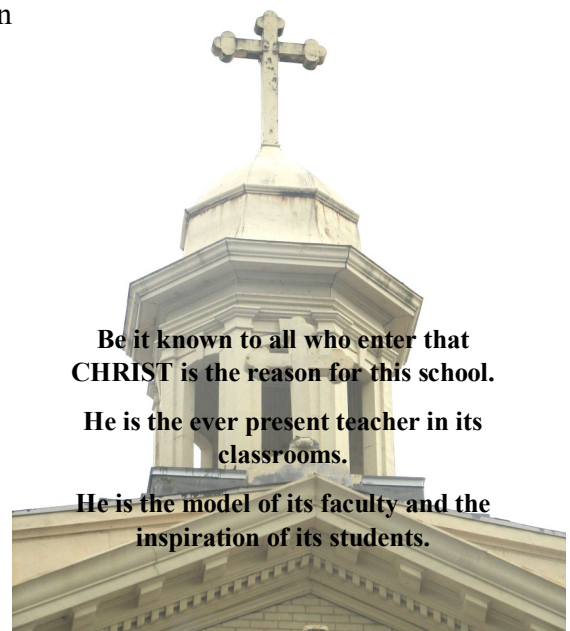
**Thank You!:** Thank you so very much to Joann Johnson and her amazing Auction Committee for hosting another fabulous Auction event. Final figures are not yet in, but I can say with certainty that it was a successful event for our school! Everyone had a wonderful time, the food was wonderful, and the generosity of our community never ceases to amaze me! So, thank you again to all those on the committee, those who donated, and those who attended and made purchases!!

**Tuition:** *At this time of year, we begin to get nervous about outstanding tuition balances. Tax returns are starting to come back, and those families who have fallen behind should have been able to get caught up. Our school budget is similar to your home budget. If you don't receive your pay check, you have serious problems paying your bills. It is the same here. When you log into Smart Tuition to look at your Tuition account, this is a contract you have made with SSPP. If you do not make your payments, it is a big deal to us, as we can't pay our bills. Our church is not wealthy. They already give us a generous subsidy so that we can keep tuition as affordable as possible. They do not have extra funds to cover the lack of income from unpaid tuition. Please don't make SSPP the last bill you pay! On our part, we likely have the lowest school budget in the Diocese of Grand Rapids. We are very good stewards of our resources.*

There are still families who are very behind on their tuition. A thousand here, a thousand there all add up, and as a school we are \$30,000 behind in tuition collection. Every family should sign in to smarttuition.com and check their balance. If you are one of the families who are behind in payments, please send me an email to [jbaty@ssppcatholic.com](mailto:jbaty@ssppcatholic.com) to let me know what your plan is to catch up by June 1st. Note that families who leave the school with a remaining balance will be turned over to Small Claims. :(

### **UPCOMING:**

Monday, May 7	May Crowning
Tuesday, May 8	Cold Lunch Only NO PM Bus
Friday, May 11	Mother's Day Tea—Kindergarten 8th Grade trip to Chicago
Sunday, May 13	4th Grade at 11:30am Mass
Tuesday, May 15	Wagon Wheel Fundraiser
Thursday, May 17	Talent Show 9:15am
May 21-24	Third Grade Water Safety 10-noon
Friday, May 25	Manner's Dinner Eighth Graders Last Day
Monday, May 28	Memorial Day—No School
Tuesday, May 29	Eighth Grade Graduation 6:00PM
Thursday, May 31	Kindergarten Graduation 6:30PM



**Be it known to all who enter that  
CHRIST is the reason for this school.**

**He is the ever present teacher in its  
classrooms.**

**He is the model of its faculty and the  
inspiration of its students.**