

## ST. ELIZABETH SETON

Catholic Elementary/Junior High School

As a school community, we celebrated **Ash Wednesday**, on February 14<sup>th</sup> with Father Rja from St. John Bosco Parish and we marked the start of the 40 days of Lent that leads up to Easter. Lent invites us to prepare for Easter, to examine our Christian roots, to experience renewal and conversion, to look inside and change our hearts, to be present as the church prepares new member for initiation. We are called to focus on our own Baptism and to consider whether we have lived up to our Baptism into God's Spirit and to see what it means to be a disciple of Christ. With anticipation, we look forward to the signs of Spring that will bring us sunshine, puddles of water and the melt of snow. We are hopeful that the many signs of new life will soon inspire us to once again go forth and grow anew in spirit, mind, and body as we celebrate Easter in April.

As we all gear up to welcome more daylight and sunshine, we are reminded that March is a short but busy month. We thank all our parents for their quick responses in stating their intentions for the upcoming school year. A reminder to all that the last date to enter your intentions through the parent portal is **March 22nd.** This information allows us to better understand how we need to plan and prepare for the return of our students. Our planning for the upcoming school year is well underway! Please check your email for step-by-step instructions on how to do this if you haven't already.

Our next Demonstration of Learning afternoon and evening for parents on March 14th, is from 2:30-6:30pm. A link to book your timeslot will be shared in the next little while. A reminder that you must have a booked appointment in order to participate.

There is no school during Spring break from March 25-29th. As well, please note that the Thursday before Spring break is a full day of school, and the Friday becomes the early dismissal day for all students in Edmonton Catholic Schools. **School will resume on April 2nd, 2024.** 

We wish you a great month ahead as we continue our Lenten journey in preparation for Easter and especially wish you a restful and fun filled Spring break!

Sincerely,

Nicole Falcone-Dempsey Principal







