

# MARCH NEWSLETTER



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

*"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."*

~ Luke 6 :36-38

The month of March continues our Lenten journey and explores judgment through mercy. Luke 6:36 is actually the concluding statement of the divine standard; it explains how God judges. We read that since He is merciful, we should be merciful as well. This is the first principle of judging others. Be merciful. Show mercy. Mercy is not giving to others the punishment they deserve. When someone sins, mercy does not punish them. In Luke 6: 37 Jesus talks about judging, condemning, and forgiving. The first two are the ones that people most often quote. Don't judge and don't condemn. But let's begin with the last one about forgiving. Christ says, Forgive, and you will be forgiven. This statement is just like Luke 6:36 about being merciful. You cannot be merciful unless there was a judgment. Similarly, you cannot forgive unless you judge that a sin was committed. Lastly, in Luke 6: 38 the verse teaches that in the way we dole out judgment upon others, we will receive the same judgment back. These verses can most definitely be reflected upon, given our current contexts at home, at work, and in our communities.

In March, St. Paul School will be accepting and approving registrations for the 2026/27 school year. If you have not registered your child or children, it would be advantageous for you to register them as soon as possible. A great deal of preparation will take place in the coming months as Holy Spirit Schools' boundaries come into effect in September 2026. In terms of extracurricular events in March, basketball teams will continue to play their league and playoff games. Science Sizzle programming will begin after school on Thursdays for grade 6 students. Lenten Celebrations and Christian Action awards will continue on Thursdays, and of course, a number of our grade levels will be visiting St. Basil's church for some Wednesday masses and musical performances. Parent council will be offering hot lunch options throughout the month and would like to share that the 'always popular SPS Bingo Night' will take place on Friday, March 27th.

St.Paul students and staff would like to thank the central office Holy Spirit Staff for hosting the hot chocolate break during our Winter Walk in early February. It was greatly appreciated by all! Thanks again to all of our parents and community members who help make St.Paul a safe space for students!

Wishing you all a miraculous March,

Mr. Myndio

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Lent Celebration 9:00	Mar 3
Soccer Game Red vs Purple	Mar 6
Basketball Jamboree 1:00	Mar 6
Music Ministry @ St. Basil's 11:00	Mar 8
Inside out & Backwards Day	Mar 9
Lent Celebration 10:45	Mar 10
School Council 6:30pm	Mar 10
100 Day	Mar 11
Grade 2 to Mass	Mar 11
No School for Students	Mar 13
Wear Green	Mar 17
Lent Celebration 9:30	Mar 17
Grade 6 Orientation @ SFJH	Mar 17
Grade 4 to Mass	Mar 18
Christian Action 9:50	Mar 24
Grade 4's & 5B to Aggie Day's	Mar 25
Grade 3 to Mass	Mar 25
Family/Teacher Conferences 4:00-7:00	Mar 26
Denim Day	Mar 27
Family Bingo 6:00-7:00	Mar 27

# ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

March is here! It's great to see the days getting longer and hopefully the weather getting warmer—it definitely makes spring feel like it's just around the corner.

Right now, we are in the middle of Lent. These 40 days are a special time for us to slow down and think about who we are and how we treat others. Father Rob Galea talks about this season; he says that Lent isn't just about making ourselves better, it's actually about making life better for the people around us.

That is a pretty cool way to look at it! It inspires us to think about what we can do every single day to help someone else. Whether it's helping a friend, being a peacemaker when things get stressful, or just spreading some extra kindness in the hallways, we have 40 days of opportunity to make a real difference.

Let's make the most of it and see how much joy we can share this month! Have a wonderful  
March,  
Tina Delinte (Associate Principal)

## March Faith Focus

This month, we turn our hearts to **St. Joseph**, the husband of Mary and the foster father of Jesus. Because he cared for the Holy Family with such love and strength, the entire month of March is dedicated to him!

St. Joseph is a wonderful role model for all of us. Even though he doesn't speak a word in the Bible, his actions speak loudly. He showed us how to be brave, kind, and hardworking. By following his lead, we can practice the virtues in everything we do. This month, let's try to be like St. Joseph by helping others quietly and showing great love to our own families and friends.

### Christian Action Theme - **Forgiveness:**

*The virtue of forgiveness is all about letting go of grudges and bitterness. By embracing forgiveness you can also embrace peace, hope, gratitude and joy.*



*This month we look for opportunities to demonstrate our faithfulness, one of the Fruits of the Spirit.*



# SOME EXTRAS...



## Family/Teacher Conferences

March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Please attend a conference to discuss your child(ren)s learning!

