

CRUSADER CHAPLAIN CHATTER

WEEK OF APR. 2 - 5, 2024

WE PAUSE TO HONOUR THE LAND
ON WHICH WE LIVE, WORK AND LEARN.

THIS LAND IS SACRED:
IT IS THE LAND OF MANY FIRST NATIONS
AND THE METIS;
FROM THE LANDS OF THE ANISHINABE
TO THE ATTAWANDARON,
THE HAUDENOSAUNEE AND THE METIS,
WHO LIVED, WORKED AND LEARNED
ON THIS LAND
AND KEPT A PEACEFUL BALANCE
WITH THE LAND
AND ITS CREATURES AND INHABITANTS
AND CONTINUE TO DO SO.

AS WE BEGIN OUR WEEK,
LET US HONOUR THIS LAND, ITS RICH HISTORY,
THE MANY FIRST NATIONS AND THE METIS
AND COMMIT TO CONTINUE LEARNING
HOW TO KEEP A PEACEFUL BALANCE
WITH THIS LAND AND WITH ALL THOSE
WHO CALL THIS LAND HOME.

WE ARE ONLY AS HEALTHY
AS THIS LAND IS HEALTHY.

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IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL = SIKH HERITAGE MONTH
APRIL = GENOCIDE REMEMBRANCE,
CONDEMNATION AND PREVENTION MONTH
APR. 3: RELAY 4 LIFE LAUNCH
APR. 3: MATH CONTEST
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APR. 8: PD DAY
APR. 9-10: OSSLT
APR. 11: SPRING FLING DANCE
APR. 17: LIFE SKILLS DANCE @ HT
APR. 17: ROBOTICS COMPETITION
APR. 27: TRIVIA NIGHT!
MAY 1: EASTER/CEW MASSES
MAY 6-10: CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK
MAY 6-17: AP EXAMS
MAY 22: ARTS NIGHT
MAY 23: RELAY 4 LIFE
MAY 29: BATTLE OF THE BANDS
MAY 30: GRADE 8 BBQ
MAY 31: GRAD DINNER/DANCE
JUNE 5: CLOSING MASSES

UPCOMING
EVENTS



DAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

What do you call a rabbit with fleas?

Bugs Bunny.



Quote for the week

“PLEASE PAY ATTENTION TO WAHT YOU FEEL LIKE AFTER SPENDING TIME WITH SOMEONE.”

-@JAYSHETTY



For More
Information

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Dog Named Hero Saves Owner's Life for Days, Fighting Off Cold and Coyotes and Getting Help

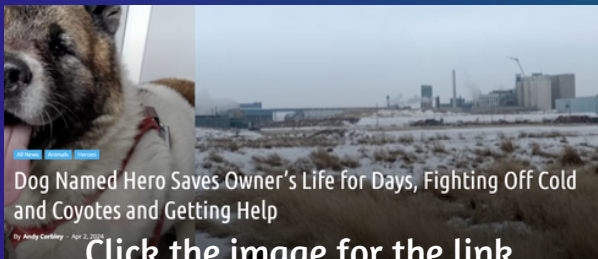
An Akita named 'Hero' saved his owner's life last week in an incredible tale of loyalty and resilience that saw him remain by his side through two frigid Alberta nights, fend off coyotes, and eventually alert rescuers.

Winning plaudits for his name and deed the world over, a GoFundMe raised \$3,000 to cover the veterinary bills of Hero by the shelter that is keeping him safe and warm while his owner recovers.

The story began with an attack: when a passerby named Curtis Dahl was walking in a field of mud and grass near the sugar factory in the town of Taber, and Hero came running up and bit his dog around the neck. Dahl claims he tussled with Hero for ten minutes trying to get him off his dog, and needed stitches on his finger by the end of it. Calling police and animal services with a complaint, he alerted them to Hero's presence, but when the officers arrived and saw Hero lying down exhausted near a terraced plot of grass and weeds near the road, they suddenly heard a cry for help.

