

## Week of April 13: Did the Resurrection Really Happen?

Easter celebrates the Resurrection of Jesus Christ—a real, historical event that changed the world. As St. Paul boldly states, “If Christ has not been raised, your faith is in vain” (1 Corinthians 15:17).

Some may question if the Resurrection is just a symbol. But the apostles didn’t die for a symbol—they saw, touched, and spoke with the risen Jesus (Luke 24:36–43). Their lives were transformed, and the Church spread despite persecution.

Catholics believe the Resurrection is proof of Jesus’ divinity and the foundation of our hope. It shows us that death is not the end, and that God’s power is greater than sin, suffering, and the grave.

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Dear St. Patrick Catholic School Families,

I hope that you and your families had a joyful and blessed Easter season filled with the peace and hope of the Risen Christ. As we return from Easter break and celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, we are reminded of God’s endless love and mercy for each of us. It is a beautiful time in the life of the Church, and a wonderful opportunity for us to continue growing in faith as a school community.

We are excited to welcome our students back to campus and look forward to a strong finish to the school year. It is hard to believe that we have just 8 weeks remaining! These final weeks are incredibly important as we continue to build on all that has been learned throughout the year—academically, spiritually, and socially.

As we move forward, we encourage our students to stay focused, give their best effort, and continue to live out our Catholic values each day. Let us take inspiration from the message of Divine Mercy by showing kindness, forgiveness, and compassion to one another in our classrooms and beyond.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership in your child’s education. Together, we will make these final weeks meaningful, productive, and filled with grace.

May God bless you and your families abundantly during this Easter season.

God Bless,

Mr. Chris Meyer, School Principal

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**General Information**

1. Help Us Spread the Good News About SPCS! St. Patrick Catholic School is looking for families to help us promote our wonderful school community. We currently have a limited number of yard signs available and are seeking volunteers who would be willing to display one in their front yard to help increase awareness in our neighborhood. In addition, if you own a business or work in a location that permits promotional materials, we have postcards with school information that can be displayed at your front desk or waiting area. If you are able to assist with either of these efforts, please contact the front office. Your support in helping us share the good news about SPCS is greatly appreciated!

2. Please remember that it is each family's responsibility to enter their service hours into their FACTS account. If you are not sure how to do this, please reach out to Ms. Allison in the main office for assistance. **The deadline for entering service hours is Thursday, April 30, 2026.**

3. Please review the attached documentation from Nurse Graham. It pertains to administering prescription and non-prescription medication.

4. Don't forget that yearbooks are on sale! Yearbooks can be purchased through [www.BuyTheYearbook.com](http://www.BuyTheYearbook.com). The yearbook code is 383063. Yearbooks cost \$35. Be sure to purchase one before they are sold out!

5. First Communion classes for 2nd grade students who have signed up to receive the sacrament this spring will begin on **Tuesday, April 14**, at 6:00pm.

6. There are a few upcoming calendar changes we would like to share:

- The middle school Mind, Body and Spirit Retreats will be moving to **April 29** (6th grade), **May 6** (7th grade) and **May 13** (8th grade)
- The Color Run originally scheduled for April 19 will be moved to **May 1** (tentatively).
- The HSA Mother/Son event, which was on the calendar for April 25, will actually be on **April 26** (Sunday).

7. We are looking for assistance during our daily lunch periods. If you are interested in helping out (and earning service hours), please use this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080945AFA829A4F85-62037729-cafeteria> . If you have any questions, please reach out to Ms. Allison at [ahayes@spcsjax.org](mailto:ahayes@spcsjax.org).

8. We will have a prayer service and awards ceremony for our third quarter honor roll, saint award and monthly virtue award winner on **Thursday, April 23** at 8:30am. Parents are invited to attend.

9. Congratulations to our students who have earned honor roll for the third quarter:

- **A/B Honors:** Noah Aronhalt, Wyatt Beasley, Mia Blaine, Urijah Broadwell, Jadon Burlaza, Colton Clark, Cassandra Correal, Julian Darrow, Kaleigh Ernest, Jed Eruemunor, Alice Ferm, Raelynn Hartwell, Julian Mainster, Sofia O'Neal-Trujillo, Jenny Okafor, Semhar Samuel, Kayzel Sanchez Martinez, Colette Tanner, Larrion Cassidy, Julian Echele-Rodriguez, Kamille Ernest, Nathan Essayas, Brian Ferm, Keavy Nguyen, Romeo Nunez, Ella Nunez-Salinas, Lucas Roodt, Chloe Tipper, Austin Williams, Alexander Wisnewski
- **A Honors:** Zoey Carpenter, Alexander Escobar, Amahia Figueroa, Adalind Robinson, Aaron Rodriguez, Corbin Freyoux, Hallie Gray, Tatiana Perez, Lex Wadley, Emma Wetherell
- **Principal's Honors:** Makenna Ford, Kyla Paysinger, Lucia Pearson

