



Saint Anthony's High School

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Dear Saint Anthony's High School Family,

Welcome to March! It is a good thing that March has Thirty-One Days since there are so many events that fill the month. If it were possible, I think we could add 5 additional days and we would still need more time. So, here is your guide to a glimpse of the Month of March:

Spirituality:

March ushers in the Season of **LENT**. A time filled with Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. Here at Saint Anthony's we begin Lent with our Ash Wednesday Liturgy on March 5. Many opportunities follow: The Mothers' Guild Day of Reflection, Our Annual Soup Day for the Needy on Long Island, Faculty and Student retreat days, Reconciliation services, the Feasts of St. Patrick, St. Joseph and the Annunciation. In addition, we will dedicate and bless the Richie Reichert Complex, the Brother Shane Fitness Center and the Saint Anthony Business and Entrepreneur Center. If this is not enough, there will be time for many Lenten devotions both here at school and in your local parish churches.

Rite of Passage:

On March 7 and 8, our Junior class will begin their journey into Senior year with the reception of their Class Rings followed by the Junior Class Cotillion. As they begin a new chapter in their high school career, they will order their Senior Class Sweater and the Senior Girls have the opportunity to order the New Senior Girl Shoe. Our Juniors will now have more responsibilities as they approach their final year here at Saint Anthony's.

Academics:

Our annual College Fair will take place on March 18; this year we will add a Career Fair component to this most successful event. Many of our Seniors have already received acceptances, scholarships and committed to their future homes. The Middle States Accreditation Association will visit Saint Anthony's High School on March 17-20. Every seven years our accreditation is scheduled for review. As a school, we have spent the year in a self-study plan and are well-prepared for this visit. I wish to thank all who have worked so hard to make this visit a reality. I especially thank Miss Anne Ferrara and Mr. William Quinn who are serving as the Chairpersons for this accreditation process. With all of this said let us not forget that the 3rd marking period ends on March 28, so please keep working hard as we begin to look at final preparations for the end of the school year.

Athletics and Extracurricular Events:

As always, the month is filled with many events: Winter Varsity Sports Night, NHS Blood Drive, Mothers' Guild Casino Night, Fathers' Guild meetings, NHS Relay for Life, Show Choir Showcase, the Principal's Dinner and of course **OLIVER**, our Spring Musical which opens on March 27. Amidst all of this, there will be playoff games and a new Sports season underway. I am certain that I will see you at many of these events.

Well, as I said in my opening thoughts, it is quite a busy month ahead as we have many moments to express our Friar Franciscan Spirit. In the days ahead be certain of my thoughts and prayers for each of you as we together journey through the Blessed season of Lent. May the God who is so Good continue to bless you and your families, **and Remember Brother Loves Ya!**

In Saint Anthony, Our Patron,