



*"Return to God...who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in love." - Joel  
2:12-13*



April 14, 2025

Dear Parent / Guardian,

**Marking Period #3 Report Cards** are in today's Black Excellence Folders. Please sign one copy and return to school tomorrow. Keep the second copy. Congratulations to the many students who worked hard all marking period to earn all A's and B's and a spot on the Honor Roll. We look forward to celebrating your achievement at the April 23rd 7:30am Honor Roll breakfast. Invitations will be sent out next week. As we now underway with Marking Period #4, please speak with your child about:

- how they have grown ( e.g. become a stronger reader)
- what they are proud of (e.g. Math MAP scores)
- what they want to get better at (e.g. using their planner every day)
- and their goals for Marking Period #4 (e.g. reach the Honor Roll, or have perfect attendance!)

**Homework** is a major part of student grades. Please make sure you are checking your child's planner each night, confirming that they are copying their assignments and completing their homework every night.

**Family Fees:** Thank you to families for making financial sacrifices and your commitment to St. James and your child's education.

**Important Dates:**

April 13 Palm Sunday 10am at The African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas & 5pm at St. James  
April 16 7pm Tenebrae  
April 17 11am Maundy Thursday Mass  
April 18 1:45-3:00pm Good Friday Mass  
April 19 7pm Easter Vigil at St. James  
April 20 5pm Easter Sunday at St. James  
April 21 No School  
April 23-25 Career Week

Please contact me at any time with suggestions or questions. Be safe and be well.

Sincerely,

Mr. McDonough