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From the Headmaster



Long-time Lumen Christi families who remember Sister Tessy Mary will enjoy the article from a newspaper in India included in today's Friday folder. If you did not have the pleasure of getting to know Sister Tessy when she

was in our school, the story of her correspondence with the Queen of England will give you an idea of her lively spirit!

As we enter Holy Week, most of the notes today are about opportunities for almsgiving, Christian service, and worship.

Tenebrae Service on Holy Thursday

Next Thursday, Holy Thursday, there will be no 7:30 am Mass. Instead, at that time we will have a Tenebrae Service. Many of you will remember this service from the last couple of years with the candles and reading of psalms, ending with the banging of books. Parents are welcome to join us for the Tenebrae Service.

Missionary Childhood Association Collection

Students who have been filling boxes of coins for the Missionary Childhood Association throughout Lent are asked to return the boxes during Holy Week so that we can turn in our school contribution after Easter. Thanks to all our students who have been sharing their spending money during Lent with other children who are in need.

Prayer and Cookies for Prison Inmates

As some of you may recall, I'm involved in Kairos Prison Ministry at the state prison in Plainfield, and in the past Lumen Christi students and families have supported our twice-a-year weekend retreats at the prison with prayer and cookies. The next retreat is April 5-8. A flyer in today's Friday Folder has details. Thanks for your support for the inmates and the Kairos team.

Holy Trinity Food Pantry Collection

We're entering the last week of our collection for St. Anthony-Holy Trinity Food Pantry. Here is this week's message from Connie Merkel:

As we prepare for Holy Week we ask that you keep the pantry in your prayers. We often share with our guests that all of the items in the pantry are donated and without those donations we would not be able to serve our families in need. We ask the families to pray for the pantry, for those who donate and for the volunteers so that we can continue to be good stewards of the many blessings we have received.

Thank you again for the many wonderful donations during Lent. They have really helped us to fill the shelves with things that our families use. The hygiene items you collected were a welcome surprise for the folks who came to the pantry so we'd like to ask again that you donate items such as **shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, body wash, shaving cream and disposable razors** this week.

As we look forward to Easter, the day that Christ rose from the dead, defeated darkness and bathed the world in resurrection light, may we always live to praise Him. Happy Easter!

The 7th and 8th grade classes worked at the Holy Trinity Food Pantry on Monday – see our Facebook page for some photos.