



St. Angela Merici Catholic School

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Friendly Friday Update # 24: Mar. 4th - Mar. 8th

Lenten Prayer



Almighty and Everlasting God, You have given the human race
Jesus Christ our Saviour, as a model of humility.

He fulfilled Your Will by becoming Man
And giving His life on the Cross.

Help us to bear witness to You
By following His example of suffering,
And make us worthy to share in His Resurrection.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son..

Amen.

Week at a Glance

Monday 4th	Tuesday 5th	Wednesday 6th	Thursday 7th	Friday 8th
Int. Boys Basketball Tournament @ SAM Mindful Monday	Int. Girls Basketball Tournament @ St. James CES	Grade 2 First Reconciliation at School	Great Big Crunch - Healthy Eating Coalition, 1:15 pm	Happy Friday - Last day before March Break!

Looking Ahead:

- **March 11th - 15th - March Break**
- **March 18 - 22nd - Share Life Week**
- **March 18th - Green Civvies Day - St. Patrick's Day**
- **March 21st - World Down Syndrome Day**
- **March 21st - Catholic School Council Meeting #4, 6:30 pm**
- **March 22nd - Civvies Day, [Vaughan in Motion - Loonie/Toonie Drive](#)**
- **March 24th - Palm Sunday**
- **March 28th - Stations of the Cross Liturgy, 10:30 am**
- **March 29th - Good Friday**
- **March 31st - Happy Easter**
- **April 1st - Easter Monday**

Safe and Caring School Environments

St Peter's Council Basketball Free Throw: Congratulations to our St. Angela Merici students for advancing past the District Level! The next stage is the Region 4 Free Throw Championship Level of the Knights of Columbus Basketball Free Throw competition, held this Saturday at Villanova College. St. Angela Merici CES has three students advancing to this next round. Good luck to all. Go Knights, Go!

Vaughan in Motion - Loonie/Toonie Drive: We are seeking your participation in an inspiring community initiative to help family and friends who are fighting cancer. The Vaughan in Motion's WALK FOR CANCER CARE happens on SUNDAY APRIL 28th, 8:30am inside the VAUGHAN MILLS mall. Please see the letter attached for more information on this event and St. Angela Merici CES's Loonie/Toonie Drive to support this worthy cause.

SAM Snack Shack: This last week before March Break, we will continue to open our SAM Snack Shack. Due to high popularity, a variety of Lays Chips will be sold. All items will be \$2.00 each.

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Basketball Tournament: The Boys Intermediate Basketball Tournament is hosted by St. Angela Merici CES this coming Monday, March 4th. Please expect a higher volume of vehicles in the parking lot and along the streets during the day.

Save the Date

SAVE THE DATE - St Angela Merici Night at York United FC - Friday, May 10, 2024 - 7pm

Join the St. Angela Merici school community as we come together to cheer on Canadian Premier League soccer team, York United, as they take on the Winnipeg Valour at York Lions Stadium. This evening will provide unprecedented access to the players and game. St. Angela Merici's CSC is hard at work planning a fun & exciting community outing. Details to come in the following weeks!

Continuous Improvement of Student Learning / Achievement

2024 EQAO Spring Assessments: Grade 3 and 6 students will participate in EQAO Language and Mathematics assessments from **Wednesday, May 8 to Wednesday, June 12, 2024**. Please let your child's teacher know if you will be away at any point during this assessment period.

Integration of Our Catholic Faith

March: In March we look forward to the first distant signs of spring. We continue our journey through the season of Lent and look forward to the highpoint of our Church calendar, Easter, which will take place this year on the last day of this month.

March Virtue of the Month: Perseverance

The Virtue of Perseverance: This month we celebrate the virtue of perseverance, which is linked with the moral virtue of fortitude. "Perseverance: the virtue which disposes to continuance in the accomplishment of good works in spite of the difficulties attendant upon them."¹ It is this virtue that helps us through the dark and difficult days. It gives us the discipline that not only leads us through the Lenten moments in our lives but in the intellectually and morally trying times. This virtue carries with it the promise of God's loving presence that is always with us.

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Lenten Prayer:

Throughout the month of March, we pray our Lenten prayer:

God of the Journey, walk with us this Lent.
Teach us to pray, fast, and give in ways that
bring us closer to you.
Help us to **persevere** in staying with you
on the journey through Lent to Easter. Amen.