



St. Joseph School
A National Blue Ribbon School
October 14, 2009
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Rooted in Christ

Last night our parents attended a meeting for their children who will be receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation. As a Catholic School we are committed to preparing our children spiritually to be “Rooted in Christ.” The Church teaches that “The Sacrament of Reconciliation not only helps form our consciences and strengthens us spiritually, but it also allows us to maintain a close friendship with God and unity with our brothers and sisters in the faith.” In working together with parents we strive to assist the children in understanding the sacrament and guiding them to live according to the example of Christ. Please pray for our families as they journey through this spiritual experience with their children.

Report Card Conferences

Report card conferences will occur after school and into the evening on Thursday, October 29th. **School will not be in session on Friday, October 30th, but will be in session on Monday, November 2nd. There will be sign up sheets in the right nave of the church this weekend for parents to sign up for a specific conference time with their child’s homeroom teacher.** Conferences will be 10 minutes in length. If you feel that you need additional time, please call and make arrangements.

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. 28th. St. Vincent De Paul will have barrels placed in front of the school office for

our collection. Thank you for supporting our project.

Market Day

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

In School Orders due Monday, Oct 19

Internet orders due Thursday, Oct 22

Pick up Tuesday, Oct 27 from 7-8 pm

You may order online at 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.

Gift Certificate Update

Please consider purchasing Skyline certificates in preparation for the St. Joe’s Night at Skyline on Tuesday, October 20.

Skyline Time for St. Joseph School

The October date for St. Joe’s School at Skyline in Crescent Springs will be on Tuesday, October 20 from 5 – 8 pm. Be sure to mention St. Joe’s School when placing your order.

Middle School Academic Team

We are in the process of forming a Middle School Academic Team. This team is for students in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. There will be an informational meeting tonight, Wednesday, October 14 at 6 pm for parents and students in the FCC. Please see attached form for more information.

Wok-A-Thon Shirt Day

If your child/family has turned in a pledge of \$35/\$50 the student should have received a Wok-A-Thon shirt. Students are permitted to wear their shirts to school tomorrow, Oct. 15th. They still must wear uniform slacks, skirts, or jumpers.

Uniform Shorts

Students are not permitted to wear uniform shorts to school after **Friday, October 16th**.

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.**

PTO – News

Don't miss the Father-Daughter Dance that's coming up on November 6th! 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.

Any parents who are free to help with planning for the Father-Daughter Square Dance, please join us tonight, Wednesday, October 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the library for a planning meeting.

The **SJS Wok-a-thon** is just a week and a half away! Don't forget to send in your pledges and qualify your child(ren) for the Wok-a-thon t-shirt.

The PTO is starting a new program this month to recognize the SJS volunteers who are so generous with their time and talents. The **Volunteer of the Month** will be announced each month during the school year and publicly recognized in the hallway at school and in the newsletter. We want to recognize those who work so hard to make our school such a great place to learn. **Please nominate teachers, staff members, and/or parents who volunteer at school and let us know how they are making a difference. Send nominations to PTO President Beth Campbell at bcampbell@fuse.net.**

Wok-A-Thon Volunteers

Please see the "Wok-A-Thon Volunteer Form" on the "Forms" page of the school website to sign up to help.

Attention 8th 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 8th grade parishioners who like to sing or play an instrument. We practice very Thursday from 6-7 PM in church. We sing on the 4th Saturday of every month. On Christmas Eve we are joined by some of our college aged alumni. No signs 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.

Cov Cath Middle School Football

Come watch your classmates play in the championship games on Saturday, October 17 at Dixie Heights High School. The 7th grade Colonels Youth Football team plays at 6 pm in the Small School Championship, and the 8th grade team plays at 8 pm in the Large School Championship. Check our website for additional information at www.eteamz.com/ColonelsYouthFootball.

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.

Calendar

- Oct 14 Middle School Academic Team Meeting
For Parents & Students in FCC - 6 pm
PTO Father/Daughter Planning Meeting
6:30 in the Library
- Oct 19 Computer Club 2 – 3 pm
- Oct 20 Skyline Time 5 – 8 pm
- Oct 21 STUCO 2 – 3 pm
- Oct 23 End of First Quarter
SJS “Wok-A-Thon”
- Oct 26 Yearbook Meeting 2 – 3 pm
- Oct 28 Report Cards go home
Grade 4 - Field Trip
Quilt Club 2 – 4 pm
- Oct 29 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

Attachments

- Athletics Update
- Middle School Academic Team News
- Box Tops News
- Living Rosary Information
- Saint’s Alive Reservation Form

ATHLETIC UPDATE

Congratulations to Coach Summe's 5th grade volleyball team who won the 5th grade volleyball league tournament. Also, congratulations to Coach Doering's 8th grade volleyball team who were runner up in the 8th grade volleyball league tournament.

The volleyball season is wrapping up. Please check your email for volleyball uniform return information and the form to be placed with the uniform. If a uniform is not returned, you will not receive your photos or your volleyball award and/or your report card. If you have any questions about returning the uniform, please contact Mr. Henn at dhenn000@fuse.net.