10. For those families planning ahead, here are some dates for the 2026-2027 school year:

- Back to School Bonanza--Aug. 6
- First Day of School (Early Dismissal) NO AFTERCARE--Aug. 11
- Labor Day (No School)--Sept. 7
- Early Dismissal Day--Sept. 25
- Professional Development Day (No School)--Oct. 9
- Columbus Day (No School)--Oct. 12
- Early Dismissal Day--Oct. 23
- Veterans' Day--Nov. 11
- Early Dismissal Day (Grandparents Day) NO AFTERCARE--Nov. 20
- Thanksgiving Break Nov. 23-27
- Middle School Exams Dec. 17-22
- Early Dismissal Day NO AFTERCARE--Dec. 22
- Christmas Break--Dec. 23-Jan. 1
- Professional Development Day (No School)--Jan. 4
- Early Dismissal Day--Jan. 15
- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No School)--Jan. 18
- Early Dismissal Day--Feb. 12
- Presidents Day (No School)--Feb. 15
- Professional Development Day (No School)--Mar. 12
- Early Dismissal Day/Field Day NO AFTERCARE--Mar. 24
- Easter Break--Mar. 25-April 2
- Early Dismissal Day--April 29
- Discretionary Day (No School)--April 30
- 8th Grade Final Exams--May 20-24
- 8th Grade Graduation--May 25
- 6th-7th Grade Final Exams--May 25-28
- Last Day of School (Early Dismissal) NO AFTERCARE--May 28

11. Congratulations to our alumni who earned honor roll for the third quarter at Bishop Snyder High School:

- Second Honors: Trenton Ash, Chad Carter, Chase Geisenburg, Nate Lewis, Abigail Van Blaricum

12. Join us for the Second Annual Diocese of St. Augustine FAMILY FEST at the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche in St. Augustine on **Saturday, April 25**. Enjoy a joyful day filled with the sacraments, inflatable games, a petting zoo, kids' zone, teen hut, live entertainment, spiritual talks, and fun for all ages. We are excited to welcome our 2026 speakers, Dr. Andrew and Sarah Swafford! Tickets are \$5 for individuals and \$15 per family. To register or for more information visit [dosafamilyfest.com](https://dosafamilyfest.com).

### Home School Association (HSA) Happenings

1. The HSA is working on finalizing their remaining events for this school year. More information will be coming soon!



## **Week at a Glance**

### **Monday, April 13**

- Welcome Back!
- Softball TBA

### **Tuesday, April 14**

- First Communion Class (2nd Grade) 6:00-7:30pm
- Softball TBA
- Orchestra Rehearsal
- Art Class with Ms. AJ

### **Wednesday, April 15**

- Softball TBA

### **Thursday, April 16**

- Softball TBA

### **Friday, April 17**

- Softball TBA



Information from Nurse Graham:

**A. Administration of Prescription and Non-Prescription Medication**

1. Whenever possible, medication schedules should be arranged so all medication is given at home.
2. **Medication must be delivered to the school by the parent/guardian in the original container and the Medication Administration Authorization form must be signed by the parent/guardian and health care provider (Medical Doctor, Physician Assistant, or Advanced Practice Registered Nurse).**
3. Medication Administration Authorization forms must be completed and signed by parent or guardian and health care provider for **each medication** given and each time **any changes** occur.
4. **The medication label must indicate the student's name, medication name, health care provider's name, dosage, time to administer, and expiration date.**
5. If the medication requires special equipment for administration, the parent must supply the necessary item.
6. All medications to be administered by school personnel shall be **received, counted and stored** in original containers. When a medication dose is given to a student, it **must be recorded**. If dosage is not recorded, it will be assumed that the student did not receive the required dose.
7. When the medication is not in use, it shall be stored in its original container in a secure fashion **under lock and key** in a location designated by the principal.
8. Medication that is not picked up at the end of the school year by the parent or guardian will be destroyed.

**PLEASE NOTE: A new Medication Administration Authorization Form is needed for each school term.**

**B. Self-Carry Medication**

1. Once a Medication Administration Authorization form is completed by the parent,

student and health care provider indicating the need for the student to self-carry a medication is on file at the school, the student may carry the following medication: rescue inhaler, anaphylaxis supplies, diabetic supplies, and pancreatic enzymes.

2. School staff is not responsible for monitoring the administration of self-carry medication.

3. It is the parent or guardian's responsibility to ensure that the student has their medication during the school day and that the medication is properly labeled and not expired.

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