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Dear Friends,

Welcome to our Spring 2026 issue of the IHM Catholic EdNotes!

Next week we joyfully step into the sacred season of Lent, beginning with Ash Wednesday on February 18. These coming weeks invite us on a powerful and transformative journey - one very different from the bright, anticipatory path of Advent that may feel like it ended only moments ago. The Christmas trees and twinkling lights have been gently tucked away, and the world around us seems quieter, dimmer. Yet even within this darkness, God has hidden countless reminders of His unshakeable love for us.

Our Advent pilgrimage to Bethlehem brought us face-to-face with the Light of the World, surrounded by the brilliance of stars and the song of angels. That holy night marked not only Jesus' earthly beginning but also the start of our lifelong spiritual journey with Him.

Now, as we enter Lent, we walk beside Jesus once more—not toward a manger, but toward the profound mystery of His self-giving love. Though the path leads through shadows, we walk with faith-filled hearts, knowing that **from the darkness of death bursts forth the radiant LIGHT who is Jesus!** Together, as a community of love and service, let us embrace this sacred season with open hearts, deep compassion, and a renewed commitment to love God and our neighbor with all we are.

We hope to inspire and assist you with the sacred work of Catholic education through these engaging, informative and interesting features that can support your best practices, Pre-K through Grade 12, whether in a catechetical parish program or a Catholic school setting.

God bless you for your dedication to Catholic education!