



# St. Joseph Catholic School

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Weekly Newsletter – February 10, 2019

From the Principal's Desk

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## MISSION STATEMENT

Rooted in Catholic faith, and committed to academic excellence, St. Joseph Catholic School develops personal responsibility, character, service, and leadership

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### **Father-Daughter Dance – Saturday, February 16th** ***Under the Sea***



Don't forget to get your tickets for this annual event. Our PTO committee is working hard to prepare for this year's exciting dance and activities.

The Father-Daughter Dance is approaching quickly, and we are seeking refreshment donations, as well as looking for Volunteers for this school event! As a reminder, every \$10 spent on items counts as 1 volunteer hour.

Please visit the SignUp Genius link below for more details and thank you for your support!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/underthesea>

SJCS PTO Board  
(Please see the attached flyer for more information.)



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### **\$10,000 Grand Raffle Sales**

Thank you to the families who have picked up their tickets for our Grand Raffle. Congratulations to those families who have already sold all of their required tickets and are still selling!

Don't miss out on selling opportunities. If you have not picked up your tickets or requested to have them sent home with a student, please contact the school office as soon as possible. Each family is required to sell \$500 in tickets. If you choose not to sell and plan to pay for the tickets instead, you may want to put your name on the tickets to have a chance to win one of the prizes.

To view current selling opportunities, visit our school website at [www.sjsfl.org](http://www.sjsfl.org). On the right side of the homepage, you will see an area entitled "Links". Choose "Current Volunteer Opportunities" to see a list of volunteer areas where selling help is still needed.

Students of families who have met their goal by February 19<sup>th</sup> will enjoy a cookie decorating party on February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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**Step Up for Students  
Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Application (FTC)  
is now available for the 2019 – 2020 school year**



If you are seeking scholarship assistance for the 2019 – 2020 school year, you will need to apply at once for a scholarship. Applications are now being accepted for the 2019 - 2020 school year. This registration is for families who are new to the scholarship. All renewals should have been completed by now. IF YOU WERE WAITLISTED last year, you must apply immediately. You will be given priority for only a short time. These scholarships go quickly, so do not delay. Once you have complete your application, check the website frequently to make sure all forms and information have been accepted, and no additional information is needed. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

**STEP UP FOR STUDENTS FTC APPLICATIONS: [www.stepupforstudents.org](http://www.stepupforstudents.org)**

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**Thank you to everyone who volunteered and supported the  
St. Joseph Youth Group Rummage Sale**



Don't forget to check out additional photos throughout the week on our FaceBook site!

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## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Donut Sale



We are so sorry for all of the changes last week! The Youth Group Rummage Sale was being set up in the Parish Center and we had to eat lunch in classrooms on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Thankfully, we will be back to normal this week! Thank you for your understanding and patience!

Our 8<sup>th</sup> graders WILL BE selling donuts this week during lunch on THURSDAY. Donuts are in packages of four for \$1.00. Please support our students as they make their end-of-year plans!

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## St. Valentine's Day - Thursday, February 14

In honor of St. Valentine, students may wear pink, red, and/or white with uniform skorts, shorts, or slacks and school shoes.



We celebrate Valentine's Day with parties and treats. But who was St. Valentine, and why is he remembered as the Patron Saint of Love? Saint Valentine was a Catholic priest who had also worked as a doctor. He lived in Italy during the third century AD and served as a priest in Rome. Valentine became famous for marrying Christian couples who were in love but couldn't get legally married in Rome during the reign of Emperor Claudius II, who outlawed weddings. When Emperor Claudius discovered that Valentine was performing weddings, he sent Valentine to jail. Valentine used his time in jail to continue to reach out to people with the love that he said Jesus Christ gave him for others.

When Valentine refused to renounce his Christian faith and worship the Roman gods, Emperor

Claudius sentenced Valentine to die. Before he was killed, Valentine wrote a last note to encourage Julia, a young Christian girl, to stay close to Jesus and to thank her for being his friend. He signed the note: "From your Valentine." That note inspired people to begin writing their own loving messages to people each year on February 14th, the day on which Valentine was martyred.

People who remembered his loving service to many young couples began celebrating his life, and he came to be regarded as a saint through whom God had worked to help people in miraculous ways. By 496, Pope Gelasius designated February 14th as St. Valentine's official feast day.

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## Weekly Activities

### Monday, February 11

- 3:00 pm Jr. Legion of Mary
- 3:00 – 5:00 pm Odyssey of the Mind
- 3:00 – 4:00 pm Choir Practice

### Tuesday, February 12

- 3:00 – 4:00 pm Intermediate Guitar
- 3:00 – 4:00 pm K-Kids Meeting
- 3:30 – 4:30 pm Tennis Pro Academy at G.T. Bray Courts
- 4:00 pm Soccer Game – Away vs Imagine North Manatee  
9275 49<sup>th</sup> Ave E, Palmetto

### Wednesday, February 13

- 8:00 am School Mass
- 3:00 – 4:30 pm Play Practice – Aladdin Cast – St. Joseph Room
- 3:00 – 4:00 pm Beginning Guitar

### Thursday, February 14 – Valentine's Day

- 8:15 am NED Show in the Parish Center (Re-scheduled)
- 3:00 - 4:00 pm Irish Dance (Class is filled) – St. Joseph Room
- 3:00 – 4:15 pm Intermediate Guitar
- 3:00 – 4:00 pm Garden Club
- 3:00 – 4:00 pm Chess Club – Mrs. Ferguson's Room
- 4:00 – 5:00 pm Tennis Pro Academy at G.T. Bray Courts
- 3:00 – 4:45 pm Soccer Game – Away vs Imagine Lakewood Ranch  
5500 Lakewood Ranch Blvd, Bradenton

### Friday, February 15

- 11:30 am **Early Dismissal for Staff Development Meeting**  
**NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE**

### Saturday, February 16

- 6:30 – 8:00 pm Father-Daughter Dance – Parish Center

**Monday – No School**



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**February 18, 2019**

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St. Joseph Catholic School Hot  
Lunch Order  
February 11 – February 15  
(One order per student)

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Homeroom: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Monday 2/11	_____ Hamburger Baked Beans Cherry Tomatoes with Dip Applesauce Cup Milk and Juice	\$3.50
Tuesday, 2/12	_____ Chicken Dippers Breadsticks Honey Glazed Carrots Mini Romaine Salad Peach Cup Milk and Juice	\$3.50
Wednesday 2/13	_____ Sausage Mini Pancakes Sweet Potato Fries Florida Peppers with Dip Mixed Fruit Milk and Juice	\$3.50
Thursday, 2/14	_____ Corn Dogs Mashed Potatoes Cucumber with Dip Warm Cinnamon Apples Valentine's Treat Milk and Juice	\$3.50
Friday, 2/15	_____ NO HOT LUNCH 11:30 Dismissal – NO AFTER CARE Staff Development	

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_ (Charge to FACTS)

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_





# Father-Daughter Dance



An Evening Under The Sea

Saturday February 16, 2019

6:30-8:00 pm

St. Joseph's Parish Center

Admission: Advance Price \$10 Per Person  
At the door, \$15 Per Person

Dress up with your dance shoes and celebrate this fun nautical evening with Dad, Grandpa, or a Male Family Friend!

Make special memories with...

★ Great Music ★ Under the Sea Craft ★ Photo Booth

★ Drinks and Snacks ★ Dancing ★ Candy Bar

★ \$10 Professional Photography

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

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Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Chaperone: \_\_\_\_\_

#Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

Check# \_\_\_\_\_

Cash \_\_\_\_\_

FACTS \_\_\_\_\_

