



Weekly Newsletter

September 12, 2016

From the Principal's Desk

Message from Our Superintendent Regarding Storm Make Up Dates

Hurricane Hermine created quite an impact on our northern schools last week, resulting in closures on Thursday for some, and Friday for all. As a result of the Hurricane, Governor Scott declared a State of Emergency for Florida. Based on the State's requirements for school contact hours, of which your school significantly exceeds, and the legal significance of the State of Emergency, your school will not have to make-up the days of closure.

Yours in Christ,
Kristy Swol, Ed. D.
Director of Education
Superintendent of Schools
Diocese of Venice

PTO Meeting Moved to Tuesday September 13th

Our PTO meeting was canceled because of the recent storms. Our meeting has been rescheduled for Tuesday, September 13th in the St. Joseph Room. We will begin after Morning Prayer.

Join us for coffee and cookies!

Come and discuss the yearly PTO events, meet our interested leaders for these events, get updates from the other PTO committees, and enjoy grand conversation.

Hope to see you this Tuesday.

If you have questions, please contact Courtney and Jeff Grieneisen at pto@sjsfl.org.

Student Council Officers 2016-2017

Staff Leader: Mrs. Owens

President: Jenna Venditti
Vice-President: Trent Goneau
Secretary: Coral Bell
Treasurer: Alina Chacko
Spirit Chair: Hannah Ferguson

Representatives:
6th – Alyson Folkens
7th – Gia Russo
8th – Brendan Early

Faith in Action – Mercy Matters

Community service is an important part of our Catholic faith tradition, and an important part of an St. Joseph Catholic School education. Our School encourages students to put their faith into action in accord with Catholic social teaching - respecting the sanctity of life and dignity of others, responding to the call to participate in the family and community, placing priority on the needs of the poor and the most vulnerable in society, building unity among people, and caring for God's creation. Our students have opportunities for service throughout the year.

From September 12th – September 30th, we will be collecting canned tuna and other canned meats to assist the Food Pantry. Students may bring these items to their classrooms. The class with the largest number of donated items will assist with delivery to the Food Pantry. Thank you for your generosity.

Giving Challenge Countdown

1 Week and 1 Day



Christmas Cards

St. Joseph Catholic School is partnering with Kids are Stars to create Christmas Cards for family and friends. Miss McKeithen has been working with the art classes, as students have been planning and drafting their ideas to prepare for print. Our young artists are creating some beautiful pieces to share the true meaning of Christmas.



LAST EVENING TO VOTE FOR ST. JOSEPH AS YOUR COOL SCHOOL!

Bradenton Macaroni Kid is proud to partner with PDQ Bradenton: Lakewood Ranch, on the 2nd Annual Cool School / Teacher Appreciation Luncheon contest!

How does the contest work?

In the past two weeks, there were 45 Manatee County schools nominated for the Cool School Award. The official voting is NOW OPEN and will remain open through Sunday, September 11 at 11:59PM.

PLEASE, ONLY ONE VOTE PER EMAIL ADDRESS.

**** YOU CAN VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE SCHOOL HERE **** or <http://bit.ly/2btGqWy>

You can help your favorite school win by SHARING this contest with your friends, neighbors and families and encouraging them to vote, too! When the contest is over, the school with the most votes WINS!

HOT LUNCH

<p>12 Baked Ziti with Ricotta & Mozzarella Sauteed Green Beans Garlic Bread Fresh Seasonal Fruit</p>	<p>13 Beef Soft Tacos Black Beans Spanish Rice Monterey Jack Cheese Fresh Seasonal Fruit</p>	<p>14 Lemon Chicken & Wild Rice Wild Rice Blend Gingered Carrots Fresh Seasonal Fruit</p>	<p>15 Yankee Pot Roast Mushrooms & Carrots Roasted New Potatoes Normandy Vegetables Fresh Seasonal Fruit</p>	<p>16 FRIDAY PIZZA DAY! Penne Marinara Seasoned Broccoli Fresh Seasonal Fruit</p>
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This Week's After School Activities

Volleyball

Tuesday 4:00 PM Volleyball JV Away Game
SJCS vs. TCS
5:00 PM Volleyball Varsity Away Game
SJCS vs. TCS
Wednesday 3:00 – 5:00 PM Volleyball Practice
Thursday 4:00 PM Volleyball Home Game
SJCS vs. ISLWR

Flag Football

Tuesday 4:00 PM Flag Football Away Game
SJCS vs. TCS
Wednesday 3:00 – 5:00 PM Flag Football Practice
Thursday 4:00 PM Flag Football Home Game
SJCS vs. ISLWR

Cross County

Check with your coach regarding this week's schedule.

After School Music Programs

Monday

Violin/Strings Class
3:00 – 3:45 pm in the Music Room
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 1 – 3
3:00 – 3:45 pm Music Room
Intermediate Guitar 3:00 – 4:00 pm
Church Choir Room

Congratulations to our sports teams and their coaches on a great start to the season!

Our Flag Football team won both games on Tuesday when they played Imagine North Manatee, with a score of 20 to 6. Thursday they won in their game against Manatee Charter School with a score of 32 to 12.

Our Volleyball girls won their games 25 to 5 and 25 to 11 when they played against the North Manatee team.

Most importantly all of our players showed great spirit and teamwork in all of the games!

School Mass – 8:00 am

Wednesday, September 14th

All Students are dropped off at Church – Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend!

Please remind students to enter quietly to respect those praying before Mass.



24-HOUR GIVING CHALLENGE

Tuesday, September 20 Noon to Wednesday, September 21 Noon

All donations will be matched by The Patterson Foundation. So Be the One to make an impact on students!

New Donors

(who did not donate to St. Joseph Catholic School during the Giving Challenge last year)

Donation is matched 2:1 up to \$100

(Example: \$100 donation + \$200 match = \$300)

Returning Donors

(who donated to St. Joseph Catholic School during the Giving Challenge last year)

Donation is matched 1:1 up to \$100

(Example: \$100 donation + \$100 match = \$200)

Here's how to BE THE ONE!

- Have your credit or debit card ready
- \$25 minimum donation
- Go to www.GivingPartnerChallenge.org
- Search/Find St. Joseph School
- Follow all directions exactly
- Make donation
- Pat yourself on the back for **Being the One!**

Support St. Joseph Catholic School - the only Catholic school in Manatee County!

PLUS Your donation of \$100 or more will be matched by Steve and Jennifer Ierulli and family up to \$25,000!

If you need assistance...

Come to the St. Joseph Catholic Church Parish Center between 8:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 21. Staff and volunteers will help you make your donation. Stay for donuts and juice!