Dear Parents

The world has changed greatly since our last ENews. COVID-19 and the quarantine that has been imposed on us because of this, has challenged every part of our society. As a school and church community we are working to respond in the best way possible to continue to serve our community.

The jump to online learning this week has challenged us. We will continue to learn and grow through this process. Our message to you all is "Stay Calm". Our teachers are learning to adjust workloads and due dates based on how things are working with their students. This will be a process for us. We are committed to being responsive to you and compassionate to the issues you are experiencing. We know this is challenging and new to you. Please remember that it is new for us as well. It is not ideal, but we will continue to persevere. Please reach out to your child's teacher if you need assistance. They will get back to you.

I am extremely proud of the way our teachers and staff have so quickly worked to get systems in place to continue on in the best way we possibly can. We have several ways in which we are serving our community. Both preschool and school age childcare for the children of essential workers are operating. If you believe you qualify as an essential worker and need this type of care, please contact Elodie Metro for preschool (emetro@dmcs.cc) or Katie Healy for school age (khealy@dmcs.cc) We also have grab and go breakfast/lunch bags available for our families. Please contact Patty Miller (pmiller@dmcs.cc) if you would like to pick one of these up. These are available any school day. Lunches are available by 10 AM each school day and they can be picked up at any one of the three pick-up times: 7-8AM, 10-11AM, and 5-6PM each school day. Our pick up station is drive up at Door 3 (gym door) and honk for service. (please give us advanced warning for ordering supplies-for instance let us know Friday what you need for next week would be great!)

If you haven't already, sign up to follow me on YouTube. I am posting daily announcements and other videos for our students and families. You can get to these through this link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1hx3QhHTrXE

This is truly an unprecedented time in our lives. It is reassuring that so many people have risen to the challenge. The good in our world is being demonstrated through the kindness of people everywhere. May you and your family weather this challenge with grace and good will. Please pray for all those being challenged.

Blessings to you all-

Mrs. Ashley