



Resurrection Catholic Elementary School



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MAY 2024

Principal's Message

The beginning of May marks the beginning of Catholic Education week. Students and staff across the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board will be celebrating Catholic Education Week and Mental Health Week. This year's theme is "We Are Called To Love". Our staff at Resurrection have been planning many fun, informative, interactive activities with resources from Student Mental Health Ontario that help promote well-being. Information and activities are designed to promote the well-being of ALL, including students, staff, and families. As always, we are all grateful for your continued support and for choosing Catholic Education for your child.



Catholic Education Week: May 5—10

This year's Catholic Education Week theme is, "**We are called to love**"

There are five sub-themes for each day of Catholic Education Week:

- Day 1: As people of hope
- Day 2: As people of faith
- Day 3: As people of mercy
- Day 4: As people of justice
- Day 5: As people of joy



Catholic Education Week comes at the same time as Mental Health Awareness Week. Through love and compassion, we continue to support each other's wellbeing. God is love and we are always called to live out this love. Catholic Education Week is marked by special activities at all grade levels, including prayer celebrations and service activities.

On Friday we are having a closing liturgy at 9 am, followed by a Faith Fair. Parents are welcome to attend both events to share in the celebration of this week with their children.

Mental Health Awareness Week—May 6—10

This year's theme is Compassion Connects. We all have the capacity to be compassionate, and we know that doing so can make an enormous difference. This year's Mental Health Week is centered on the healing power of compassion. In a world plagued by suffering, we emphasize that kindness is equally intrinsic to our humanity. Click on the link below for a calendar to join some of the events from May 6 to 12, 2024 to explore how compassion connects us all.



[2024 MHW Calendar and Flyers.pdf](#)

Catholic Student Leadership Award



Congratulations to Eliana D., who is the recipient of the Catholic Leadership Award for Resurrection School for the 2024-2025 school year. Eliana shares her God given talents in all that she does. She certainly brings joy and nurtures hope as she shares her friendly, kind and gentle spirit with all who she encounters each day. Eliana will accept her award on May 6th at St. John's College along with other recipients from across the board. Congratulations to Eliana. You exemplify our Catholic values and are an inspiration for others!

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Parish Information



St. Pius X Parish Community
9 Waverly Street, Brantford
Pastor: Father Stephen Morrin
Youth Minister: Andrew Beach
519.753.8439
www.stpius.ca



School Bell Times

First Bell.....	8:45 am
First Break	10:25 am to 10:45 am
Lunch Break	12:45 pm to 1:05 pm
Dismissal Bell	3:05 pm

Absent/Late Students



If your child will be absent or late for school please call the office at **519.752.5900** (24 hour voicemail)

Resurrection Website

www.resurrectionbrantford.ca
There are many items you can find on the Resurrection website including:
School Newsletters & Calendars
Information on Events
School Bell Times



Board Website
www.bhncdsb.ca



Please view the Board's website for important information. The website includes calendars, Board policies and much other useful information.

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Congratulations to Grade 2 Communicants

Many of our grade 2's celebrated their Holy Communion on May 5th at St. Pius X Parish. May God bless you as you receive Eucharist on your First Holy Communion! May the love of Jesus shine in your heart now and forever.



JK Orientation—May 29th



Our newest Resurrection Rams, who will be starting in September, have been invited for JK Orientation on Wednesday, May 29th at 9:30 am. Invitations have been emailed out, so please make sure you RSVP to either Mrs. Milson (smilson@bhncdsb.ca) or Mrs. Murphy (amurphy@bhncdsb.ca).

Bike Safety

In preparation for our annual Bike to School week (June 3—7), please make sure your child/children are prepared by having the proper equipment. By law, cyclists under the age of 18 must wear an approved bicycle helmet. For children age 16 and under, a parent or guardian must make sure they wear a helmet. Bicycle helmets save lives and prevent injuries. Using the safety gear is considered the single most effective way to prevent head and brain injuries if you should somehow tumble off your two-wheeler. Students do not require a bike lock, however, it is recommended to lock your bike while at school.



Reminders: Indoor Shoes/Extra Clothes/Dress for the Weather

During the spring weather, there is a lot of rain which makes our playground very muddy. Students are reminded to have indoor shoes to change into so the mud does not get tracked into the school and on the carpets. It is also a good idea for students in the primary and junior grades to have an extra set of pants and socks as mud splashes and slips can happen. Parents are also reminded to check the weather forecast each day. Mornings are still chilly, so students should wear layers so they can be prepared for cool mornings and warm afternoons.



St. Pius X News

Staffing Changes

As many of you have heard over the past few months, there are some substantial staffing changes happening at St Pius right now. Andrew Beach, who has been with the Parish since December of 2011, moved from full-time to part-time work in October. He has accepted a new job in London, Ontario, and will be moving to a new house much closer to his new job at the end of the month. His final day of work will be May 29th.

There will be a potluck lunch following the 11:00am Mass on Sunday, June 2nd to bid him farewell. All are welcome to participate and wish him the best in his new adventures.

Fr Steve Murrin, our Pastor since 2022, has also been asked by Bishop Crosby to move to a new Parish this summer. On June 26th he will be moving to Our Lady of Lourdes in Kitchener. We look forward to welcoming Fr Rafal Tomon as our new Pastor starting this summer.

First Reconciliation/First Communion & Confirmation Dates

With the arrival of a new Pastor, we are unable to release sacramental preparation dates for the next school year at this time. Fr Tomon will need some time to settle in, and we hope to distribute information on our sacramental preparation timelines in the fall via our bulletin, website, social media, and through the schools. Stay tuned for the schedule this fall!

Vacation Bible School on Hiatus This Summer

Over the past 15 years, St Pius has been thrilled to offer a wonderful summer camp experience for young children and leadership opportunities for older elementary aged children and high school students. Unfortunately, with all the staffing changes it was deemed impossible to run a camp this year. We hope that this very popular camp will return in the summer of 2025!

A Mother's Day Prayer

We thank you for the love of mothers you have given us,
Whose love is so precious that it can never be measured,
Whose patience seems to have no end.
May we see your loving hand behind them and guiding them.
We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love, or time or patience.
We ask you to bless them with your own special love.
We ask this in your name Jesus, our brother.
Amen



Resurrection School



May 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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			1 Day 3	2 Day 4	3 Day 5	4
				Lil Louie's Lunch 	Bids & Bites Fundraiser at 6 pm 	
5 	6 Day 1 Faith Play Day Catholic Student Leadership Awards at SJC 7:00 pm	7 Day 2 Gr. 5/6 Field Trip Pizza lunch	8 Day 3 Walk & Roll Day (walk/bike to school) Electrical Safety & Conservation Presentation	9 Day 4 Marian Liturgy at St. Pius Pace's Pasta lunch	10 Day 5 Closing Liturgy 9 am Faith Fair	11
12 	13 Day 1	14 Day 2 Pizza lunch	15 Day 3	16 Day 4 Grade 4/5 trip to Water Festival Subway lunch	17 Day 5 Grade 7/8 Year End Trip PJ Day	18
19	20 	21 Day 1 Pizza lunch	22 Day 2	23 Day 3 La Bottega Lunch 	24 Day 4 Spirit Wear Day 	25
26	27 Day 5	28 Day 1 Pizza lunch	29 Day 2 JK Orientation 9:30 am 	30 Day 3 Lil Louie's Lunch 	31 Day 4 Month End Assembly at 1:45 pm 	

Reminder:
Hot Lunch orders & Field Trip payments can only be purchased on School Cash Online.

