



*St. Joseph School*  
*A National Blue Ribbon School*  
*October 21, 2009*  
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### ***Rooted in Christ***

Being Rooted in Christ also involves sharing our time and talents with others. We know that children model much of their behavior after their parents, and so when adults live the Gospel Message they are being great role models. St. Joseph School would not be able to operate without the many volunteers who help in various ways. We are excited that the PTO is recognizing specific volunteers each month based on nominations. The honorees this month are Rick Pastura and Rich Beiersdorfer. Mr. Pastura is the father of Lucy and Quinn and can be seen around school quite often. He is involved with video taping events, helping with our certificate program, working in the cafeteria, making copies for the teachers, helping with art appreciation, and is a gym monitor. Mr. Beiersdorfer is the father of Emily and Andrew and serves on the SJSAAA Board. He spends countless hours in scheduling the gym, supplying the concession stand, and keeping the records for this endeavor. He also can be seen most days working as a playground supervisor. Both of these men are always available to assist in any way and are certainly great examples of "being rooted in Christ." We are very grateful to them for their dedication to our school!

### **Report Card Conferences**

Report card conferences will occur after school and into the evening on Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. **School will not be in session on Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, but will be in session on Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>.** Sign up sheets were located in the right nave of the church this past weekend for parents to sign up for a specific conference time. The sign up sheets are now located in the foyer of the school. Conferences will be 10 minutes in length. If you feel that you need additional time, please call and make arrangements. The "special" teachers (ex. computer, music, academic support, etc.) are also available for conferences. If you wish to speak to one of them, please email them to set up a time.

### **Fourth Grade Warm Clothing Collection**

Fourth grade has begun their annual warm clothing collection for those less fortunate. We invite all classes and families to join in collecting warm outer clothing. We are collecting items such as hats, coats, gloves, etc. We, of course, will accept any other items, but we especially need clothing that provides warmth and protection from the cold. All sizes are needed.

We are already collecting so you may send your items to school as soon as collected. Our projected last day will be Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>. St. Vincent De Paul will have barrels placed in front of the school office for our collection. Thank you for supporting our project.

### **Wok-A-Thon**

The Wok-A-Thon is scheduled for this Friday with a rain date of Friday, Nov. 6. We are very grateful to all who have supported our efforts to earn money to replace the computers in our lab. We are still in need of some parents to volunteer to walk with our students. If you are able to help out, please complete the form located on our web site. This Thursday the students are welcome to wear their Wok-A-Thon shirts, but must wear their uniform skirts, jumpers, or slacks. On Friday the students should wear their Wok-A-Thon shirts and may wear jeans or sweat pants.

### **Market Day**

Market day order forms were sent home previously with the youngest students.

Internet orders due      Thursday, Oct 22  
Pick up                      Tuesday, Oct 27 from 7-8 pm

You may order online at [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com). The account number for St. Joseph School is #16276. If you have any questions, please contact Trisha Gamel at 344-1068 or Robin Moellering at 331-5020.

## **Lost & Found**

There are several items in the lost and found. Items will be on display outside the office through Friday, October 24. After this date items will be donated to a worthy cause.

## **Punt, Pass and Kick Contest**

Congratulations to the following students who went to Georgetown, KY for the sectional Punt, Pass and Kick Contest. Jacob Litzler placed third, Jared Flood placed fourth and Lexie Aytes placed first! Lexie now qualifies for the regional Punt, Pass and Kick contest held at Paul Brown Stadium. Great Job!

## **October Birthday Out of Uniform**

Tuesday, October 27 is October Birthday out of uniform. Please see the out of uniform guidelines on the "Forms" page of the school website.

## **October 29 – Halloween Accessories**

On Thursday, October 29 students will be able to wear Halloween accessories with their uniform. This includes Halloween themed sweaters, sweatshirts, leggings, socks, and hair accessories. Masks, hair color and make-up are not permitted.

