



Mater Dei Academy Weekly

April 26th, 2019



Upcoming Events and Reminders:

The annual May Crowning will be next *Wednesday, May 1st* at 8 AM. All are invited to come, and bring flowers with you!

Holy Mass will be on *Friday, May 3rd* at 8 AM. All are invited to join us! Please let us know if you will attend to ensure enough hosts for Holy Communion.

The servers for Mass will be Madison Hewitt and Xavier Mascari. The readers will be Munro Hewitt and Joseph Storck.

Remember to return your re-enrollment packets soon. Thank you!

Interim reports will be sent home today. Please sign and return them by next Monday, April 29th.

Congratulations to Mr. Ankrom's class for raising \$34 for Mary's Meals during Lent! The funds will help needy children in other parts of the world.

Saint of the Day: St. Paschasius Radbertus



Born about 785, St. Paschasius was abandoned as an infant at the convent of Notre Dame at Soissons, France. The nuns there adopted and raised him, and then sent him to the monks of St. Peter's, Soissons, for his education.

Paschasius entered the Benedictine monastery of Corbie under St. Adalard and was ordained a deacon. In 822, he accompanied Adalard into Saxony (Germany) to help establish the monastery of New Corbie in Westphalia. He served as master of novices and headmaster at both monasteries. In 844, Paschasius was made Abbot of Corbie, although only a deacon; through humility he refused to allow himself to be ordained priest, finding himself unfit for the office. After serving as abbot for seven years, he decided to resign because of a disagreement. He retired to the abbey of Saint Riquier, where he led a holy life of prayer and study. A prolific writer, Paschasius was the author of several biblical commentaries, a Life of Abbot Adalard, and the well known *De Corpore et Sanguine Domini* (On the Body and Blood of the Lord), the first ever treatise on the Eucharist. He lived some years at Saint Riquier before returning to Corbie, where he died around 865.

Have a safe and blessed weekend.

Lord, amid the things of this world, let us be wholeheartedly committed to heavenly things in imitation of the example of evangelical perfection You have given us in St. Paschasius the Abbot. Amen.

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