

# Cougar Courier

Bishop Larkin Catholic School

April 2017



**Happy Easter to all of you!** Welcome back to the final lap of our fourth quarter. I hope our short Easter break was very relaxing and joy-filled for you and family. During this short break we were able to celebrate with the Universal Church the summit of our faith: the suffering, death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Jesus gave us his very body, blood, soul and divinity in the Eucharist for our eternal nourishment. He says “He, who eats my flesh and drinks my blood, has eternal life and I will raise him/her up on the last day.”

In the month of May, we celebrate a very special person, co-redemptorist, Mary the Mother of Jesus. May is the month when Catholics traditionally focus on Mary, the Mother of Jesus. May is seen as the beginning of new life, spring, and the start of summer, which makes this a logical time for the celebrations of Mary, who brought new life, Jesus, into the world. Mary is the way by which we are led to Christ and anyone who encounters Mary cannot help but encounter Jesus. Perhaps the most well-known of the May Marian devotions is the crowning of a statue of Mary with flowers.

**On May 4, 2017, our school community will celebrate May Crowning of our blessed Mother.** The eight and the third graders will play a very special role in crowning Mary. In this ceremony, the Marian statue in front of the school is decorated at its base with flowers and one of the eight grade girls would crown Mary with flowers. We will offer the Virgin Mother our fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration and we believe that we will receive abundance of God's merciful gifts flowing down to us from our Mother's throne. Our heart rejoices at the thought of all the moving tribute of faith and love which will soon be paid to the Queen of Heaven in every corner of the earth. We invite you to come and join us in honoring Mary our Mother and our Queen with prayers, songs and “Flowers of the rarest.”

## **Volunteer Appreciation Mass – April 27<sup>th</sup>**

Parents; your children, faculty and staff invite you to a special mass offered for your intentions. The greatest gift you can give to someone you love is the gift of the Eucharist. This is our way of showing you how much we love you and appreciate your support in every way. Your presence at our school, your countless volunteer hours help make our students successful and our school, the best school in West Pasco. Please come join us as we celebrate you.



## **Intermediate County Science Fair**

Congratulations to our Intermediate County Science Fair Winners!

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Sabrina DeMarco 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Ian Higgins 4<sup>th</sup> place

4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Isabella Corey 1<sup>st</sup> place, Jamila Algerre 2<sup>nd</sup> place

5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Elly Berube 1<sup>st</sup> place, Cierra Huthnance 3<sup>rd</sup> place

## **Service Hours**

Remember that **all service hours and fundraising obligations need to be completed by May 1<sup>st</sup>**. Unmet requirements will be billed the beginning of May. If you have any questions regarding your recorded service hours this year, kindly communicate this to Home and School Secretary, Carrie Martin [caremartin@me.com](mailto:caremartin@me.com) so that you can receive service hour credit. If you neglect to communicate these service hours after May 1<sup>st</sup> your hours will not be accepted.

## **Flapjack Fundraiser**

BLCS is holding its second annual **Flapjack Fundraiser on May 13th** to raise money to finish renovating the school's field. Applebee's, located at 8537 Little Road, in New Port Richey, will be holding the event from 8 AM to 10 AM on Saturday, May 13th. Tickets must be pre-purchased and include pancakes, sausage, coffee, tea or soft drink. The cost is \$6 per adult and \$5 per child. Thank you for supporting the students of Bishop Larkin Catholic School. Please call Lisa Campos 727-459-7331 to purchase your tickets or to make a donation today.

## **Boosterthon Fun Run**

A special thank you to Sara Crosswhite for once again bringing this awesome event to our school. Thanks for the T-Shirts and for working with the Boosterthon team to bring such great fun to our school. A big shout out to ALL parent volunteers. Thank you everyone! It was so exciting and fun to run, dance, and cheer for our students as they were running their laps. Everyone did an awesome job. Oh! It was so much fun and we all enjoyed it. Thank you to all our parents who came out to cheer and all those that pledged to help our school. Thank you to all the faculty and staff for their support. We had a blast!