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*Even Though*  
**WE'RE APART**



*You're in*  
**MY HEART**

## STAY-AT-HOME UPDATE

Dear Parents and Students,

We hope everyone is safe and staying at home. We have received notice from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles that the date for reopening Catholic schools, April 20, 2020, has been pushed back. We are awaiting further information from the Los Angeles County of Public Health and the Archdiocese for information on when we can open again. This includes information about our 8th grade graduation and first holy communion. We wait and pray for good news soon.

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## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER TRIDUUM AT ST. COLUMBKILLE SCHOOL

As we approach the Paschal Mystery of our Lord, we reflect on everything that has been going in the world. We remember the passion, suffering, death, and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ, this week. We too, as a society, as a community, are suffering due to the pandemic which has taken over the world.

While we may not be physically going to church this week, let us unite our hearts and spirits to Christ and look to Him for strength. Just as our Lord went through his difficult trials so that he may truly be resurrected, may we also faithfully endure what comes our way and persevere so that we too may be resurrected.

Let us look forward to the resurrection that comes with Christ. A resurrection that no longer takes our freedom for granted.

A resurrection where we find gratefulness in our ability to go to work and to have a job.

A resurrection where we are grateful that our students and loved ones can attend school without fear of a virus.

A resurrection where fear does not dictate what we do and who we are, but our identity as human beings and Christian.

This Holy Week, let us unite ourselves with Christ. Let us reflect on his passion, death, and resurrection. Let us find comfort in the divine healer, the divine physician, our Lord and Savior,

Jesus Christ

We adore you O Christ, and we bless you because by your hold cross you have redeemed the world.



## **FUNDRAISING / SERVICE HOURS UPDATE**

St. Columbkille parents. We have heard your concerns regarding fundraising and service hours. Effectively immediately, we are putting on hold all service hours and fundraising.

When the school resumes fundraising (on site or virtually) we ask that you help. Our school is powered through the amazing support and collaboration of our families. It literally would be impossible without you!

In the unfortunate situation that neither fundraising nor service hours can be made available to parents, the school will inform you of an alternative ways to satisfy the requirements.

If you have any novel ideas for fundraisers during these times, please feel free to contact us at [principal@columbkille.org](mailto:principal@columbkille.org). Your input is always valued and taken into consideration.

## COVID-19 RESOURCES

CDC: Household Checklist

[https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/checklist-household-ready.html?](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/checklist-household-ready.html?CDC_AA_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fcommunity%2Fhome%2Findex.html)

[CDC\\_AA\\_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fcommunity%2Fhome%2Findex.html](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/home/index.html)

County of Los Angeles Public Health: local data on the COVID-19 virus.

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/>

Child Mind Institute: Resources for student's mental health during the stay-at-home mandate.

<https://childmind.org/coping-during-covid-19-resources-for-parents/>

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Website

<https://lacatholics.org>

Unicef: Tips for parenting during the coronavirus outbreak

<https://www.unicef.org/coronavirus/covid-19-parenting-tips>

Holy Week Ideas and Stations of the Cross for the Family during Stay-At-Home

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1zGVoxc8xGejcazWNeL-tsvABWOtmNjOI>