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Dear Parents and Guardians,

"The Lord answered Moses, 'Strike the rock, and water will flow from it for the people to drink.'" (Exodus 17:3-7)

Reflection taken from *Magnificat*:

Jewish and Christian traditions of spirituality speak of the Word of God as the living water whereby the spirit is cleansed and refreshed. A quick sip - an occasional prayer snatched from the jaws of a relentlessly busy world - is better than no water at all, but roots that grow deep draw the water of life by frequent prayer. This living water produces a healthy tree that gives fruit to all who come.

Ask the Lord for living water, that we might never thirst,
Ms. Danielle Gonzalez

Important Reminders:

RE-REGISTRATION:

Paperwork was sent home for Re-registration. It is always best to take care of this as soon as possible to insure enrollment for next year. The re-registration fee is \$150 per child. After March 31, 2017, the fee becomes \$200 per child.

TUITION ASSISTANCE:

2017/2018 Application for Tuition Assistance open January 17, 2017. To apply go to www.futuresineducation.org, click on "SCHOLARSHIPS" and then click on "APPLY". Families who received awards last academic year must apply by March 31, 2017. New families must apply by April 21, 2017. ALL families are encouraged to apply for tuition assistance! If you need assistance applying, Sr. Marie Lenihan will work with you. Please contact Mrs. Aya, the Financial Secretary, to set up an appointment with Sr. Marie.

A Look at the Week:

Monday, March 20th - Second STEM (Science Technology Engineering Mathematics) Coaching Day in the classrooms.

Tuesday, March 21st - 10:00 AM Penance Service for Grades 4-8.

Thursday, March 23rd - AdvancEd Accreditation Visit

(To find out more about accreditation, please see Ms. Gonzalez or visit <http://www.advanced.org/services/accreditation>)

Accreditation - Education institutions often have unique and varied priorities when it comes to engaging in a true, verifiable, third-party assessment of their quality. AdvancED has developed quality standards and processes that meet the unique requirements for public and private schools and systems.

- 8:00 AM Stakeholder Interviews (Selected Parents, Board, and Community members will be interviewed).
- 10:00 AM-2:15 PM Classroom Observations
- 3:00 PM Faculty and Staff Interviews

Friday, March 24th - Accreditation Visit

- 8:00 AM-10:00 AM Classroom visits
- 3:15 PM Exit Report
- 6:30 PM SFA-PTA BINGO Night

Saturday, March 25th - 2:30-6:00 PM Confirmation Large Group Meeting in the Parish Center

Next Week:

March 28th-30th - NYS ELA Test for Grades 4, 6, and 8.

Friday, March 31st

- Spring Pictures. Student should dress in "Sunday best" spring colors.

- Last day for families to Re-Registrar with registration fee of \$150 per student. After today, the Re-registration fee becomes \$200 per student