



St. Joseph Catholic School

December 19th, 2022

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, Dec. 20th

- Mass (7th Grade)
- Rehearsal at 1:30 pm
- Christmas Program at 7:00 pm

Wednesday, Dec. 21st

- Mass (6th Grade)
- Christmas Parties (10:00-11:00 am)
- Dismissal at 11:22 am

Dec. 21st - Jan. 3rd

- Christmas Break

Wednesday, Jan. 4th

- Classes Resume
- Life Runners at 7:45 am (Wear Shirts)

Thursday, Jan. 5th

- Father Schrader Visits Grades 1 and 2
- Bookmobile

Friday, Jan. 6th

- Mass (5th Grade)
- Confessions (3rd Grade)
- Benediction at 2:50 pm
- Wear SAINT Shirts

[St. Joseph School Google Calendar](#)

School Mission Statement

With the intercession of St. Joseph, our school community guides the formation of Christ centered learners, leaders and citizens on a foundation of Catholic beliefs and academic excellence.



Stewardship

Our Renewal Emphasis Will Focus On:

- The Spirituality of Stewardship
 - The conversion of life through intentional discipleship.
 - Leading to active participation of the laity in the life and mission of the Church
- Giving as grateful stewards.
- Transparency and Fairness:
 - In the way the parish supports the diocese
 - Within the parish itself (building confidence among parishioners regarding the pastor's stewardship or parish resources)
- The Call to Accountability:
 - For clergy and laity alike

(Taken from: The Nuts and Bolts of Stewardship: How Does Sacrificial Giving Work in the Stewardship Way of Life)

Principal's Letter

Dear SJS Parents,

I am so sorry that you did not get a newsletter last week. I got "hit" by the same "bug" that the kids have had. It is not an enjoyable feeling. I feel so much better than last Wednesday.

The Christmas program has been hit hard with students being out. Please note that if we are off a few lines it is because of the sickness. Students are stepping in and helping out when needed and have been doing a great job in their efforts to come to someone aid. Ms. Sandbothe has been hit with the "bug" also so Ms. Prenger has tried to fill in to help. I am sure you will enjoy it when you see it Tuesday evening.

If you have grandparents that are hesitant about coming in the evening please let them know that they are welcome to attend the 1:30 p.m. in the gym on Tuesday.

Principal's Letter Continued

The evening of the performance cast students need to be their assigned rooms downstairs in the Middle School by 6 P.M. Choir members need to be their assigned rooms by 6:30 P.M.

Also just a reminder that our annual traditional Bake Sale will be going on before and after the Christmas program.

If possible, parents, please join us for our last school Mass for 2022 on Wednesday, December 21st

Students will be giving Father Schrader a Christmas gift at Mass on Wednesday. Please have your child bring \$0.25 for his gift.

Our Parishioners' gifts were delivered last week and so many of them were so grateful that we thought of them. One man was just so surprised that he could hardly talk. He said that he did not think he would be remembered at Christmas. Thank you all for making this happen again this Christmas season.

Blessed Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

Miss Patricia Kirk
Principal

Christmas Room Parties

Wednesday beginning at 10 A.M. will be our Christmas Room Parties until 11 A.M.

Students may wear a Christmas shirt and uniform pants on Wednesday. Dismissal will be at 11:22 A.M.

Christmas Dismissal

Dismissal will be Wednesday, Dec. 21st at 11: 22 A.M. There will be NO After School Care on Wednesday. If your child normally goes to After School Care please send a Blue Note to school.

Servers for Christmas Masses

We are begging for servers for some of the Christmas Masses.

Christmas Eve 5:30 P.M. Mass and Christmas Eve Midnight Mass

Father Schrader would like 4 servers at the 5:30 P.M. Christmas Mass and the Christmas Eve Midnight Mass so we are in need of just one more server for these Masses. If your child can be the fourth server at the 5:30 P.M. Mass or the Mid-night Mass please email me.

Christmas Morning 9 A.M. Mass

We need one more server for this Mass. Please email me if your child can serve this Mass.

Message from our School Nurse

Influenza Season December 2022 – January 2023

St. Joseph School policy requires a note for your child's physician if he or she has been away from school 3 or more days. During this year's flu season, physicians might not want individuals to be seen in their offices. To complicate matters those same doctors will not write a note for a student they have not seen.

We understand this creates an impossible situation.

We want your child back in the classroom as soon as they are well enough to learn. If you are unable to get the required documentation, please consult with Mrs. Sallin prior to the student returning to the classroom.

Mrs. Sallin will help you navigate the process of returning to school following an absence of 3 days or greater.

Email Mrs. Sallin at the following address: vsallin@stjosephwestphalia.org

Fifth Grade Junior Deputy Graduation

Congratulations to our fifth graders who graduated from their Junior Deputy program last Thursday, December 15th



Scrip

Scrip will be on sale every weekend until Christmas!

The **Scrip Elves** will be on break from **Dec 22nd – Jan 3rd**. You can continue to reloads and ecards electronically through the app.

The contest continues! For every \$100 of scrip bought, you get your name in the drawing to win a \$25 scrip card!
Congratulations to this week's winner – Abigayle Goeller!

Profit to Date: \$ 20,678.00

Since May 1st we've sold \$ 680,296.00 worth of Scrip.

Scrip Weekends: Jan 7-8

We will happily continue to fill orders daily until December 21st from our inventory only.

We're behind \$202 in profit from where we were last year.