

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families,

Greetings from NorthBay, our annual week-long trip for our 6th graders. This warmer weather is making it feel like Spring! It was great to see so many of you at our School Mass on Sunday and we hope to see even more at the next one.

Grandparent's Day - Wednesday, March 26th

Please save the date for Grandparent's Day on Wednesday, March 26th. Grandparents will join us for Mass at 8:30am, followed by light refreshments and performances by each grade in the Parish Center. Following the performances, Grandparents are invited to visit their grandchild(ren) in their homeroom from 10:30-11:30am. Grandparent car magnets will be available for sale for \$5 (cash or check). ALL GUESTS MUST RSVP HERE prior to Monday, March 24th. This link will expire at 3pm on March 24th.

** Please note that each Grandparent will need to have their ID scanned if they have not done so already. They can do this during school hours between now and Monday, March 24th when registration closes. The main office will be open from 8am - 3pm on Friday, March 21st for anyone who needs to have their ID scanned. If they cannot do so in advance they must have it with them when they arrive for Grandparent's Day. Please note that waiting in line to have a driver's license scanned will cut into the performance and visitation time. Please share which homeroom(s) your child(ren) are in with Grandparents who will be attending Grandparent's Day.

8th Graders Share their Decisions

During the week of March 17th - March 20th, our 8th graders are invited to share their high school decisions by wearing a sweatshirt from their chosen school. This is in place of their SJS sweatshirt only. They need to be in the appropriate school uniform. We are excited to see where they are headed!

Looking Ahead:

- 3/17 Joe Corbi Sale Ends
- 3/19 School Mass where we will celebrate our Patron Saint on his Feast Day, T2 Honor Roll Recognition following Mass, and HASA Spirit Night at El Salto 5-9 pm
- 3/20 Spiritwear Day
- 3/21 SCHOOL CLOSED for Students (Professional Development Day) & Parish Fish Fry
 5pm

Germs, Germs, Germs

We recently have had a lot of sick students. In an effort to keep everyone as healthy as possible, we ask to keep the following in mind:

- ~ Do not send students to school if they are sick.
- \sim Sick individuals should stay home for at least 24 hours after they no longer have a fever **without the use of fever-reducing drugs** like acetaminophen (Tylenol). Keeping children with a fever at home will reduce the number of people who may get infected.
- ~ Wash hands frequently
- ~ Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing

- ~ Know the signs and symptoms of the flu. Symptoms of the flu include fever (100 °F, 37.8 ° C or greater), cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, and lethargic. Some people may also vomit or have diarrhea.
- ~ If your child exhibits symptoms associated with influenza such as a fever (100 °F or higher), please consult your primary care physician for evaluation.

New Announcements



1st Day School Supplies

We are partnering with 1st Day School Supplies again this year to make back-to-school shopping easy! Order now and don't worry about it later. Ordering a kit from 1st Day is optional. A portion of the proceeds support our school. Visit our school's link to purchase HERE. Full school supply lists are available on our website HERE. Please note that items marked with an asterisk need to be purchased separately as they are



NEW! 24 Tournament

A 24 Tournament will be held after school in the Parish Center on Thursday, March 27th from 3:15pm-4:30pm. 24 is a game in which the objective is to find a way to manipulate four integers so the result is 24. Registration is open to any interested students in Grades 4-8. Trophies will be awarded to our top contestants. The cost is \$10 to participate. All proceeds will benefit the Women's Care Center. Completed permission slips and payment should be submitted to Mrs. Mallonee. Questions? Email Mrs. Mallonee.



March Reading Initiatives

We are partnering with Raising Cane's to offer an exciting incentive for students to keep reading. Additional information, including a reading log, will be coming home with students.

In addition, we will also be hosting a Student Book Swap! Students should bring books in good condition to donate (max of 5 books) between March 17-20th. Books should be dropped off to Mrs. Harman in Room 118. Students who donate will receive a ticket that will allow them to choose books to take home with them between March 24th-28th. Questions? Email Mrs. Harman.



Orioles Game

Watch the O's take on the Blue Jays on Friday, April 11th at 7:05pm at Oriole Park at Camden Yards. \$8 from every ticket purchased from THIS LINK using promo code "WOLFPACK" will benefit our school.

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Frozen Jr. Tickets on Sale

The St. Joseph School Drama Club presents *Frozen Jr.* on Friday, March 28th at Archbishop Curley High School at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$10 per person. Flowers and concessions will be available for sale. Don't miss out on this amazing performance! Purchase tickets here!

