

Weekly Newsletter

October 2, 2016

From the Principal's Desk

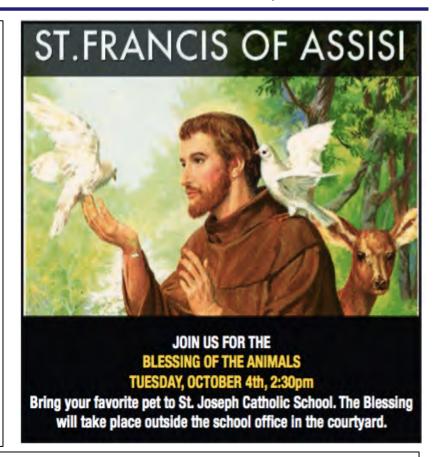
BLESSING OF PETS – OCTOBER 4th

Join us in the school courtyard at 2:40 pm for the St. Francis Day Blessing of the Pets. (Please do not park or block the carpool line areas.)

The courtyard gates will open at 2:30 pm. Each grade will be assigned to a specific area, and signs will be in place to indicate the grade level and area. Please join your child/children in their designated area. Older students will be permitted to join parents and younger siblings.

Students may leave with their families immediately following the blessing. (Please make sure your child knows you are planning to attend.)

All other students will return to classrooms and prepare to go to carpool lines for regular dismissal.



Countdown to the Carnival....38 days until the fun begins!

The Saint Joseph 4th Annual Carnival Spectacular is coming to town November 10-13, on the church and school campus. Our amazing committee is hard at work preparing for this special event that benefits our school! Don't forget to tell all your family and friends, and remind them to buy their ride wristbands early to save money. Remember, a higher percentage of our sales go to the school with pre-sale tickets. We have several family packages offered this year to save our families money.

Have you visited our new Carnival website? www.sjscarnival.org Remember to check off your Pre-Carnival To-Do:

- 1. Buy your discounted pre-sale wristbands and food/game tickets.
- 2. Register for volunteer hours on Signupgenius by visiting our school website at www.sjsfl.org and selecting the current Volunteer Opportunties option.
- 3. Mark you calendar for Nov. 10-13 and bring all your friends and family.

Questions? Contact carnival@sjsfl.org

Box Tops for Education and Labels for Education Drawing!

Dear St. Joseph Families,

Just in time to kick off the Holidays, starting Friday, September 30th through Monday October 10th, for every 10 Box Tops or Labels for Education that are turned in, your family will receive an <u>entry for a chance to WIN a Family Game Night Party</u> Pack!

The Family Game Night Party Pack is compliments of Manatee Memorial Hospital and is over a \$100 Value! It includes drinks, snacks, and games that are fun for the entire family!

To enter, simply place 10 Box Tops OR Labels for Education into a resealable bag along with your Family's Name and Phone Number. Then bring your bag(s) to the office. There will be a container near the basket for you to place your marked bags.

You can enter as many times as you like as long as you have multiples of 10. PLEASE make a new zip lock bag for each entry along with a piece of paper with the Family name and phone number for easier tracking.

Plus this is only for a limited time, so be sure to look in your drawers, in your cabinets, and clean out those pantries!

Any questions, feel free to email me at carleeac1976@tampabay.rr.com or call (941) 713-4592.

Thank you so much for participating and GOOD LUCK!

Carlee Colonneso, on behalf of the Box Tops and Labels for Education Committee



PTO Meeting – Tuesday, October 4th – 8:30 am St. Joseph Room

Join our PTO Officers for an information meeting following morning prayers. Enjoy some time to review upcoming events and share ideas. Tea and cookies will be available.

In addition, PTO has set up an information webpage which is now linked to our school website under the Parent Tab. This site will be for upcoming PTO events. It is new, and is still in the creation process, but the Little Pros Soccer Dates and times are listed on the front page. To access the page directly, go to: https://ptosjsfl.wordpress.com

Spanish Homework Help Available

After School on Fridays from 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Grades 6 through 8

Contact Mrs. Hussey for more information.

