

SERVING IN THE LOVE OF CHRIST

April School Newsletter Article Catholic Education Week: Serving in the Love of Christ

Catholic schools, together with the home and parish, are an important part of the local Catholic faith community. We – as pastors, parents, students, teachers, administrative and support staff – walk and grow together in the faith we received at our Baptism. Each of us has been called by name to grow in relationship with God and neighbour, to nurture one another as members of the body of Christ, using the gifts the Holy Spirit has given us, in the parish, home and Catholic school community.

Our Catholic school community will celebrate Catholic Education Week 2014 beginning on Sunday May 4th, and running through to Friday May 9th. Our theme this year is, *Serving in the love of Christ*. Our biblical reference for this theme comes from the words of Jesus in St. Luke's Gospel, "I am among you as one who serves." (Lk 22: 27e)

There are five sub-themes for each day of Catholic Education Week:

- Monday – Serve with faithfulness
- Tuesday – Serve with humility
- Wednesday – Serve with compassion
- Thursday – Serve with justice
- Friday – Serve with joy

We will be celebrating Catholic Education Week with prayers and activities each day. Some of these have been adapted from resources provided by the Ontario Catholic Schools Trustees' Association (OCSTA); others have been created by members of our Renfrew County Catholic school board. Each will highlight how our school is 'Serving in the Love of Christ'. We invite you to come and join us for these activities as your personal time and work schedule may permit.

We hope to see many of you during our school celebrations.