Arriving, they found a 61-year-old man on his back in a ditch, shivering and unable to move. He told police he'd been stuck there for two days while Hero protected him. While the man was taken to a hospital, Hero was taken to Taber Lost Paws Society, an animal shelter that has a special program to look after dogs during periods of crisis or injury. As it happened, the society's acting president Alana McPhee said they had an employee who was the injured man's neighbor and knew that he had another Akita dog named Tora...

--for more about this story, click the photo below!



Click the image for the link to the full story!

If you need support, please remember we are here for you:

- Mr. McDougall (Principal)
- Ms. Davison (VP)
- Mr. Laurin (VP)
- Ms. Rerecich (Chaplain)
- Devin Misener (CYC)
- Bailey Jones (SW)
- Guidance Counselors and your teachers



PRAYER



*God of surprises,
in this Easter season,
help me believe.*

*Give me faith to trust your promise.
Help me trust my faith,
that the words I pray are more than words,
but a new way of living my life.
Give me resolve to invest myself: my time, my
talents, my skills, even my money--in causes
that make this world a better place.
Give me eyes to see you in my relationships
and in my community.*

*Our Lady of the Assumption,
pray for us!*



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Today is World Autism Awareness Day—this year's theme is "Celebrate the Spectrum." Awareness and action is necessary to provide spaces of inclusion, support and advocacy for our diverse communities while learning about autism and how we can make our community better. Do something about this and research autism and learn more about it so you can help raise awareness.

Hey HOSA Members! Please make sure to fill out the google form sent out on the group chat ASAP as it has details regarding the SLC that needs to be confirmed from our end! The faster we hear from you, the faster we can have group study sessions. We hope to hear from all of you soon!

Any student interested in being a part of the track & field team is asked to sign up outside of the main gym on the Sport wall. For more information, see Ms. Albert or Ms. Fernley.

Hey Crusaders!!! Your next intramural is coming up soon! Neon-themed dodgeball will be held in the gym next Friday, April 5th. Get together a team of 8-10 people and sign up in the cafe today! Forms are due tomorrow! We hope to see you there!

Do you like earning money while playing sports?

Cedar Spring Racquet Club in Burlington is looking for two students interested in teaching younger children how to play pickleball. This is a paid summertime role. If interested please see the television in the cafeteria outside the Phys. Ed. office for more details.

This message is for all members of the Junior boys hockey team. There is an exhibition game scheduled for Thursday, April 4 at 2 PM at Harry Howell Arena in Waterdown. All players are expected to attend the game. If you cannot attend, please see Mr. Consoli as soon as possible.

Attention creative Crew-saders! Arts Council is hosting Arts Night: StarDiem: Seize the Stage in May. Do you have a special talent that you'd like to share with your fellow students? A passion project involving STEAM or any art medium? Sign up at the bulletin board outside of room 104 to audition for this extravaganza of a night! Auditions will be held this week tomorrow and Thursday after school in room 104. Anyone and everyone is welcome to audition!

Applications for Valedictorian are due this Friday! If you haven't picked one up yet and are interested, do so today. They can be picked up outside workroom 210A. Applications are due NO LATER THAN APRIL 5, 2024—that's next Friday!

The Assumption Student Council would like to announce this years Spring Fling semi-formal, happening Thursday April 11 from 7-10 pm for all students! Early bird ticket prices start at \$10 until April 3—that's tomorrow! After that they will be \$12. Your ticket includes: snacks, music, a photo booth, accessible coat check, and more! Don't miss out on the last dance of the year! Go to school cash online ASAP to get your ticket!

For any grade 12s hoping to return to Assumption next year: if you are hoping to return, you must do the following:

- 1) submit your cash online payment (the registration fee for next year)
- 2) complete the forms and choose your courses
- 3) bring completed forms and cash online receipt to the main office at which time you will book your appointment with Mr. McDougall
- 4) After appointment - bring all forms to the guidance secretary. At this time Mr. Yurgan can help you finalize your course selection if needed

CHECK THE PHYS. ED. BULLETIN BOARD FOR YOUR TEAM UPDATES AND TRYOUT INFORMATION!

