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Dear Parents:

Every day we hear a list of things we *can't do*, including: assemble for Holy Mass, attend school together, gather with friends, visit people in the hospital or long term care and more, it can feel defeating. I challenge you to look beyond that list and create a list of things we *can* do including: slow down, spend more time with your spouse and children, pray, play games or take walks and more. It's sometimes becomes overwhelming to listen to the worlds *can't do* list ...I challenge you to focus on what God tells us we *can do*. Spend time looking for and recognizing Jesus each day, whether it be in each other, a welcomed phone call, a piece of mail; a child's laugh, an answered prayer. So appreciate the day, be grateful and be hopeful.

"So don't worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring its own worries. Today's trouble is enough for today. Matthew 6:34

CALENDAR ADJUSTMENTS:

I met with Father Emmanuel and we have modified the calendar for the remainder of the year as follows:

- Last day for students and **FINAL** drop of day: **Friday, May 22** (times to be determined)
- Pick up/drop off dates will still be: **April 28, May 5, and May 12 -** 3:00 5:30
 - o No pick up on May 19, the May 12 packet will be planned through May 22
- Graduation day for grade 8 and their final drop off day will be determined soon (see enclosed survey) time and facilitation to be determined.

GOOD BYE AND WELCOME:

We thank Mrs. Cindy Retzloff for over 34 years of service to Assumption Catholic School, and when the "Safe at Home" mandate is lifted, we will give her a proper celebration.

We welcome to our Assumption family Mrs. Taylor Wayne as our new 6th grade homeroom teacher. Taylor is a member of Holy Rosary Parish and graduate of Assumption Catholic School. She is a



member of Holy Rosary Parish and graduate of Assumption Catholic School. She is a graduate of UW Eau Claire with a degree in English Literature. She is a familiar face at school as she has shared her talents as a Resource Teacher, Substitute Teacher, Religious Education Teacher and most recently assisting in Noah's Ark preschool. We are excited to have her join us.

GRADUATION PREPARATION:

Enclosed is a brief survey for our 8th grade parents asking for feedback on how to best honor our graduates. Please take time to fill it out and return it next week in your packets. Although we are unsure what Graduation will look like this year, we are working hard to make it memorable.

HOME AND SCHOOL:

Good news! There is now an opportunity to **Pledge Online for Our Annual Walk For Virtues** scheduled for **May 15**th. Begin by going to www.CatholicTriParish.org/online-giving.html. A Walk for Virtues fund has been added to the online giving portals at all three parishes. The fund description says: "Assumption Catholic School Walk for Virtues fundraiser. Please add the name of the child/family you are supporting **under special intentions**." Some of you have already returned your pledge money and forms, thank you. Please let your donors know of the online option and remember all forms of Pledges are due May 11th.

OPEN ENROLLMENT:

For students <u>outside</u> of the Durand School District who would like to enter our Noah's Ark 4K program, or will be graduating from 8th grade at Assumption and plan to attend the Durand High School, please apply online directly from DPI's open enrollment website at https://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment
The online application will be available until 4:00 p.m. through Tuesday, April 30, 2020
Contact our school office at 715-672-5617 for more information

REGISTRATION:

We are continuing our enrollment process and coming up with creative ways to reach out to new families in lieu of possibly not having our Open House. Please help us by returning your verification/enrollment form and by **recruiting.** Please encourage all interested to call, although we are not in each day, we do check our phones and email regularly.

PLEASE PRAY: Prayer for Healing of Coronavirus/COVID19

Lord Jesus Christ, our Divine Physician, we ask you to guard and protect us from Corona virus COVID - 19 and all serious illness. For all that have died from it, have mercy; for those that are ill now, bring healing. For those searching for a remedy, enlighten them, for medical caregivers helping the sick, strengthen and shield them. For those working to contain the spread, grant them success, for those afraid, grant peace. May your precious blood be our defense and salvation. By your grace, may you turn the evil of disease in to moments of consolation and hope. May we always fear the contagion of sin more than any illness. We abandon ourselves to your mercy. Amen.

NEXT FAMILY ENVELOPE: MAY 5

With Blessings of Peace and Joy;
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