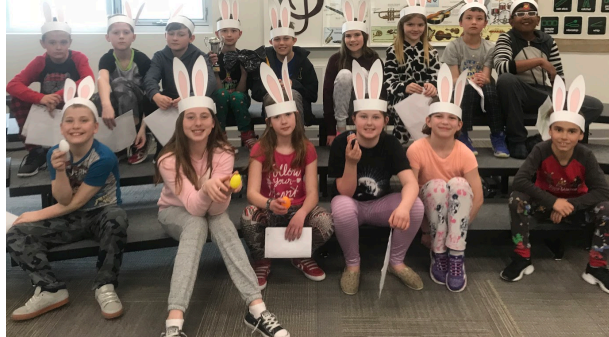
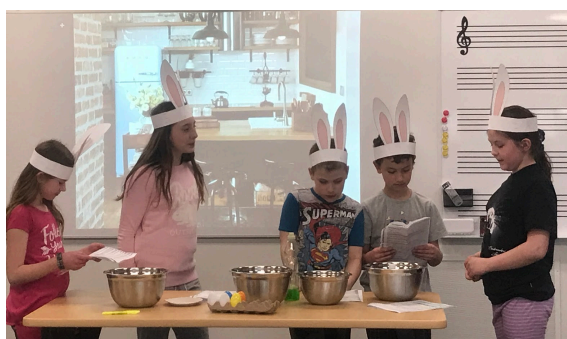


Students at SAA in grades 4 - 6 were challenged to take care of an egg for the whole school day. The eggs went everywhere and most survived this "eggcellent" event. We also welcomed a few new Knights to SAA.



The 45'ers presented an Easter Readers Theatre to our Gr. 1's and Sigis students.





Students on the SAA Badminton team have their final practice before the SAPEC singles and doubles tournaments. Go Knights Go!



**School News** - Take a look at what's coming up next week! April 29, 30 and May 1 - 3

<b>Monday (29)</b>	<b>Emergency Drill Practice</b> - Shelter-in-Place - AM
<b>Tuesday (30)</b>	<b>Emergency Drill Practice</b> - Evacuation(Fire) Drill - AM Gr. 6 Field Trip to Aikido - AM
<b>Wednesday (1)</b>	
<b>Thursday (2)</b>	<b>Please have your child wear SAA Spirit Wear and/or blue and green on this day</b> <b>K-1 Swimming Lesson at Fountain Park Pool</b>
<b>Friday (3)</b>	

#### **PD/Staff Meeting Day - No School All**

A reminder that there are no classes for all students on Friday, April 26 so that staff can have their monthly Professional Development/Staff Meeting day. Staff from SAA will be participating in District Wide PD opportunities during the morning and then have our regular staff meeting in the afternoon.

#### **Education Week - April 30 - May 3**

Education week is a great opportunity to celebrate the important role that schools play in our communities. We are thankful that we live in a country where children have the opportunity to attend a public school. Teachers, parents and students all contribute to an education system that is known world-wide. The three year theme 2017-2019 is " Learning is a Journey". It highlights the fact that we never stop learning and we all learn in different ways.



### **JARS Needed**

If you have any extra Mason jars, or know someone who wants to get rid of jars, please send them to school with your child. We have many beautiful beads that were donated to SAA. We will be using the beads to make finger/bracelet rosaries at beginning of May and need to sort our new bead collection.

### **Ordering Class Pictures**

Class pictures should be available online by Monday, April 29. Visit [iconexp.com](http://iconexp.com) and enter the online proof code: sisteralphonse19. **Pictures that are ordered before May 5, 2019 will be delivered free to the school.** Late orders will be shipped to your home at a cost of \$4.95. For more information click on the [Order Information Link](#). Information for individual orders for new students or fall portraits are provided at the site.

### **SAA Student Support Fund - Another Way to Help**

Often we have parents ask how they can help at the school. We are always pleased to have parent volunteers and we appreciate their help. Sometimes parents may not be able to help out at school as a volunteer and then ask if there is any other way they can support the school and/or our students. Another way a parent could support our school is via a monetary donation to a Student Support Fund that will be created at SAA. This fund would be used to support students whose families may be under some financial constraints at this time. The Student Support fund could be used to purchase clothing, hygiene items or school supplies. It could also be used to support payment for field trips or special lunches within the school. If this is something that you too might be interested in supporting please call the school and ask for Mrs. Despins. Donations can be kept confidential. Thank you for your support. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call and speak to Mr. Lamer or Mrs. Kleparchuk.

### **2019/20 School Day Times**

Please be advised that our District has made some slight adjustments to start and end times for GSACRD schools including Sister Alphonse Academy.

#### **Gr. 1 - 9**

Entry Bell - 8:15 am  
Instruction Begins - 8:25 am  
Dismissal - 2:58 pm  
Busses Depart - 3:08 pm

#### **AM Kindergarten**

Entry Bell - 8:15 am  
Dismissal - 11:10 am

#### **PM Kindergarten(pending enrolment)**

Entry Bell - 12:03  
Dismissal - 2:58 pm

### **Student Assemblies**

Please be advised that Mr. Lamer and Mrs. Kleparchuk will be running Div. 1 and Div 3/4 assemblies throughout the rest of April and May. These assemblies will be devoted to health, wellness and student safety as well as have a faith aspect woven through all the assemblies. Each grade level will have three from now to the end of the school year. The first assembly for Division 1 students occurred on Tuesday and the theme was the Easter message. Next week the grade 4 - 7 students will be looking at bullying from a Christian perspective.