Girls volleyball banquet is Wednesday, Oct. 21st at 7:00 in Noll Hall

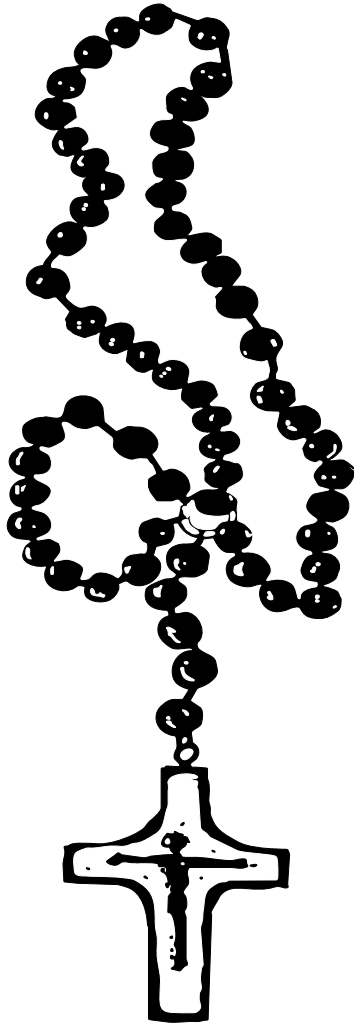
St Joe will again offer Instructional Basketball for boys and girls.

K-2nd graders...on Fridays for 6 weeks starting Oct 16

K-1 grades 6:30-7:15

2nd grades 7:15-8:00

Please contact **Trisha and Mark Gamel** at mtgamel@insightbb.com or 344-1068 if interested.



"THE LIVING ROSARY"

Sunday, October 25, 2009

*7:00 pm to 7:30 pm
in Church*

Everyone is Welcome!

LIVING ROSARY: THE LIVING ROSARY will be held on **Sunday, October 25**, in honor of the Month of the Rosary. We invite all parishioners, their families, and their friends to join us from **7:00 – 7:30 pm** in a darkened church to pray this beautiful prayer. A flashlight will be lit to represent each "bead" as it is prayed. **We need** approximately **80 people** to represent the "beads" as well as many others to fill the pews. "Beads" will NOT have to lead a prayer – only bring a flashlight and arrive by 6:45 pm. **Please contact Linda Abner at Lma114@fuse.net or 331-6838** if you are willing to be a "bead". Everyone of all ages is welcome!

Repeatedly Our Lady asks us to pray for peace – What a better time than now.

COME AND PRAY

St. Joseph's Middle School Academic Team

We are forming a Middle School Academic Team for St. Joseph Students in Grades 6 - 8. This is an excellent way to challenge students and to help them to prepare for high school--and we hope to make it fun. We will be practicing Quick Recall each week and may have the opportunity to scrimmage with other area schools. Quick Recall matches are competitions similar to "Jeopardy!" in which students attempt to buzz in first to answer questions correctly. The questions cover 5 subject areas (Math, Science, Social Studies, Arts and Humanities, and Language Arts). We also plan to participate in the Northern Kentucky Academic League tournament. This will be great preparation for the Governor's Cup competition. The District Governor's Cup competition will be held in January. It includes Quick Recall, written assessment tests in the above 5 subject areas and English Composition.

The Middle School Team is open to any and all students in grades 6 through 8. While the questions cover the 5 subject areas, there are also general interest questions (such as sports, pop culture, music, etc.). Therefore, any student may enjoy participating in the Academic Team.

We will be having an information session for students and their parents at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, October 14 in the FCC to share more information and answer any questions. We will practice every Wednesday, from 4 - 5:15 p.m. beginning on October 21.

Please feel free to contact me with questions prior to the meeting either via e-mail at bfritz1@zoomtown.com or by calling me at 859-341-3609. I am looking forward to getting started!

Barb Fritz

SAINTS ALIVE

November 1, 2009

Immediately following 11:30 a.m. Mass

Noll Hall



Join us for crafts and games. We'll pin the flower in St. Therese's hand, have a saints walk, a wheel of saints, St. Nicholas' chimney, St. Peter's fishing pond and more.

Reservations Requested, but not required:

We will attend:

Name of Child: _____ Age: ____

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I am in junior high or high school and am willing to help with the children or the games:

Name: _____

Phone No.: _____

E-mail: _____

Please return to School, PREP, drop in the collection basket, or mail to Bonnie's attention at the Pastoral Center.

Box Tops for Education

4,300 (\$430) Box Tops have been sent in since school started in August!

Box Tops sent in by Oct. 31 will be included in the Dec. check, so please turn in your Box Tops by **Oct. 21**

Enter the "The Big Clip" sweepstakes every day at **TheBigClip.com** to win up to **500,000 Bonus Box Tops(\$50,000)** for SJS!

Please watch your **cash register slips** for bonuses

Teachers, remember all the **Kleenex** that the kids go through in a year? Please save the BTs located on the bottom before throwing the box away!

Avery Office products now have Box Tops too!