



April 8, 2009—Theme This Year: Walk with Jesus

Mission: Building in Faith, Building in Hearts, Building in Minds

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus this week it is natural for us to think of these aspects of our own life. When we are experiencing a “death” we can be consoled with the fact that a resurrection will inevitably follow. Though we know by faith that, in the end all will be well, pain, never the less, accompanies adversity. Please continue to keep in your prayers those in our community who are facing challenges at this time.

The St. Andrew School community has much about which to rejoice this Easter as well.

- The 7th grade’s presentation of the Way of The Cross in church Friday was both touching and prayerful. They will do a school presentation for the children today.
- The fifth grade did a beautiful reenactment of the Last Supper yesterday.
- Jewel Breadmore, one of our 5th graders competed in a statewide gymnastics meet at the University of Tampa last weekend. There were 340 girls competing and this level. Of these 340, 16 were picked to go to the Regional Meet in Georgia – Jewel was one of the 16 picked. Congratulations!!
- The 1st grade participated in a prayer service and Seder meal today.
- The 8th grade attended the Chrism Mass at the cathedral yesterday and was a source of real pride to their teachers. One of the graduates’ activities was a car wash two weeks ago. Did you know this was to raise money for a gift to the school from the Class of ’09?
- Kindergarteners through 5th graders are busy preparing for the Elementary Science Fair which will be Tuesday through Thursday (21st – 23rd) when we return from vacation. Thanks to the middle school students who have acted as mentors to our young scientists. Feel free to stop at the parish hall on those afternoons to view the exhibits.
- The week of April 20th-24th is the Week of the Young Child, a celebration for which St. Andrew is well known. The many enrichment activities of the week culminate in a Fair on Friday afternoon. The Fair is for our PreK through 2nd graders. Grades 3-5 are invited to visit for part of the afternoon. The Future Educators of America (5-8th graders) help to run the booths. If you have time to stop in during the afternoon you will be amazed at the variety of activities around this year’s theme, “Florida.”

May each of you and your families have a beautiful Holy Week and a joyous Easter!

Sister Elizabeth