



# St. Joseph Catholic School

## March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023

### Upcoming Events

#### Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>

- Father Schrader visits Grade 3 & 4
- No Bus Service
- Parent Meetings 3-6 pm

#### Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>

- Mass (Grade 5)
- Confession (Grade 5)
- End of Third Quarter
- No Bus Service

#### Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>

- Mass at 6:00 pm in honor of St. Joseph

#### Tuesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>

- Mass (Grade 4)

#### Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>

- Report Cards Sent Home
- Confirmation (Gr. 7) Practice at 6:30 pm

#### Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>

- Father Schrader visits Grade 1 & 2
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Meeting with Fatima HS Counselor at 8:00 am

#### Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>

- Mass (Grade 3)
- Confessions (Grade 8)
- Shadow Stations at 7:00 pm in Church

#### Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>

- Diocesan Speech Meet at Cathedral of St. Joseph

[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

#### The Four Pillars of Stewardship

What gifts have you been given? What gifts will you share?

#### Hospitality

"Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect hospitality, for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels."

HEBREWS 13:1-2

We strive to make every parishioner and guest feel welcomed and appreciated in our parishes. We are one body – one community in Christ. The Pillar of Hospitality brings parishioners together through social activities to foster fellowship and strengthen our union as a parish and with God. These activities help build relationships and encourage involvement in our parish ministries and service opportunities. In turn, Catholics grow in their faith and desire to evangelize and extend the same hospitality to those outside of our own community.

(Taken from The Four Pillars of Stewardship)

### Principal's Letter

Dear SJS Parents,

Congratulations to the following students who won a Blue Ribbon (First Place) at the Regional Speech Meet last week at St. George in Linn. You did an awesome job and we are proud of you!

Hudson Barnhart, Gr. 5	Lexi Massman, Gr. 5
Rilynn Wieberg, Gr. 5	Karly Bock, Gr. 8

Last week's Speech Meet concluded our Regional Speech Meets for this school year. There have been three total for the year AND all of our students that have participated in them have all won Blue Ribbons (First Place) with the exception of one who won a perfect score! Wow! What a great year. Now we go to the final Speech Meet at the Cathedral of St. Joseph on March 25th.

## Principal's Letter Continued...

Tomorrow, the Feast of St. Patrick, students may wear a green shirt and their uniform pants. Happy St. Pat's Day!

Next Wednesday, March 22nd our seventh graders and their sponsors will be meeting in church at 6:30 p.m. for our practice for their Confirmation which will be March 29th. Please keep them in your prayers. If you had taken their name out of the basket at Mass when they were enrolled that Saturday back in October please remember to say an extra prayer or send them a card letting them know you are praying for them. I know they would appreciate it. Thanks

Our eighth grade students will be doing the Shadow Stations for the parish on Friday, March 24th at 7 p.m. Please come and pray with us during this Lenten season.

Blessings,  
*Miss Patricia Kirk*  
Principal

## Blue and Pink Names for Our Rosaries

As of today we have 234 Rosaries said.

Many thanks to all the parents who are reciting a rosary and naming a baby for that remembrance.

Our 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be attending the Midwest March for Life Rally on April 26<sup>th</sup> at the Capitol in Jefferson City.

## Back in Black 2023

**THANK YOU!** Back in Black was a HUGE success because of the amazing people of our school, parish, and community. Without the support of all the workers, bidders, and people who made donations, this outcome would not have been possible. We are grateful to share that we raised \$70,295.00. These generous funds will go towards needed security updates to our school so our kids and future students of St. Joseph, will have a safe environment for years to come.

The Back in Black Committee

## Archery Tournament in Branson

Best Wishes for Karly Bock, Evan Brendel, Oliver Heckman, and Ty Brandt who will participate in the Archery Tournament in Branson Mach 16 – 18<sup>th</sup>. Good Luck!

## SUMMER School Forms

Last call for Fatima's Summer School Forms. Please send them to Mrs. Helton.

## Aluminum Can Drive

Many thanks to those who gave their cans to the Aluminum Can Drive. Home and School was given a check for \$418.00. Thanks for all your cans and thanks to Keith Bock and Brent Schulte who took care of this event.

## Home and School Treasurer

We are in need of a parent that would be the Home and School Treasurer for the coming school years. The job requires the use of Excel spreadsheets, ability to write about 50 checks per school year and balance a checkbook. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Lisa Wieberg and she can help you.

## Message from our School Nurse

### What Is Scoliosis?

Scoliosis is a condition in which the spine curves. A person with scoliosis may have a back that curves from side to side like an "S" or a "C." Scoliosis can develop over time. Often, it is not diagnosed until a child is 10 to 14 years old, the ages when most kids have growth spurts.

Small curves usually don't cause problems. However, a curve that gets worse can cause health concerns. Very large curves can damage the joints and cause arthritis of the spine or make the ribs rub against the pelvis, causing pain. Someone whose spine curves a lot might develop lung problems.

Doctors will keep an eye on large curves by doing [X-rays](#). They might decide to treat with physical therapy, [bracing](#) or [surgery](#).

Students in grades 6 and 8 are screened for scoliosis at school (April). I use a small device called a Scoliometer (much like a carpenter's level) to measure the curvature of the spine. It is fast and easy! Students do not need to disrobe and their privacy is respected during the 30 second screening.

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## Scrip

Scrip will be on sale March 18-19 and April 1-2

Easter Gifts - With Easter coming up, purchasing Scrip gift cards instead of candy for the kids is a great way to save on the dentist. There are numerous gift cards that come in smaller \$ increments like Walmart, Target, Panera Bread, McDonalds, Starbucks, Bath & Body Works, Subway, Taco Bell, Cold Stone Creamery, Claire's, and Yo-Yums, just to name a few.

Profit to Date: \$27,206.00

Since May 1<sup>st</sup> we have sold \$894,876.00 worth of Scrip.

We are behind \$1,244.00 from where we were this time last year.

Thank you for your continued support of the Scrip program.

Meghan Gentges