

## From the Principal

Blessings this Holy Week!

As we continue to navigate our new situation in the upcoming weeks, please know our gratitude for all you are doing to support and assist your children and our teachers. We know this is a difficult time – juggling work, teaching your children, having family time, and carrying on with some your regular duties is hard. Adding to the stress for some of our families is a financial burden of a reduction in hours or the loss of a job. We are all praying for all of you. Just do the best you can. We are here to assist you and your children in any way we can. Although we do not see each other as regularly as we are used to or want to – **WE ARE HERE!!**

A reminder that next week, there is a slight change in the school calendar. Monday, April 13th was initially to be a day off of school for Easter Monday. Due to the changing learning dynamic, April 13th will now be a school day and Friday, April 17th will be a “light load” or “catch-up” day for students instead.

Another upcoming change affects mostly just our second grade families. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 crisis and the uncertainty of the calendar, we are postponing First Communion which is currently on the calendar for the weekend of May 2-3. As of this time, we have not rescheduled it, and are waiting to see what happens with the lifting of the “sheltering in place” recommendation and the virus coming to an end. As soon as we have a new date or dates, we will communicate this to our families.

Our 3rd grade students show us their Holy Week projects:



Finally, as we approach this Triduum we know that there is suffering but also great hope in the RESURRECTION. We are so GRATEFUL for you! Remember to join us for Holy Week liturgies (see the schedule to the right) and also take time to have fun and enjoy this time with your family. We are all doing our best and that is enough!

May God continue to bless you.

Ann Laird, Principal

## Holy Week Schedule at SJB

**Holy Thursday, April 9, 7:00 PM**  
Evening Mass of Lord's Supper  
Mass leaflet

**Good Friday, April 10**

**12:00pm / Noon**  
Stations of the Cross

**3:00 PM**  
Solemn Good Friday Liturgy  
Mass leaflet

**7:00 PM**  
Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary

**Holy Saturday, April 11, 10:00AM**  
Holy Saturday Morning Prayer

**Easter Sunday, April 12, 10:30AM**  
Easter Sunday Mass

These times and links may also be found on the St. John's Church website:

[www.stjohnnb.com](http://www.stjohnnb.com)

