



## The Principal's Spotlight

Saint Anne School – Fair Lawn, NJ  
April 2018

*"Christ our Light! Thanks be to God!"* On the evening of Holy Saturday, at the great Easter vigil celebration, when the whole church is dark, the deacon or priest will raise high the Paschal Candle, lit by new fire, and he will loudly proclaim these words three times. Each time, the congregation will light their candles from the Paschal Candle from the back of the church to the front. Gradually the darkened church grows brighter in candle light until it is ablaze with that soft, warm glow. If you have ever participated in the Easter Vigil and have witnessed this ceremony at the beginning of the mass, it is very dramatic. You cannot help but be impressed with the significance: Christ, so recently crucified and buried, has risen from the darkness of the tomb and is returning in bright glory. Darkness gives way to light. Humiliation gives way to splendor. By virtue of our baptism into God's family, we can claim this same fate. Christ has done it first to show us what awaits us: victory, triumph. As Easter dawns, may we know the warmth of Christ's nearness, his embracing love and his comforting peace. Happy Easter! Alleluia!

Easter is coming, but let's not forget the graces of Holy Week. Our parish offers many opportunities to immerse ourselves in the events that lead to our salvation. Holy Thursday commemorates the institution of the Eucharist. Good Friday recalls the depth of Jesus' love in His passion and death. Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday celebrate the wonder of Christ raised from the dead. Each day offers its own graces for those who make themselves available to attend the services. Don't miss out!

Our school will close for the Easter vacation at 12:15 P.M. on March 29. Classes will resume on April 9.

Third trimester progress reports will be sent home on April 18 to grades K-3.

Tuition collection ends this month. Please make sure your tuition is paid in full! We cannot meet our financial obligations when tuitions are delinquent. Your faithfulness to your financial obligation is appreciated.

**Happy Easter!**

**"He is not here;  
he has risen!"**



L u k e 2 4 : 6

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