For In-Person Interviews it is strongly encouraged your students are present!

To book a time slot follow these steps:

Step 1: Check your email – A class email will come from School Messenger on **March 16<sup>th</sup>** with a google form attached.

Step 2: Click on the Google Class form. Fill in your email, child's name, and select the time you'd like your interview to be.

Step 3: See you there at your scheduled appointment time!

If you have questions , please feel free to contact the office at 403-328-0611

## Running Club!

Running Club will be starting March 25<sup>th</sup>! More information and permissions slips will be coming the middle of March!



### Thank-You's!

Thank you to everyone who fundraised for Jump Rope for Heart! Your support and effort make a real difference. ❤️

We raised a total of \$680 for their charity!

A big thank you to our Parent Council for organizing the Candy Grams and Kernels Popcorn fundraisers, as well as our February Hot Lunch. We truly appreciate all you do for our school community!

Thank you to everyone who came out to support the Grade 4 movie night!

They were able to donate \$600 to My City Care!



### Staying Connected

We have many ways for you to stay connected with us. Please check out our school website at:  
[www.holyspirit.ab.ca/stpaul](http://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/stpaul)

You will notice on our home page it is easy to stay connected with Facebook or Twitter. Please give it a try!



### School Council

Next School Council Meeting:  
Tuesday, March 10th @ 6:30 pm



# Reminders:

## Picking Up Students During School Hours:

To further enhance the safety of our children we require parents to come and sign their child out at the office when they are being picked up during school time.

• Parents please continue to send a note in advance in your child's agenda, informing the school that you will be picking up during school hours.

• When parents arrive at the school, they are required to come to the office and sign their child out. While signing out, the office will contact the homeroom teacher and have your child sent to the office.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation by helping us to continue providing a safe and supportive learning environment for all students.

## Breakfast Program:

Just a reminder that our Breakfast Program runs Monday through Friday 8:00-8:30am. It is free of charge and open to ALL students. Please encourage your children to come and join us for breakfast.

## Registration Updates:

Grade K - 6 Registration Updates:  
An email was recently sent to all parents/guardians informing you that the 2026/2027 registration updates are ready and available to be completed.

Please complete these as soon as possible. If you require any assistance please call the office at 403-328-0611.

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO HAVE  
INDOOR AND OUTDOOR SHOES  
FOR THIS WET WEATHER!**



Does your child love swimming? Looking for a summer cross-training opportunity? Want to make new friends, set and achieve goals, develop skills, and have a LOT of fun doing it in a flexible and supportive team atmosphere?

**Come swim with us!**

# **LETHBRIDGE ORCAS SUMMER SWIM CLUB 2026 Registration**

**Registration Begins March 1st.  
Early bird pricing until April 15!**

Check out our registration evenings for more information or view the 2026 parent handbook on our website:  
[lethbridgeorcas.com](http://lethbridgeorcas.com)

**Wednesday March 11th - 5:00 - 7:00pm**

**Thursday March 12th - 5:00 - 7:00pm**

**@Nicholas Sheran Arena Lobby**

**Suitable for swimmers of all levels, ages 5+**

**Paraswimmers Welcome**

Please email [orcasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:orcasecretary@gmail.com) if you have other questions or need more information

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**NEW**

# PARENT CONNECT

**Attachment based program for parents & caregivers of youth (ages 8-14) with behavioural & emotional problems.**



Discussion areas:

- parent-teen relationships
- adolescent development.
- strategies to deal with behavior

Parents watch role-plays and try exercises that encourage more choices for responding to their teens' difficult behaviour. "

**Thursdays March 19 - May 21**  
**6:00-7:30pm**

TO REGISTER

SCAN HERE



Family Centre  
Suite 225, 200 - 4 Ave. S. Lethbridge  
403-320-4232

 [www.famcentre.ca](http://www.famcentre.ca)  
  @familycentreyql



# Blended Families Workshop

## New Relationships, New Family A BLENDED FAMILY

Whether you're newly forming a blended family or have been living one for years, this workshop offers practical tools, supportive discussion, and insights to help you strengthen relationships and create a healthy, resilient family unit.



TO REGISTER

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Thursdays March 5 & March 12

6-8pm

Childcare by donation

**FREE**

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# **OUTDOOR REGISTRATION IS OPEN!**

[WWW.LETHBRIDGETRACK.CA](http://WWW.LETHBRIDGETRACK.CA)

**TUESDAY & THURSDAY  
5:30-7PM (COACHING)**

**SATURDAY**

**10:30-12PM (LTFC OPEN TRACK)**

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