

February 6, 2020

## ST. MICHAEL ACADEMY STAFF, PARENTS AND STUDENTS

Do not fret, Spring is right around the corner.

This past weekend, First Communion classes began and will run until the end of May. Children will receive First Communion with their families at the 11:00am Sunday Mass on June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

First Reconciliation will be celebrated on Saturday, March 7.

Preparation classes for students in Grade 7 and above who registered for Confirmation are in progress and will run until May. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at 3pm on Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup>.

Ash Wednesday is on February 26<sup>th</sup>, and ashes will be distributed to all staff and students at a special Liturgical Celebration at 10:30am at Good Shepherd. Ashes will also be distributed at the Masses at 8:30am and 7:00pm.

During this period of Lenten preparation there can be much value in patiently waiting to see the grace of God appearing in our lives. This time of preparation is a time to prepare our interior lives and reflect on those aspects of our lives we often forget, given our busy schedules.

I wish to remind everyone, especially those preparing for the reception of the Sacraments, about the importance of attending Mass on a regular basis.

Peace and many blessings,

Fr. Anthony