

# St. Joseph Catholic School

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.

- St. Joseph Catholic School Mission

## October Calendar Dates

- 18 – Parent Meeting – 6:30p.m.  
for Protecting Young Eyes
- 19 – Mass – Grade 2  
End of First Quarter  
Nationwide Earthquake  
Drill at 10:19 a.m.
- 20 – No School  
Faculty Workday
- 24 – Mass – Gr. 1  
Field Trip for Grs. 4 – 8  
Safety Kids show for  
Grs. K -3  
Report Cards going home
- 25 – Parent/Teacher  
Conferences 3:30 p.m.  
until 7 p.m.
- 26 – Parent/Teacher  
Conferences 7:30 a.m.  
until 3 p.m.
- 27 – No School
- 31 - No Mass  
Halloween Parties 2-3 p.m.
  
- Nov. 1 – All Saint's Mass – Gr. 2  
Wear Life Runner shirts
- Nov. 2 – All Soul's Mass -Gr. 1  
Wear Spirit shirts  
Students walking to  
cemetery.

## Principal's News – October 19, 2023

Dear SJS Parents,

Many thanks to the parents that have signed up for the Parent/Teacher Conferences. At this writing we are not at 100 % of the parents signed up. Please, if you have not signed up for a time to meet with your child's teachers, you need to go to FACTS and sign up for a time. We have always had a great turn out for this conference. Let's do it again this school year. Every parent needs to sign up for a time to meet with your child's teachers.

October is the beautiful month of all the different Feast days of the Saints. It is also the month that we begin our Rosary Box asking families to say a Rosary for an unborn baby or for a baby that you have known that is now in heaven.

Each class has a Rosary Box and directions are inside the box as to what to do. Once the Rosary is said, please write the name of the baby you prayed for on either the blue (for a boy) or a pink (for a girl) slip and return the Rosary box with the slips, Rosary pamphlet, and the new blue Rosary in the plastic bag label for your child's grade.

You need to keep the Life Savers for the family. If you open up the box and there are no Life Savers, you probably need to ask your son or daughter why they did not get home. Some families have told us that there were no Life Savers when they opened the box.

Each week we refill the boxes and send them home with the Wednesday Folders. We ask that you return them to school with your child by Tuesday of the next week. Let's see if we can break our last year's amount of Rosaries said. ( 237) Thank you for participating in this Pro-life event that we sponsor.

Next week students in grades 4 – 8 will be attending *Drums and Dances of Africa* in St. Louis at the Sheldon Concert Hall. They need to wear their uniform pants (no shorts) and their SAINTS shirts. We need to leave school by 7:30 a.m. so students need to be at school by this time. We will be back in time to ride the buses home. Because of not knowing the weather we will be changing plans for eating lunch. The Cathedral School is close to Sheldon Concert Hall and Father Hank Breier has graciously opened their cafeteria for us to eat in. It is on the parking lot of the New Cathedral so if there is time, we will take the students into the Cathedral to see the beautiful mosaics before boarding the bus to return to school. A new permission slip is being sent home today with your child for you to sign and return for your child to participate in this trip. Thank you for resigning the field trip slip.

## St. Joseph's SAINTS

Ava Heckemeyer and Nora Libbert for bringing Miss Kirk's lunch to her Tuesday.

Kaylee Berhorst, Cash Mengwasser, Ava Heckemeyer, Lily Verslues, Trent Stuckenschneider, Ty Brandt, and Macie Rademan for helping Mrs. Cavender take down the 9-Square game. (It was rainy and muddy)

## ***Principal's News continued.....***

Students may wear a Halloween shirt and uniform pants on October 31<sup>st</sup>. Parties will begin at 2 p.m.

Next week, our Wednesday Folders will be coming home on Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> because of Parent/Teacher Conferences. Your child's report card will be included.

The next Principal's Newsletter will be November 1<sup>st</sup>

God's blessings,

*Miss Kirk*

### **Don't Forget the Manager**

Mr. Horvath had try-outs last week for the Christmas program entitled, *Don't Forget the Manager*. Once again students were excited about trying out. All students will have some type of part in this play. This year's Christmas program was written by Mr. Horvath and centers around a family talking about the Birth of Jesus while decorating a Christmas tree.

Within this Wednesday Folder are the names of the student casts, what the family member or choir member should wear, and information on when practices will begin. The manger scene costumes will be provided by the school. Cast members got their parts today.

### **St. Joseph Scrip Update**

Scrip is filled by Mrs. Amber Fennewald.

Starting in November, we will be selling every weekend so everyone will have time to prepare for the upcoming holidays! We have some 54 Archery cards on hand for anyone looking for a gift for the hunter in your life!

Scrip will be on sale the weekend of:

October 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>  
November 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>

**Profit to date:** \$11,729.00

Since May 1<sup>st</sup> we have sold \$375,770.00 worth of Scrip.

We are behind \$1195.00 in profit from where we were last year.

Thank you for your continued support of the Scrip program.

*Megan Gentges*

### **St. Joseph Shirt Schedule:**

(Can be viewed on Google Calendar)

All first (1<sup>st</sup>) Wednesdays - **Life Runner** shirt

All first (1<sup>st</sup>) Thursdays - **Bulldog Spirit** shirt

All first (1<sup>st</sup>) Fridays - **SAINT** shirt

### **A Message from Janice Wieberg:**

All of you are welcomed to be a part of the Parish Choir. The choir typically sings the third Sunday of each month at the 10 a.m. Mass. We practice the Wednesday before at 7:15 p.m. We do ask that you participate as a family, or as a parent-child combination, as this is not intended to be a children's choir. You do not have to commit to singing every month.

Many thanks to the parents who sign the Wednesday Folders and get them back the same week. We appreciate your efforts.

Our theme for this school year: Teach *Compassion*, Teach *Kindness*, Teach *Confidence*