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TUESDAY

Rosary Group in
the Chapel per. 2

Peer Tutoring
on lunches

Crochet Club in
rm 109 on 3rd lunch

Concert Band in the
music room

SR. Reach,
rm 224

Latin American Club
rm 107

Wednesday

Wellness Wednesday in
the Piazza over lunches

Math Madness:
before school (rm 302);
after school (rm 304).

Student Athletic
Council in rm 118

"Assumption Reads"
Book Club, in rm 222
-every other week

Construction Club,
rm 106

Debate Club,
rm 206

Black Student
Association -
rm 107

Robotics - rm 223

Intermediate Reach,
rm 224

Chaplaincy Club,
- Check the google
classroom.

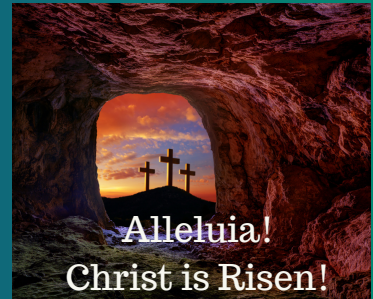
THURSDAY

Peer Tutoring
on lunches

Art Club in
rm 108!

Dungeons and
Dragons -
rm 209B

Assumption & the
World, rm 107



Friday

Rock Band in the
music room

Sr. Reach,
rm 224

**SIKH
HERITAGE
MONTH**



Genocide Remembrance,
Condemnation & Prevention
Month



NURTURING OUR FAITH

CLICK THE ITEM AND IT WILL TAKE YOU TO THE SITE/ARTICLE.

Living in Communion With God And Neighbor:
Thoughts on the Greatest Commandment

BY SEAN WILD FEBRUARY 28, 2024



Photo by Gerardo Javier Juarez Martinez

A deacon at my church once shared a metaphor from earlier Christian times that can be traced back to the sixth-century monk and hermit, [Dorotheos of Gaza](#). It goes like this: Think of a wheel or circle. (In our modern times, we can think of a bicycle wheel.) Imagine the spokes of the wheel. As the spokes travel from the outside tire towards the hub in the center of the wheel, they necessarily get closer to one another. In this



How Can You Know What's Right? Here's What Jesus Thought.

Easter Reflection:

by Bill Mattison '03 Ph.D.

Have you ever faced a desperate situation, thought it could not get worse, and yet it did? On Easter morning (of course, Mary did not know on her darkened walk to the tomb that it was Easter!) Mary Magdalene had already witnessed the brutal torture and murder of the only truly innocent man in history: her friend, and Lord, Jesus.

And now she confronted the abomination of an opened tomb and a missing body, combined with friends who could offer no consolation.

And yet....

Jesus is risen, overcoming the horror of Good Friday and all it stands for.

Christ encounters Mary in the flesh, calling her by name.

In what ways has Jesus brought new life out of suffering we have experienced and called us by name?

What brokenness remains in our lives and our world, and can we imagine how God can bring new life out of it?

Mary had the privilege of clutching the risen Lord in her hands, seeing his glorified body.

Sometimes, I envy those who encountered Jesus in the flesh, especially risen.

If I had that experience, I would believe more fervently and respond more decisively to the call of discipleship. Yet today's gospel reminds us that even for those present that day, the resurrection remains an unfathomable mystery into which we are invited to live in faith and hope.

What must it have been like for Mary to encounter Jesus risen that day?

As a theologian, I am blessed to pray and write on questions like these, including in my recent book, Follow Me: Walking with Jesus in the Gospels. This book contains reflections from the first-person perspectives of various characters in gospel stories. I invite you to peek at this imaginative reflection on today's gospel told from Mary Magdalene's perspective.

Mary responds to Jesus' invitation as a disciple with hope to bring.

She runs to the disciples a second time that morning, emboldened and commissioned, and the Apostle to the Apostles becomes the first to proclaim the Good News.

May we be similarly emboldened to proclaim with our lives the good news of this unfathomable mystery, and in doing so, may we be disciples with hope to bring.

Click the reflection above and you will be able to read it as a webpage.