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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are fully immersed in the Season of Lent. Students and staff members are learning about and living their faith in many ways. Daily religion lessons and weekly Masses help the children to deepen their relationship with Jesus. Service projects and prayer time in classrooms are evident. Don't forget to return your child's Rice Bowl during the week of April 8. Students in grades 2-8 will have the opportunity to participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation with some grades already having done this. Grades 3-7 will go to confession during the school day. Students in grade 8 had the opportunity to go during their final Confirmation preparation event and students in grade 2 will go to confession a few days before their First Holy Communion.

We continue the process of re-enrollment. If you haven't already done so, please return your child's re-registration paperwork. We are 86% re-enrolled and don't want families to lose their spot if the paperwork isn't in order.

An important consideration for parents and teachers in the coming weeks will be the process of creating class lists. We're going to use a similar process this year that we did last year and will allow parents to make requests for an **educational environment** for their children. Please understand that this is a request and not a guarantee. If you feel the need, you may request a learning situation that you feel your child will flourish in. For example, does your child need a structured learning environment, does your child prefer to learn in small groups, does your child do well with a fast-paced teaching style. Does your child do well with a teacher who is soft-spoken or one who is more direct in his or her style? For students that will be in middle school, they will have multiple teachers and several different approaches to teaching. **Please do not request a teacher by name**, as staffing changes. Any and all requests must be addressed to Mrs. Craig, not the classroom teacher, at tcraig@stbartseb.com on or before April 19.

Many classes will be taking field trips in the coming weeks. If you plan to volunteer as a chaperone, please make sure that you have submitted all of the required paperwork. This can take several weeks to complete. The specific information can be found on the school website under "Quick Links" and then "Become a Volunteer".

There are a few dates that you need to be aware of:

- March 15 - Confirmation (early dismissal for 8th grade only)
- March 20 - Spring Used Uniform Sale

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

- March 22 - 6th Grade Class Trip
- March 27 - Early dismissal (**aftercare available until 4pm**)
- March 28- April 7 - Easter Vacation
- April 12 - Family Day (Grade 2)
- April 13 - First Holy Communion
- April 18 - Science Fair/PBL Night
- May 6-10 - Teacher Appreciation Week (details to come)
- May 6 - 22 - Spring MAP Testing

Thank you for your prayers and support.

Wishing you a wonderful week,
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