

CEC: Coming up this Thursday and Friday, February 16 & 17, respectively. All of the staff will be going to the Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre for the two days. Fr. Thomas Smith will also be joining. Archbishop Miller will join the CEC on Friday for Mass. This will be the first in-person conference since the start of Covid-19.

Ash Wednesday/Lent: Ash Wednesday on February 22nd, school Mass at 9:15 am; daily morning Lenten Masses for students begin on February 23rd.

Grade 7 to Whistler: skiing trip for Grade 7s on March 3rd

Spring Break: March 13th to 24th. First day back to school on Monday, March 27th.

- **2023/24 Application has begun:** New parents' night was on January 31st. 16 spots available for Kindergarten. There is strong interest from parish families. High interest in older grades as well. New family interviews will be on Tuesday, February 28th from 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm.
- **Staff Attendance at the LA Religious Education Congress:** Mrs. Nicole Kelly, Ms. Miriam Boily, Ms. Jennifer Wu, and Ms. Clarissa Guevara are set to leave next Thursday, February 23rd. They are tasked with finding resources for sacrament preparation, Truth and Reconciliation, and personal faith formation.
- **Staffing Update:** Education Assistant Ms. Teresa Schell's last day will be on March 31st, 2023. She will be moving to Vancouver Island. We have re-hired Ms. Puneet Marwaha to join us as of February 21st, 2023.

Pastor's Report

Fr. Thomas Smith reported that he will be starting a new ministry in the parish centre that will come together twice a year. He will be working with the Alpha group to start a ministry with a focus on evangelization. Fr. Smith would also like to start a ministry board so volunteers will know where they can volunteer at any time for any church/parish. The ministry will lead with the theme: **Go and Announce the Gospel of the Lord**. For Lent, Fr. Smith would like to use the analogy of a labyrinth, where he would navigate the maze by discussing different virtues, until we get to Easter.

Member Reports

Staff

Ms. Clarissa Guevara reported that she attended another VCSTA (a non-unionized teachers' association) meeting, which takes place every two months. These meetings are essentially for teachers to have a voice within CISVA. At the meeting, there was an election for a teacher representative for the forum.

Maintenance

No report

Treasurer

No report

IT

Mr. Joseph Lo reported that the primary grade iPads cannot be upgraded to the latest iOS. This prevents some apps from being downloaded onto them. We will start to purchase new iPads this year to replace the primary iPads. Also, some of the staff have mentioned that they cannot print and have been having some internet issues, which IT is looking into.

Parent Participation

No report

Parish Council

Fr. Thomas Smith reiterated the mission of the parish in regards to Evangelization

New Business

Mr. Mark Acosta would like to organize the Uniform Swap Meet again this year. Ms. Maureen Moorehead would like this date to be early to mid-May, before Top Marks Uniforms comes into the school. Mr. Mark Acosta to discuss with Mrs. Carolyn Law regarding the organization of this.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm with a closing prayer led by Fr. Felix Min.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 7th, 2023 at 7:00 pm.