New Garden Club will begin meeting

After School on Mondays from 3:00 – 4:00 pm.

Students in Grades 5 – 8 are invited to register.

Please contact Mrs. Hussey for details.

This Week's Sports Activities

Monday

3:00 - 4:00 pm Varsity Volleyball practice

Tuesday

3:00 - 5;00 pm Boys Basketball Tryouts 4:00 pm Varsity Volleyball Playoffs at Woodmere Park, 3951 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice, FL 34293

Wednesday

3:00 - 5:00 pm Girls & Boys Basketball Tryouts

Thursday

3:00 – 5:00 pm Basketball Practce

3:15 – 4:15 pm Little Pros Soccer (Grades 3 – 5)

Friday

Nothing!



After School Programs

Monday

Violin/Strings Class

3:00 - 3:45 pm in the Music Room

Legion of Mary (Grades 3 – 8)

3:00 – 4:00 pm (Meet in the Courtyard to go

to the Parish Center)

Intermediate Guitar 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Church Choir Room

Tuesday

St. Joseph Honors Choir – Grades 4 to 8

3:00 – 3:45 pm Church Choir Room

Wednesday

Beginning Guitar - 3:00 - 4:00 pm Church Choir Room

Thursday

Grace Notes – Primary Choir – Grades K – 3

3:00 - 3:45 pm Music Room

Intermediate Guitar 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Church Choir Room

Friday

Odyssey of the Mind - Science Room

3:00 – 4:00 pm (First Meeting)

ODYSSEY OF THE MIND – Beginning October 7th!

Odyssey of the Mind is a worldwide creative problem solving competition. Schools purchase memberships, which entitle them to problems in five different subject areas. The students work in teams of five to seven members, and compete in divisions based upon age.

Teams compete on three levels, long-term, spontaneous and style. In the long term competition the team delivers an eight-minute performance to solve their problem, which students have worked on for months. The spontaneous competition counts for roughly half of the score, and is given to the team only minutes before they are to solve it.

The five different subject areas of competition include drama, classical, technical, vehicular, and structure. The long-term portion of the problem requires a lot of time to solve. Teams typically meet once a week in the beginning, and more often as they prepare for the regional competition in the spring.

St. Joseph Catholic School invites students, in grades 6 through 8, who are self-motivated, dedicated and creative. Coaches guide the teams, but the teams must do all of their own work and develop their own solutions. If additional team members can be accommodated, interested students in grade 5 are given consideration.

We are grateful to this year's coaches: Mr. John Sitterly, Dr. Maria Pardo, and Mrs. Krystyn Guilmette. If interested, additional parents are welcome to coach and assist. Please contact the school office for more information.

Our Odyssey of the Mind teams will meet each week on Friday, after school, from 3:00 to 4:00 pm in the Science Room. Students may go directly to the Science Room at dismissal. Hopefully, this new time will prevent conflicts with sports and other after school activities. Our first meeting will be on October 7th and parents are welcome to attend.

Odyssey of the Mind is a fabulous program that gives students an opportunity to take creative risks, to learn new skills, to work as a team, and to discover that there is more than one solution to any problem.

Last year, St. Joseph Catholic School had two teams advance to the State Level! Please join us for St. Joseph Catholic School Odyssey of the Mind 2016-2017! Please return the attached permission form by Thursday, October 6th.

Congratulations – St. Joseph Students Advancing to Regional Soccer Challenge

As top scorers, four St. Joseph students will be advancing to the Regional Soccer Challenge on Saturday, October 22nd at St. Andrew Parish in Cape Coral, Florida!

| Age 9 Girls | Olivia O'Connor |
|--------------|-----------------|
| Age 10 Boys | Joey Colonneso |
| Age 11 Boys | Jonah Timmons |
| Age 12 Girls | Sarah Verdelia |

5:30 PM Youth Mass

Youth Group BBQ Chicken Dinner

Thank you to our families who have been attending the 5:30 pm Youth Mass. It is wonderful to see so many of our students involved in the liturgy,

The Youth Group meets after this Mass, and has been growing in numbers as well.

