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Dear Parents and Guardians,

What a week this has been! Our second asynchronous learning day, and then Ash Wednesday followed by our delayed celebration of Valentine's Day and the Mission Fair. The children were so excited to share valentines and special treats with their classmates and friends. The overwhelming favorite part of the week was the Mission Fair. I was amazed by the positive energy and enthusiasm of all of the children and volunteers. The students were patiently taking turns, cheering for their friends, enjoying many different games, and making their teachers and principal very proud of them. Many, many thanks to the HSA executive board and the Mission Fair committee for their hours of hard work in the planning and execution of this event. Many thanks also to the volunteers who took time out of their busy schedules to join us in a fun-raiser and a fundraiser to support the missions of our diocese. What a great event!

As you know, MAP testing is in process for all students in grades 1-8. We will complete the testing by next week. If you would like to have a copy of your child's score report, please email Mrs. Tkacenko at vtkacenko@stbartseb.com and she will send a score report to you once the testing window has closed. If you have any questions about the scores, please direct those first to your child's teacher and then if you have additional questions, please direct them to me.

As we begin the Lenten season, all students in grades K-8 attended a prayer service and received ashes. All Religion classes will be discussing Lent and saying special prayers during this time of reflection. Students who have already made the sacrament of Reconciliation will be going to confession during Lent. The fifth grade is hosting a cereal collection for the food pantry. As a school, students will be bringing home Rice Bowls to collect money for the less fortunate. All of these activities are so that we can actively work on the three pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Families are encouraged to attend Lenten Prayer Services and use this time to draw closer to God.

We continue the process of re-enrollment. If you haven't already done so, please return your child's re-registration paperwork. If your family is missing any portion of the paperwork, please make it a priority to get it to the office. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Wishing you a fantastic week,
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*The mission of St. Bartholomew School is to love, educate and inspire
our children to live the teachings of Jesus Christ.*