

# CAL CONNECTION

## Dates & Reminders:

Please email [elreception@caschools.us](mailto:elreception@caschools.us) with all attendance or dismissal changes. Changes must be made by **1pm** and early dismissals conclude @2:15 each day.

- **March 30<sup>th</sup>** Blossom the Cross
- **April 3<sup>rd</sup>** Good Friday **NO SCHOOL**
- **April 6<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>** Spring Break **NO SCHOOL**
- **April 15<sup>th</sup> -24<sup>th</sup>** CAL-A-THON Fundraiser
- **April 17<sup>th</sup>** Mom Prom mother-son event
- **April 25<sup>th</sup>** CAL-A-THON Family Fun Night
- **May 1<sup>st</sup>** Recess Day **NO SCHOOL**
- **May 25<sup>th</sup>** Memorial Day **NO SCHOOL**
- **May 26<sup>th</sup>** Kindergarten Graduation
- **May 26<sup>th</sup>** 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration
- **May 28<sup>th</sup>** Last Day for students!



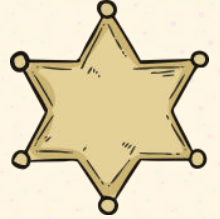
## MOM PROM

A Mother/Son event

Friday, April 17th

6:30-8:30pm

\$30/Couple



This event is for **CAL JA-5th grade boys** and the significant woman in their life.

There will be a D.J., desserts, competitions, and some fun surprises! Dress is up to you, cowboy chic for the ladies and western wear for the boys (jeans and a hat, but no guns, please).

[Register here.](#)

Our counselors have a website now!

[Check it out here.](#)

**What's for lunch?**

[Click here for our menu.](#)



[Click here for 4th Quarter volunteer sign-ups!](#)



# CHAPEL TABLE TALK: THE FAITHFUL SERVANT

Discussion Guide: Following God Like St. Patrick

## THE GOSPEL REMINDER FOR PARENTS

**THE BIG IDEA:** St. Patrick didn't go back to Ireland because he was a 'superhero'; he went back because he was overwhelmed by the grace of God. He was once a slave, but God made him a son. When we realize that Jesus served us by giving His very life to set us free, our hearts naturally want to serve others—even the ones who are hard to love. We serve because we have already been served by the King.

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### 1. THE 'HARD PLACES' QUESTION

St. Patrick was asked by God to go back to a place where he was treated poorly, so he could tell them about Jesus. It takes a lot of courage to be a servant in 'hard' places!

- **The Question:** Is there a place (maybe the playground or a certain table at lunch) where it feels hard to be kind or to talk about Jesus? How can we pray for a 'Patrick-sized' heart to serve the people there?

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### 2. THE 'SHIELD' PRAYER

There is a famous prayer called 'St. Patrick's Breastplate' where he asks Jesus to be all around him—behind him, before him, and beside him. He knew he couldn't be a servant on his own.

- **The Question:** If you knew Jesus was standing right beside you all day long, would it change how you helped your friends or listened to your teachers? How does knowing He is with us make it easier to serve?

Chris Troyer • Spiritual Formation Coordinator



## Chapel Corner

**Join us for Chapel!**

**Tuesdays**

Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades

**8:10-8:35**

3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grades

**8:55-9:30**

Not able to join us for chapel?

Check out the video link below!

[K, 1<sup>st</sup>, & 2<sup>nd</sup>](#)



[3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup>](#)



## Blossom the Cross

**Monday,**

**March 30th All Day**

Please send a flower to school with your student. Each class will take a turn so that every student will have the opportunity to *Blossom the Cross*.



*Palm Chapel  
Service*

**Tuesday, March 24th**

K - 2nd 8:10 - 8:35

3rd - 5th 8:45 - 9:30



*Easter Chapel*

**Tuesday, March 31st**

The cross will be raised in between the two chapel services at 8:30

(weather permitting)

K - 2nd 8:10 - 8:35

3rd - 5th 8:45 - 9:30

# COUNSELOR NEWSLETTER

March 2026

## MARCHing Our Way To Healthy Peer Relationships

Can you believe we have made it to MARCH! March can be an exciting, fun time in elementary school.

March can also be a time where we see peer conflict increase. The weather can be wet and cold which means less outdoor recess - "cabin fever" is a real thing!

Students have also been with their classmates for 8 months now. They essentially spend more time with their classmates than they do their families.

Can students resolve conflict on their own? YES! ALL students can resolve conflict on their own without help from an adult.

But how can students resolve conflict without intervention from an adult? YES...and the Bible tells us "how"!

### What Does the Bible Say...

Matthew 18:15 tells us - "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him what he did wrong. Do this in private. If he listens to you, then you have helped him to be your brother again."

### How To Use Matthew 18:15

1. Calm Down - we can't work on conflict when we are still mad.
2. Who Goes First - flip a coin, Rock, Paper, Scissor, or any other "chance" option to figure out who will talk first.
3. I Statements - "I feel \_\_\_\_\_, when you \_\_\_\_\_".
4. Listen - listen to the other person express their feelings.
5. Brainstorm Solutions - sometimes agreeing to disagree is the outcome.

### Conflict is NOT Bullying

#### Conflict

- Power Balance
- Occasional
- Accidental
- Desire to Resolve
- Regret
- Unintended to Harm

#### Bullying

- Power Imbalance
- Repeated
- Intentional
- No Effort to Resolve
- No Regret
- Intent to Harm