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Dear Families,

With Holy Week now upon us, I would like to have you join us **on Thursday at 9:00 am in the Main Church** as the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders re-enact the Last Supper. This is always a meaningful way to start off the Easter Triduum and to be reminded of the key events in the last days of Jesus' life here on earth. Every time we see the cross this week (and always) may we thank Jesus for the ultimate sacrifice that He made for us and the promise of eternal life.

**Easter Break** - During the Easter Break, the school office will be open on **Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 to 1:00**. Please stop by to purchase scrip, make tuition payments or drop off those leftover yummy chocolate Easter eggs!

**Scrip** – Enclosed in this packet you will find your **Scrip Tuition Credit Statement**. Please sign and return this green form by **Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**. Many families earned more than two months of tuition and one family earned over four months tuition credit. We have given away over **\$23,000** in tuition credit. This is such an easy way to keep your tuition cost down. Please consider trying the Scrip Program if you haven't already. If you need a Savemart/FoodMaxx SHARES Card, please call the school office. The savings add up fast! If you have any questions regarding our Scrip Program, please call **Mrs. Sandy Cetti** in the school office. And don't forget to help out the Easter bunny by buying SCRIP. It works great in Easter baskets and one size fits all! Also, it doesn't give you cavities! If you are looking to make your holiday meal easier, consider using SCRIP from **Honeybaked Ham, Marie Callender's, Catalano's, Savemart/Foodmaxx, Mimi's Café, See's Candy, etc.** We also have great restaurants for those who would rather go out for Easter: **Cheesecake Factory, Fleming's, Outback Steakhouse, P.F. Chang's** and many more. We have a great variety of stores to choose from. You may download a SCRIP ORDER Form from the school website and fax it in or come by the school office. Orders for anything other than in stock items need to be in the office by 9:00 on Wednesdays and will be ready for pick up on Mondays. Your SCRIP purchases not only help with your tuition for next year but it also helps the school. Thank you for your continued support of the SCRIP program!

**Tuition/Parent Participation Hours** – A reminder that school policy requires tuition to be current in order to register for the 2007-08 school year. If your tuition is not current, your registration fee will be applied to your tuition for the 2006-07 school year. **If you are not returning to St. Anthony's**, would you kindly notify the school office **ASAP** as we have many siblings waiting to get in to the school. **Registration forms will be included in the May 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday packet and will be due on Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. If your registration form and payment are not in by May 4<sup>th</sup>, a late fee of \$50 will be assessed. In addition, all parent participation hours are due on April 20<sup>th</sup>.** Please take time to update your record of hours in our Parent Participation Hours binder located in our school office. We now ask parents to record their own hours. **Any hours not completed will be billed at the rate of \$10 per hour.**

**Consideration for Class Placement** – One of our top priorities at St. Anthony's School is creating balanced classes for the beginning of each new school year. As you can imagine, this can be a very difficult task. Each year, our teachers spend hours of meeting time professionally evaluating the academic performance, style of teaching needed, social development and behavior, leadership abilities, friendships and ratio of boys and girls. These items are the basis for the placement of your child. If you feel that you have any items for your teachers to consider above and beyond those mentioned above, please request the Consideration for Placement Form from our school office. **All forms not returned, by Thursday, April 19, 2007 will not be considered.** In fairness to all students, parents, and teachers, requests for specific teachers will not be accepted. Thank you.

**Kindergarten Class 2007-08** – Please note that the two upcoming all day kindergarten classes will be posted the 1<sup>st</sup> week in August with all of the other 2007-08 classes.

**Library Books** – Please remember to return all library books by **Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**. Mrs. Polacek would like to inventory the books and have everything in order for when we return from our Easter vacation.

**SAINTS Diaper Drive** – The SAINTS would like to thank everyone who participated in their annual diaper drive. So far they have collected a total of **4,634 diapers!** In 6<sup>th</sup> place with 312 diapers is 2G; 5<sup>th</sup> place with 376 diapers is K3; 4<sup>th</sup> place with 560 diapers is 6G; 3<sup>rd</sup> place is 5H with 602; 2<sup>nd</sup> place is 6S with 676 diapers; and in 1<sup>st</sup> place with 714 diapers is 3V! PLEASE keep bringing in those diapers. We have until tomorrow. Let's see how many diapers we can provide for the Holy Cross Center for Women.

**Little SAINTS Flowers** – This **Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**, is the last chance to purchase your Grandparent or VIP a long stemmed flower for Grandparents/VIP Day coming up on **Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>**. Please see the enclosed flier for details.

**Classroom Happenings** – **Mrs. Peerson's 4<sup>th</sup> graders** are doing a Rice Bowl Challenge which means that each student is keeping a log of jobs they have performed and for which they have earned money, and they will donate those funds to the "**Rice Bowl**" project sponsored by the Student Government. *Mrs. Peerson will match the highest dollar amount brought in by the top earning student in her class!* Also, this lucky class just came back from a great time at "High School Musical" put on by Children's Musical Theater (CMT). They were able to see St. Anthony Alumni **Sami Pistoresi**---what a treat!

**Congratulations** - I'd like to congratulate Mary Smith for placing 1<sup>st</sup> and Genevieve Johnson for placing 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Fresno County Science, Engineering and Math Fair. Mary will now represent St. Anthony's and the entire county at the State Science Fair. Congratulations girls on such a tremendous accomplishment!

**St. Anthony Alumnus** – It's always so nice to see our former students doing so well after they leave us. I would like to congratulate **Sean Ray ('03) and Megan Blanchard ('03)** for making the Fresno Bee's All Valley Second Team. They both play soccer at SJM. Sean is a midfielder and Megan is a defender/goalkeeper. Congratulations to these wonderful athletes and students!

I would like to express how much St. Anthony's School means to me and how happy I am that Msgr. John has asked me to stay on as part-time Vice Principal along with Mr. Neumeier for the next school year. When the new principal is hired and comes on board, we all hope to make this transition as smooth as possible.

Now that we are almost at the end of Lent, I know how committed the students were to their Lenten promises. Hopefully, this may have brought them closer to Jesus by helping them to understand the suffering He went through. *"God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may have eternal life."* As we enter Holy Week, I hope that you will enjoy your Easter and the three holiest days of the year with your families and we will see you back on **Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Shawn Carey  
Principal