The Youth Group will be sponsoring a Chicken Barbeque Dinner. Tickets can be purchased after the Masses or in the Parish Office. Proceeds will benefit the Youth groups' Mission Trip during the summer.



HOT LUNCH MENU

| .Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
|--|---|---|--|---------------------------|
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Beef Soft Tacos Black Beans Spanish Rice Monferey Jack Cheese Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Ranch-Style Cheeseburger Macaroni & Cheese Rustic Cornbread Gingered Carrots Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Beef Picadillo Beef Tips with Spanish Rice Peas and Peppers Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Turkey Meatballs Fresh, Homemade Turkey Gravy Yukon Gold Mashed Potato Fresh Vegetable & Fruit | Spirit Day Pizza Lunch |

FRIDAY: Spirit Day – Pizza Lunch! Don't forget to return order forms.

Volunteers Needed: http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d44a4a72daaff2-pizza2

Thank you for your help!

Still want to get a Spirit Shirt?

We will be sending an order on October 7th.

Please return the attached form to the school office.

Campus Highlights



Fifth graders in Mrs. Curran's room wrote letters to their favorite authors. Two students compared letters they received from J.K. Rowling. They had fun translating the Latin letterhead to English and discovered J.K. Rowling's message: "Don't Tickle a Sleeping Dragon!"

While the older students gather at the flagpole each morning, our prek students take turns leading the Pledge of Allegiance and prayers in their classrooms.





Mrs. O'Shea's class created their new fall friend, Scarecrow Happy. He puts a smile on everyone's face!

Third Grade Students Enjoyed a Tasty Science Lesson

What a great way to learn measurement, following directions, as well as chemical and physical reactions!









Thank you to our volunteers!

2016-2017 PARENT / GUARDIAN CONSENT FORM St. Joseph Catholic School - Odyssey of the Mind

| PARTICIPANTS NAMI | <u> </u> | | |
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| BIRTH DATE | SEX | GRADE | |
| PARENT / GUARDIAN | NAME | | |
| HOME ADDRESS | | | |
| HOME PHONE | | BUSINESS PHONE | |
| | | E-mail | |
| To Be Completed by | the Parent/Gu | ardian: | |
| I, | | , grant permission for my child | |
| | areas as arrang | d. I understand that this activity can be held on and off sced by the coaches/advisors) and will be under the guidance aches. | |
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| As parent, and/or leg | gal guardian, I r | emain legally responsible for any actions taken by the abo | ve named young person |
| lodging, meals, mileathe assumption of co | age, competitic osts associated | dyssey of the Mind included but not limited to registration fees for all local, state and world competitions (if applica with all awards and all material and costume fees. (Please total for the entire team.) | able). This also includes |
| responsibility for the | health of my o | | |
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| • • | | he event of an emergency, I hereby give permission to tra urgical treatment. I wish to be advised prior to any furthe | , , |
| Emergency contact: | In the event o | an emergency, if you are unable to reach me at the above | e phone numbers, call |
| NAME & RELATIONS | HIP: | PHONE | |
| FAMILY DOCTOR: | | PHONE | |
| FAMILY HEALTH PLA | N CARRIER: | POLICY NUMBER: | |
| Parent/Guardian Si | gnature | Date | |

Saint Joseph Catholic School Spirit Shirt Order Form

Each shirt is \$13, or 4 shirts for \$45. Please return the order form with cash or check payable to "Saint Joseph Catholic School" to the front office. We will distribute them to the oldest child when received. WE NOW HAVE 4 COLOR CHOICES AVAILABLE!