## **PTO – News**

Don't miss the Father-Daughter Dance that's coming up on November 6<sup>th</sup>! The theme is a Square Dance and will be led by a professional caller. Don't miss out on the do-si-do! Please return your reservation forms as soon as possible so we can plan for the appropriate number. The price is \$15 per family. The reservation form can be found on the "Forms" page of the school website.

## **Youth Ministry**

Youth Ministry is again selling Entertainment Books. These books are valid now until November 1, 2010 and offer great discounts or free items at various locations in the Greater Cincinnati area. Cost is only \$20 and benefits parish youth ministry. More information, order forms and a list of just some of the participating businesses are posted on

the "Forms" page of the school website. These make great Christmas gifts!

## **World Youth Day – Corn Maize**

7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade parishioners are invited to celebrate World Youth Day in Parishes this Saturday, October 24. Join other junior high and high school youth from around the diocese as we celebrate mass, eat pizza and find our way through a 23-acre corn maze. Permission slips and money are due by Oct. 22. Please see the forms page for the flyer and permission form. Virtus trained chaperones are also needed

## **Attention 8<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Do you play an instrument or like to sing? Then come join our parish Youth Ensemble! Youth Ensemble is made up of high school and now 8<sup>th</sup> grade parishioners who like to sing or play an instrument. We practice every Thursday from 6-7 pm in church. We sing on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of every month. On Christmas Eve we are joined by some of our college aged alumni. No sign ups are necessary just come to practice this week! If you have any questions please contact Tina Klare at the Pastoral Center (341-6609).

## **Box Tops, Campbell Labels and Tyson Labels**

We are having a homeroom contest to collect Box Tops and Campbell UPCs during the month of October. When you send in these items, please indicate on the envelope/Ziploc bag the homeroom of your child. The homeroom that has the highest percentage based on the number of students will receive an out of uniform pass for the entire class. Please remember to send in the product labels from Tyson products as well.

## **VIRTUS Updates**

Please continue to check for VIRTUS updates. Parents, volunteers, and coaches need to stay up to date with their online training in order to participate in student activities.

## Wellness

It is important to each and every student that they come to school each day. However, if your child is sick, has had a fever in the last 24 hours, or has had vomiting or diarrhea in the last 24 hours, please keep them at home to rest and regain their strength before returning to school.

## Transportation Changes/Walkers

This is a reminder that your child **must** have a signed and dated note to walk home. Students who wish to go home on the bus with a friend must have a signed, dated note with their friend's address and bus number. ***Emails or phone calls for transportation changes are not acceptable.*** **Students will not be permitted to call parents at the end of the day to receive permission.**

## Calendar

- Oct 23 End of First Quarter  
SJS "Wok-A-Thon"
- Oct 25 Living Rosary 7:00 pm Church
- Oct 26 Yearbook Meeting 2 – 3 pm
- Oct 27 October Birthday Out of Uniform
- Oct 28 Report Cards go home  
Grade 4 - Field Trip  
Quilt Club 2 – 4 pm
- Oct 29 Halloween Accessories may be worn  
Report Card Conferences After School
- Oct 30 NO SCHOOL -Teacher In-service
- Nov 2 School in Session
- Nov 4 STUCO 2 – 3 pm  
Academic Team Practice  
Elementary Team 4 – 5:15 Library  
Middle School Team 4 - 5:15 FCC  
SJS AAA Open Meeting – 7:00 pm
- Nov 6 Father Daughter Dance 6 – 9:30 pm  
Noll Hall
- Nov 9 Computer Club 2 – 3 pm
- Nov 11 Academic Team Practices 4 - 5:15pm  
Chess Club 2 – 3:25 pm  
Quilt Club 2 – 4 pm  
Confirmation Class 7 – 8:30 Noll Hall
- Nov 12 PTO Open Meeting 7:00 pm
- Nov 16 Picture Retake Day

## Posted on School Website "Forms" Page

Living Rosary Information  
Saint's Alive Reservation Form  
Entertainment Book Order Form  
Gift Certificate Order Form