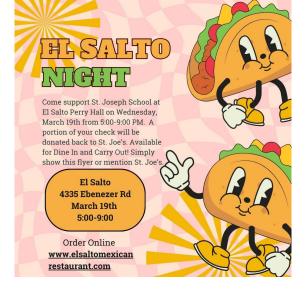


Volunteers Needed on Mon, 3/31

Adult volunteers are needed for our Lower School Open House to provide grade-specific tours of 1st, 2nd, and 5th grades on Monday, March 31st. Talking points will be provided. Tours will run from 8:30am to 11:30am. Email Admissions@stjoeschool.org with interest. This is a fun way to showcase our school and earn GIVE 8 hours!

HASA Spirit Night 3/19

Join your St. Joe's friends at El Salto in Perry Hall on Wednesday, March 19th from 5:00pm-9:00pm. A portion of your check will be donated back to St. Joe's. Just mention St. Joseph School when you dine in or carry out. Enjoy!





Stuff a Wolfie & Stuff a Bunny

Join us for St. Joe's very own Build-a-Bear experience. This year, you can Stuff a Wolfie or choose to Stuff a Bunny just in time for Easter! Enjoy a fun night, complete with ice cream sundaes! Join us on Wednesday, April 2nd at 6:30pm. Can't make it? Purchase a Wolfie or Bunny kit to stuff at home.

REGISTER HERE by March 12th!



Joe Corbi Fundraiser

All orders should be submitted ONLINE by Monday, March 17th. Use organization #7896. Orders will need to be picked up in the Parish Center on Wednesday, April 9th between 2pm and 6pm. Every family that sells at least one item will receive an out of uniform pass!

Hershey Park Tickets

Discounted Hershey Park tickets are only available through Friday, March 14th! Don't miss out on this SWEET deal. One day admission tickets are \$50 each (regular \$89.95) and parking passes are \$30 each (regular \$35). Tickets will be delivered in April and are good anytime from April 2025 through January 4, 2026. Purchase tickets HERE.



Camp Corner



6/16 - 6/20

Discovering Dinosaurs (AM camp) Ninja Adventures (PM camp)

6/23 - 6/27

Mechanical Masterminds (AM camp) Wonderful Wizards (PM camp) Animal Explorers (ages 4-6)

Brick City (AM camp) Snapology Favorites (PM camp) Planes, Trains, Automobiles Jr. (ages 4-6)

7/7 - 7/11Mega Machines Robotics (AM camp)
Superheroes (PM camp) Jr. Engineers (ages 4-6)

7/14 - 7/18

GameBots Robotics (AM camp) Scientists (PM camp) KinderBots Robotics (ages 4-6)

Morning Only: 8 am - 12 pm Afternoon Only: 1 pm - 5 pm Full day: 8am - 5pm Junior Camps (ages 4-6): 8am-12pm

7/21-7/25

Machines & Contraptions (AM camp) Jedi Masters (PM camp) Jr. Scientists (ages 4-6)

Real World Robotics (AM camp) Snapology Favorites: Video Game Edition (PM Camp)
Discovering Dinosaurs (ages 4-6)

8/4 - 8/8

Amusement Parks Engineering (AM camp)
Mining & Building (PM camp)
Superheroes (ages 4-6)

8/11 - 8/15

Creature Creator Robotics (AM camp) Pokemania (PM camp) RoboPets (ages 4-6)

Mini-Figure Mania (AM camp) Snapology Movie Favorites (PM camp)

Full day campers will bring 2 NUT FREE snacks and a lunch Half day/ junior camps will bring one NUT FREE snack

Children MUST be at least 6 years old to participate in the morning and afternoon camps.

Snapology

When school is out, have fun and learn with STEAM summer camps and one-day, 3 hour workshops at the Towson/Perry Hall location. Learn more here!

