

April 21, 2020

Dear Parents, Guardians, Faculty and Staff,

As you must know by now, the Governor has announced that all public and private schools will remain closed for the remainder of the school year. For us at St. Augustine's the final date will be June 12th. We all know that this is the best decision for the safety and health of everyone yet we are so saddened about how our remaining days of school will now look.

Although we have not made any final decisions just yet Father Peter and I hope to be able to schedule our Graduation Mass for our 8th graders at a later date this summer as soon as the social distancing limitations have been lifted. We know how much of a milestone this is for everyone and we want to celebrate this with all of you. In the meantime, we have a few surprises in store for our graduates as we bid them farewell from our school. Our first communions will also be rescheduled when it is safe to do so.

Once we return from vacation the teachers and I will put together a plan for the remaining 7 weeks to continue the remote learning. We will also plan other events to give all our students opportunities to online gather socially with their classmates and teachers.

Let us remember all those in our school community affected in any way from this pandemic. Know that you are in our thoughts and prayers even when we are apart. If there is anything we can do for you please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

I understand that this is a difficult time for everyone and I hope that we will be able to celebrate all our other milestones virtually as we continue the remaining days of school for the 2019-2020 school year. Please know that I miss all of you so much and I look forward to our morning virtual ZOOM meetings until we can gather again in person. I will keep you posted on all news, events, and remote learning as we finish this school year.

God Bless and Stay Safe,

Mrs. Paula O'Dea