### **Legacy Project**

Students from Sister Alphonse Academy will have the opportunity to work with local artist Lewis Lavoie painting tiles for the outside mural that will honor the legacy of Sister Alphonse, St. Albert's first teacher and namesake of our school. Students will begin painting tiles on the week of May 6 - 10. Parents, older/younger siblings of children at SAA and community members will have an opportunity to participate on the evenings of May 8 and 9. Stay tuned for more information about our Legacy Project!

### **Emergency Procedures Drills**

Next week we will have our students and staff participate in an Emergency Evacuation and Shelter-in-Place Drill. As is our procedure, all students will be notified of the drill first thing in the morning. We were pleased to have a representative of Hour Zero walk through our school and confirm our procedures and evacuation locations that have been created for our school a couple of weeks ago.

### **Skills Canada Field Trip**

All students in grade four to seven from SAA will have an opportunity to take part in the Skills Canada Field-Trip. Please look for the parent consent form in your child's backpack on Monday after school. The great thing is this opportunity is free and we receive a \$200 travel subsidy. Students will be bussed to and from the Northlands Agricom for the event. Please return signed parent consent form by Monday, May 6, 2019 so your child can participate in this great opportunity. We plan to take our students on Thursday, May 9.



Skills Canada Alberta invites all schools and youth groups to explore the Provincial Skills Canada Competition (PSCC) and Skill City, Alberta's largest and most interactive career exploration experience on May 8 & 9, 2019! The field trips begin with visiting [LAUNCH PAD](#), which in just 5 minutes transports students into a world of discovery. Students are encouraged to be curious and adventurous as they explore Skill City and the PSCC. Students can then explore the competition floor to watch our [CENTRE STAGE](#) presentations, try their hands at the interactive [Try-A-Trades®](#) and [Try-A-Skills](#) hosted by industry experts for career exploration, or cheer on some of the 700+ high school and post-secondary students competing in one of the 46 different trade and technology areas.

### **Staples - School Tools**

Check your child's backpack on Monday to find out more information about the School Tools program. This program allows a parent to order all their child's supplies for the 2019/20 school year and have them delivered to Sister Alphonse Academy a day or two before the start of the school year. Many of our parents utilized this service last year so we partnered with Staples to provide this opportunity for parents again. We will post details regarding the program on our school website in the near future.

### **St. Albert Parish News**

#### **Honouring Mary and our Mothers**

The weekend of May 11 and 12, you are invited to join us half an hour before Mass as we pray the Rosary together. You are also invited, before or after Mass, to light a candle in honour of Mary, your mother, grandmothers and other special women in your life.

#### **Confirmation**

On Saturday, May 4 at 9:30am, more than 50 young candidates will be welcomed with the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep the candidates, their sponsors and their families in your prayers as they continue to journey with Christ empowered by the Holy Spirit. We require greeters, ushers and Eucharistic ministers for this celebration. If you are able to serve, please contact the parish office. Following the Confirmation Mass there will be a Champagne Brunch in the parish hall for the candidates and family members.

#### **Celebrations of First Holy Communion**

During the Easter season, almost 100 children, who have been preparing with their parents and catechists, will be celebrating their First Holy Communion. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they receive the wonderful gift of the Eucharist. Children from Bertha Kennedy and Sister Alphonse schools will be celebrating on Sat., May 4 at 5pm. Children from Albert Lacombe and J.J. Nearing will be celebrating on Sunday, June 2 at 11:00 am Mass. Children from École Fr. Jan and all other children will be celebrating on Sunday, June 11 am.

#### **Blue Sunday Mass**

You are invited to a special Mass on Sunday, May 5 at 11:00 am. At this Mass we will recognize women and men serving in protective roles. If you are a member of the Police Service, Firefighters, Military, Correction Officers, Peace Officers or EMS, please attend this special Mass where you will be honoured. Please invite colleagues and past members of these services to attend this special Mass. You are welcome to attend in uniform or in civilian clothing. Following the Mass, our special guests and their families will be invited to join in our monthly Pancake Breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

#### **Congratulations to Our High School Graduates**

Congratulations to those who finished grade 12 this school year. Your perseverance and dedication to your studies are qualities that will serve you well as you venture into adulthood. May God guide and direct you in your future endeavors as you trust him with all your heart.

#### **Parish Country Fair**

Following the outdoor 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, June 2 at the Grotto, you are invited to come and join in our annual Parish Country Fair Festivities: there will be delicious food, bouncy castles, pony rides, pinatas, face painters and a balloon artist and so much more! Make sure you save the date!

#### **Reminder: Children's Mass**

SAP will celebrate a children's mass at the 11:00 am mass on the second Tuesday of every month. The next children's mass is Sunday, May 12.

Click on the [SAP Parish Link](#) to access the weekly bulletin for St. Albert Catholic Parish.

### **Holy Family Parish News**

#### **Wild Goose Series**

Discovering a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit will be offered every Thursday in May: May 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th at 7:00—8:30 pm in the parish hall. Please join us. Available on Formed.

Click on the [HF Parish Link](#) to access the weekly bulletin for Holy Family Parish