Important Dates

MARCH 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						HASA Daughter Dance 6:30- 9:00pm
2	3 T3 Begins Joe Corbi Sale Begins	Y Subway Lunch (Pre-order only) 2™ Grade to Goucher Family Reading Night ® Perry Hall Library 5-7pm	5 Pizza Lunch (Pre-order only) Ash Wednesday Bill's Seafood Sale	6 Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-order only)	7 HS Registration Deadline Report Cards Emailed	8 HASA Son Angued Up Event 6:30- 6:30pen 2 rd Greate First Reconcilea tion (Dem
Doylight Sevings Time begins (newe clecks sheed 3hr) School Mass 10:33om	Acre Testing Grades	Subway Lunch (Pre-order only)	12 Pizzo Lunch (Pre-order only)	13 Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-order only)	Stations of the Cross Gr. 5-8 1:30pm Hershey Park Ticket Sale Ends	15
	6th Grade NorthBay			Gr.7&8 to Curley	-	
16	Joe Corbi Sale Ends	18 Subway Lunch (Pre-order only)	Pizza Lunch (Pre-order only) T2 Honor Roll Recognition at Mass Feast of St. Joseph	20 Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-order only) Spirit Wear Day	School Closed PD Day for Faculty	22
23	24 School in Session	25 Subway Lunch (Pre-order only)	26 Pizza Lunch (Pre-order only)	27 Chick-Fil-A lunch (Pre-order only)	28 ⁵ tations of the Cross Gr. 5-8 1:30pm	29
30	3 MS MAP Testing Begins		Grandparent's Day & Mass 9:30-11:30am		SJS Performance of Frozen Jr @ Curley 6:30pm	

St Joseph Parish Happenings



Altar Serving Training

Is your son or daughter interested in being an altar server? <u>Email Deacon Tim Maloney</u> to learn more!





Lenten Outreach

Locally, we will support the Center for Pregnancy Concerns (CPC) and internationally, we will support outreach efforts in Karachi, Pakistan.

All gifts received for the CPC will support the CPC's Baby Bottle Campaign and their operating expenses.

All gifts received for our outreach efforts in Karachi, Pakistan will support the needs of the orphans, elderly, and poor in the Christian slums.

Use the links below to support these 2 causes:

- <u>DONATE ONLINE HERE</u> for the Center for Pregnancy Concerns
- DONATE ONLINE HERE for efforts in Karachi, Pakistan

Lenten Fish Fry

Join us for the second Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, March 21st. Parish Hall doors open at 5pm. Advanced registration recommended. Tickets will also be available at the door. Click on the date below to view the menu and register online:

• Friday, March 21st

Students who attend will receive an out of uniform pass (1 pass max per student for both Fish Fry dates). Following dinner, join us for Stations of the Cross in the Church at 7pm. Carryout also available.

Fridays in Lent with Adoration and Confession You are invited to spend time with Jesus to receive His healing rays of grace through Adoration and His healing forgiveness through the sacrament of Confession. March 7, March 14, March 21,

March 28, April 4, April 11

ADORATION

will begin at 12:00pm & conclude at 5:00pm

CONFESSIONS

will be offered at 12:00pm & 7:00pm

Fridays in Lent Stations of the Crôss - 7pm

March 7, March 14, March 21, March 28, April 4, April 11

Fridays in Lent

Join us for Adoration, Confession and Stations of the Cross on Fridays in Lent.

Wolfpack Athletics





Al Hahn Invitational

Game Day alert! There is action in 2 gyms today. View the schedule HERE to cheer on any of our teams! Our 4th grade girls play tonight at Mercy High School at 6pm. Admission is \$1. Our 8th grade boys play tonight at St. Ursula at 7:25pm. Both gyms will open 15 minutes before game times.



Pickleball Registration is Open

Pickleball begins next week on March 18th!
Pickleball is open to middle school boys and girls only. Open Play is available to athletes who have previously completed a session. Cost is \$95 for clinic and \$55 for returning players participating in Open Play. Dates include 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/29, 5/6 and 5/13. No session on April 22nd over Spring Break. REGISTER HERE!

Volunteers Needed for Kids' Golf Clinic

We're excited to offer a golf clinic, but we need VIRTUS-approved volunteers to make it happen. Two coaches are needed for each age group: Grades 1st-4th and Grades 5th-8th.

Requirements:

• Available on clinic dates: 4/6, 4/13, 4/27,



and 5/4. · Experienced golfers only to ensure accurate instruction

If you can help, and are VIRTUS-approved, kindly email Mr. Erik Cartwright. Your support is

essential in making this clinic possible for our students. Registration cannot open until we have a full coaching staff.

Grades 1st-4th will play from 2pm-3pm and grades 5th-8th will play from 3pm-4pm.



Fall Soccer Registration

Play soccer with SJAA! Fall soccer registration will open on April 1st. Soccer is open to PreK through 8th grade students. More details to follow.

SJAA Meetings

All are welcome to attend the SJAA Monthly Meetings. Dates include 3/27, and 5/12 at 8pm in the Parish Center Rooms 2&3. To attend via Zoom, email Mike McGuire.

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