| Navy Blue | Lime Green | Hot Pink | Red |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Child Sizes | Child Sizes | <u>Child Sizes</u> | <u>Child Sizes</u> |
| YS 6-8 | YS 6-8 | YS 6-8 | YS 6-8 |
| YM 10-12 | YM 10-12 | YM 10-12 | YM 10-12 |
| YL 14-16 | YL 14-16 | YL 14-16 | YL 14-16 |
| Adult Regular T-Shirt | Adult Regular T-Shirt | Adult Regular T-Shirt | Adult Regular T-Shirt |
| Small | Small | Small | Small |
| Medium | Medium | Medium | Medium |
| Large | Large | Large | Large |
| XL | XL | XL | XL |
| 2XL | 2XL | 2XL | 2XL |
| 3XL | 3XL | 3XL | 3XL |
| Women's V-neck | Women's U-neck | Women's U-neck | Women's U-neck |
| (students are not permitted to | Small | Small | Small |
| wear v neck) | Medium | Medium | Medium |
| Small | Large | Large | Large |
| Medium | X Large | X Large | X Large |
| Large | | | Women's V-neck (students are |
| X Large | | | not permitted to wear v neck) |
| | | | Small |
| Total Shirts: Student | Amount Due: | Paid: | Medium |
| Name: | Parent Name: | Phone #: | Large |
| Grade: | | | X Large |

Nutrition Kitchen's October Menu

| .Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
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| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Beef Soft Tacos Black Beans Spanish Rice Monterey Jack Cheese Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Ranch-Style Cheeseburger Macaroni & Cheese Rustic Cornbread Gingered Carrots Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Beef Picadillo Beef Tips with Spanish Rice Peas and Peppers Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Turkey Meatballs Fresh, Homemade Turkey Gravy Yukon Gold Mashed Potato Fresh Vegetable & Fruit | FRIDAY PIZZA DAY! French Bread Cheese Pizza Penne Marinara Fresh Vegetable Seasonal Fruit |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| Chicken Parmesan Hawaiian Roll Fresh Broccoli Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Rustic Meatloaf Smashed Yukon Potatoes Parmesan Broccoli Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Beef Stroganoff Egg Noodles Mushrooms Corn Bread Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Lemon Chicken & Wild Rice Hawaiian Roll Corn & Pea Medley Fresh Seasonal Fruit | FRIDAY PIZZA DAY! French Bread Cheese Pizza Penne Marinara Fresh Vegetable Seasonal Fruit |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| Sesame Beef Asian Sesame Beef with Jasmine Rice Ginger Carrots Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Meatballs in Marinara Mashed Yukon Potatoes Sweet Peas Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Parmesan & Basil Pesto Penne Sweet Peas Garlic Bread Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Chicken, Broccoli & Cheese Rice Bake Hawaiian Roll Corn & Pea Medley Fresh Seasonal Fruit | FRIDAY PIZZA DAY! French Bread Cheese Pizza Penne Marinara Fresh Vegetable Seasonal Fruit |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| Rigatoni with Sweet Sausage Marinara Sauteed Green Beans Garlic Bread Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Chicken Soft Tacos Black Beans Spanish Rice Monterey Jack Cheese Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Country Ham Steak Macaroni & Cheese Curried Corn Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Three Cheese Penne Primavera Vegetable Medley Garlic Bread Fresh Seasonal Fruit | FRIDAY PIZZA DAY! French Bread Cheese Pizza Penne Marinara Fresh Vegetable Fresh Seasonal Fruit |
| 31 | Nov. 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Roasted Turkey & Gravy Mashed Potatoes Herbed Stuffing Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Chicken Penne Alfredo Sauteed Green Beans Garlic Bread Fresh Seasonal Fruil | Swedish Meatballs Sauteed Green Beans Mashed Potatoes Fresh Seasonal Fruit | Beef Taco "Lasagna" Yellow Rice Corn & Pea Medley Fresh Seasonal Fruit | FRIDAY PIZZA DAY! French Bread Cheese Pizza Penne Marinara Fresh Vegetable Seasonal Fruit |