

### **Greetings St. Thomas Aquinas Community,**

The annual YCDSB board-wide Lenten Celebration of the Eucharist with Bishop Boissonneau will take place on March 12th at 1:15 pm. ALL members of the YCDSB community are invited to attend the Mass by clicking on the following link: [Lenten Mass](#). The link will remain active for viewing through to the end of the day (4 pm), Friday, March 13th.

**STA Family Literacy & Numeracy Day:** The Family Literacy & Numeracy Day will take place on March 25 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am at the school. Parent/Guardian(s) of students from FDK to Grade 3 are invited to attend and engage in various interactive literacy and numeracy centers with your child(ren). Please see the attached flyer.

[Literacy & Numeracy Day Flyer](#)

*At this time, we are asking for donations of gently used books for various ages. These can be dropped off at the front office.*

**2025/26 Yearbook Cover Contest:** Calling all artists in Grades 3-6! The Yearbook Cover contest will run from March 2 to March 23 for all students in grades 3-6. All hand drawn submissions must be on an 8.5x11 page with portrait orientation and include the school name, logo and motto. Staff will narrow the submissions down to the top 10 and all students will have an opportunity to vote for the winning cover design. Submissions are due in the office by March 23. [Yearbook Cover Contest Flyer](#)

**Free Parent EQAO Webinar - Spring 2026:** A free live webinar about how EQAO assesses students' writing skills at key stages of their education is being offered to all parents. EQAO staff will discuss writing prompts and questions from the reading component of the primary- and junior-division assessments and from the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test. Participants will hear how these prompts and questions help assess the skills students are learning in class. Staff will also highlight valuable insights and resources that can help parents and guardians support their child's learning. Webinar date:

- March 25, 2026, starting at 12:00 pm. Click [here](#) for registration.

**Parish News:** For parish news/updates please see the bulletin attached. [March 8 Bulletin](#)

**Upcoming Dates:**

- March 9: Hawaiian FUN Day with Free Pizza Slice
- March 10: STREAM Center Trip (Gr. 4 Sauve)
- March 12: Junior Division Movie Trip
- March 12: Board Wide Lenten Mass (1:15 pm)
- March 16-20: March Break
- March 23-27: ShareLife Week
- March 24: Jump Rope for Heart Kick Off Assembly
- March 25: Literacy & Numeracy Day

**Have a great week,**

***F. Rossy***

**Principal**