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# Week of April 29th, 2024

# Interim Director of Education

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#### Pastor(s)

Father John Bertao Father Ravi Babu Kakumanu

# Principal

Mr. A. Modica

# Senior Secretary

Ms. M. Giffney Parsons

Multi-Year
Strategic Plan

With Jesus Christ as our model, we provide all students with a Catholic Fiscal education committed to inclusion, education rooted in equity, well-being and learning.

With Jesus Christ as our model, we provide all students with a Catholic Fiscal education committed to inclusion, excellence and innovation that develops socially responsible global citizens.

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

We hope that our Grade 2 and Grade 7 students enjoyed their Sacramental Luncheon, which took place this week. Thank you to our Catholic School Council volunteers for organizing and hosting the event.

As part of our upcoming Catholic Education Week activities, we will be hosting an **Art Gallery on Thursday, May 9th from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm**. All families are invited to attend.

Please see the newsletter for details on upcoming events at Holy Spirit.

To report student absences and lates, call 1-855-856-7862 or visit go.schoolmessenger.ca

# Our **School Day:**

8:10 - Supervision Begins 8:25 - Classes Begin 9:45-10:00 - AM Recess 11:20-12:20 - Lunch 1:40 - 1:55 -PM Recess 2:55 - End of Day

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. A. Modica Principal

# **CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF FAITH**

#### NATIONAL DAY OF MOURNING

April 28th is the National Day of Mourning, which honours workers across the country whose lives have been lost, who have been injured or disabled on the job, or who suffer from occupational diseases.

Please keep in our thoughts and prayers the families and friends of the workers so affected. To that, we respectfully offer this prayer:

Joseph, by the work of your hands and the sweat of your brow, you supported Jesus and Mary and had the Son of God as your fellow worker.

Teach me to work as you did, with patience and perseverance, for God and for those whom God has given me to support.

Teach me to see in my fellow workers the Christ who desires to be in them, that I may always be charitable and forbearing towards all.

Grant me to look upon work with the eyes of faith so that I shall recognize in it my share in God's creative activity and Christ's work of our redemption and so take pride in it.

When it is pleasant and productive, remind me to give thanks to God for it.

And when it is burdensome, teach me to offer it to God in reparation for my sins and the sins of the world.

#### Amen.

(Source: <a href="https://www.stjosephshrine.org/Prayers-to-St--Joseph-For-Workers">https://www.stjosephshrine.org/Prayers-to-St--Joseph-For-Workers</a>. This prayer was taken from the booklet "Devotions to Saint Joseph" by Brian Moore, S.J., printed and published by the Society of St. Paul.)



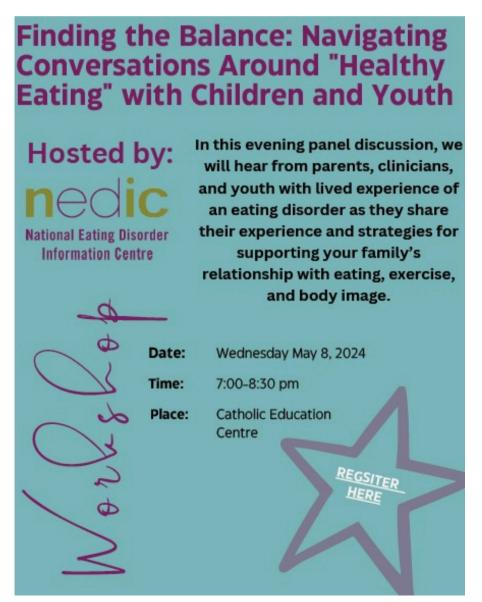
# **Equity, Inclusion & Well-Being**

#### MENTAL HEALTH PRESENTATION REMINDER

The YCDSB Mental Health Team is happy to partner with the National Eating Disorder Information Centre (NEDIC) in providing a parent workshop, "Finding the Balance: Navigating Conversations Around "Healthy Eating" with Children and Youth."

In this evening panel discussion, we will hear from parents, clinicians, and youth with lived experience of an eating disorder as they share their experiences and strategies for supporting your family's relationship with eating, exercise, and body image.

If you are interested in attending, please use this <u>Registration Link</u>. Please note that the presentation will not be recorded.



# **Student Achievement**

#### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS SCHOOL-LEVEL COMPETITION

On Wednesday, April 24th, Holy Spirit held our annual Junior and Intermediate Oral Communications School Level Competition. Class representatives presented their speeches to our audience. We would like to congratulate Taylor R. and Biana M. who will represent Holy Spirit at our Area Finals which will be held on Tuesday, May 14th. Congratulations to all of our speakers for such great presentations.



# **SPRING CONCERT**

During our music classes with Ms. Frijio our Junior students have been preparing a song for our Jr. Spring Concert. An RSVP will go home with students next week.



#### **SAFE & CARING SCHOOL COMMUNITY**

# YORK REGION PUBLIC HEALTH GR.7 & 8 SPRING VACCINATION CLINIC

On Thursday, May 16th, York Region Public Health will hold a free vaccination clinic for students in Grades 7 and 8. Details have been mailed directly to all families who have a student in Grade 7 or 8.

# **WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN**

On Wednesday, May 22nd, 2024 we will be hosting our Welcome To Kindergarten event for families whose children will be beginning JK in 2024.

Information will be emailed to families late next week.



### SPIRIT WEAR IS AVAILABLE

Families can order Spirit Wear!
Please check out our school store to order: Holy Spirit Online Store

Use the cod HIPPO to take advantage of 10% off.



#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Monday, May 6th - Friday, May 10th Catholic Education Week

# Tuesday, May 7th

Catholic School Council Meeting (7:00 pm in our Library)

# Wednesday, May 8th

Catholic Education Week Province-Wide Virtual Mass (12:30 pm)

# Thursday, May 9th

Holy Spirit STREAM/ART Event (6:30 – 7:30 pm)

### Friday, May 10th

Living Rosary (10:00 am)

# Thursday, May 16th

York Region Public Health Vaccination Clinic (Grades 7 & 8)

# Monday, May 20th

Victoria Day (School is Closed)

# Wednesday, May 22nd

Welcome to Kindergarten

