

Dear St. Ethelreda Family,

People have often remarked that “God doesn’t give you more than you can handle.” Our faith is surely being tested, but we are a praying school and will continue to look to Him for strength. This morning, shortly after 11:30, God plucked another flower from our St. Ethelreda family. Jacobi Henry, son of Mrs. Melony Henry, our school bookkeeper, passed today. Jacobi was only seven-years-old. Most of you probably saw his picture in her office and knew that he was one of God’s special children. He was fun-loving, wise beyond his years, inquisitive, intelligent and a loving son, brother, grandson and cousin. Mrs. Henry will certainly need your prayers and support at this time.

Thank you for the prayers, cards, plants, phone calls and other expressions of sympathy during our time of sorrow. Speaking for both the Spells and the Carter families, our loved ones will surely be missed. Your kindness towards our families helped to ease some of the pain.

So much has happened in these past two weeks. All I can say is pray, pray, pray. Tell family members that you love them every day. Don’t waste time arguing, don’t sweat the small stuff, get closer to God and live each day if it was your last.

JUST A FEW REMINDERS.....

- Registration forms are due by March 17. Register now and you WILL NOT have to pay the \$100.00 registration fee.
- Graduation proofs for preschool 4-year-olds, kindergarten and eighth grade must be returned by the 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Seventh graders and new eighth grade students will take the Federal Constitution test on the 14<sup>th</sup>.
- The Illinois Constitution test will be given on the 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Spring pictures will be taken on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Information will be sent home on the 12<sup>th</sup>.
- TERRA NOVA TESTING.....MARCH 4-14<sup>th</sup>. Make sure your child/children arrive to school on time, eat a light breakfast and has two #2 pencils. You can send a healthy snack (fruit, nuts, etc.) to be eaten during the break.

- Family Mass is on the 16<sup>th</sup>, which is Palm Sunday. The second grade students will read.
- School will be dismissed on Thursday at 3:00. After school care and preschool will end at 6:00.
- Good Friday, March 21, is a holiday for everyone.
- Spring break begins on March 24 and ends on the 28<sup>th</sup>. School will be closed to everyone for general cleaning.
- You can sign up for Transportation Reimbursement in the office.

Science Fair information will be given to the students to work on during spring break.

I will inform you about the services for Jacobi Henry as soon as the information is available.

Happy Easter to all of you from the Faculty, Staff and Administration of St. Ethelreda School.