

October 9, 2016

From the Principal's Desk

## Blessing of the Pets!

Thank you to everyone who brought their pets and participated in our Blessing of the Pets on the Feast of St. Francis! Our feathered, scaled, and furry friends seemed very happy on our campus!



All God's creatures  
great and small!



## FROM THE CARNIVAL COMMITTEE - 31 DAYS AND COUNTING!!!

The Bingo organizers are looking for assistance with obtaining acquisition items that can be used as bingo prizes. If you have new items at home that you wish to donate that would be great. Maybe you own a business, have friends that own a business, or have connections within the community. We are asking for anyone who can reach out to others and ask them if they would be willing to donate something that can be used as a Bingo prize. All donations are tax deductible and they will receive a thank you letter for tax purposes.

Common items that are donated are: golf games for 4, photography sessions, salon services, nail services, yoga classes, oil changes, house cleaning services, restaurant gift certificates, gym memberships, memberships to local organizations and theatre groups, Thirty-One bags and other multi-level marketing items, and gift cards. The common donation amount is between \$25-\$50 dollars but we would be pleased to receive higher end donations that can be used as the grand prize for the night. Maybe you have a condo or know someone who owns rentals on the island, these are great prizes. We are not asking anyone to spend money but to reach out to people you know. Any donation that is submitted with a value of \$50 or more will earn you one volunteer hour per \$50.00 donated value.

Melanie Bell, Carnival Chairperson

## Box Tops for Education and Labels for Education Drawing! Don't forget to turn in labels on Monday!

Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, is the last day to submit labels for the drawing. For every 10 Box Tops or Labels for Education that are turned in, your family will receive an entry for a chance to WIN a Family Game Night Party 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.

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

Thank you so much for participating and GOOD LUCK!

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



## Parent-Teacher Conferences Thursday, October 13, 1:00 – 5:30 PM

Students will be dismissed at 12:00 Noon. Parent-Teacher Conferences will begin at 1:00 pm for parents of students in grades K through 8. Please use our SignUp Genius to select the time for your conference/s. We have posted the link on our School website, [www.sjsfl.org](http://www.sjsfl.org); on the Parent Portal; and the link is provided below for your convenience. Please use the tabs at the top of the page to find the correct grade/s or subjects.

An email alert with this information was sent to all families last week.

We are looking forward to meeting with our parents next week.

Sign-Up Link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d44a4a72daaff2-kindergarten>

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### After Care Available on Thursday

School will be dismissed at Noon. After Care will be available until 6:00 pm for students who need to stay. All students remaining on campus after the noon dismissal will need to bring their lunch and report to the after care room.

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#### This Week's Sports Activities

##### **Monday**

3:00 -4:00 pm Cross Country practice  
3:00 -4:55 pm Boys and Girls basketball practice

##### **Tuesday**

3:00 - 4:55 pm Boys and Girls basketball practice  
3:00 - 4:15pm Little pros soccer grades K-2

##### **Wednesday**

4:00 pm Cross Country meet at St. Joseph  
(Thank you to all those who have  
volunteered to help!)

##### **Thursday**

**Noon Dismissal - Parent Teacher Conferences**  
12:00 – 3:00 pm Cheerleading Practice (Please  
bring a lunch)

##### **Friday**

**NO SCHOOL**  
**(Teacher Professional Development Day)**

#### 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  
Garden Club (Grades 4 – 8)  
3:00 – 4:00 pm (Directed by Mrs. Hussey)

##### **Tuesday**

St. Joseph Honors Choir – Grades 4 to 8  
3:00 – 3:45 pm Church Choir Room  
Odyssey of the Mind – Information Meeting  
3:00 – 4:00 pm St. Joseph Room

##### **Wednesday**

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

##### **Thursday**

Noon Dismissal – Parent/Teacher Conferences

##### **Friday**

No School – Staff Development Meeting

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## Odyssey of the Mind

The organizational meeting has been moved to Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm in the Science Room. Regular Odyssey Meetings will be on Fridays. Since there is no school this Friday, our Tuesday meeting will be an organizational meeting. (Students who cannot attend this meeting should see Ms. Suddarth for a brief orientation.)

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## Spirit Day and Pizza – Moved to Friday, October 21st

Due to the cancellation of school last Friday, our Spirit Day has moved to Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.

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## Safe Environment Class Saturday, October 22 at 9:00 am (Use the South Gate for Entry to the Campus)

This is a required class for all volunteers who work with children on our campus. Please register if you plan to assist at school parties, attend field trips, serve as a coach, or assist with on campus events throughout the school year. There is no cost for this class. Please contact Dean Klabik to register.

## Volunteer Hours

Each family is required to complete 20 volunteer hours during the school year. I realize many of you far exceed this number, and we are grateful for your support. Several parents have asked about the Volunteer Hours Form. It is posted on the Parent Portal and the website. The form is attached this week for your convenience, and as a reminder. Once again, thank you to ALL of our volunteers for your many hours of service and support!

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### 5:30 PM Youth Mass

### Youth Group – Looking for Bass Guitar

If you have a bass guitar that can be borrowed or purchased by St. Joseph Catholic Church for the youth group, please contact Cami Wyatt at [camiwyatt@gmail.com](mailto:camiwyatt@gmail.com) for more information.



**BBQ Chicken Dinner**  
to benefit the St. Joseph Parish Youth Group

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15**  
4:00pm - 7:00pm\*

**St. Joseph Church Parish Center**  
Dine in or Carry Out  
The menu includes your choice of  
BBQ or grilled chicken, baked beans,  
cole slaw, roll, beverage and dessert.

**\$8.00** Adults  
**\$5.00** Children under 12  
Tickets sold at the door  
and after Masses in October

\* or until sold out

The poster features a circular image of BBQ chicken, a set of silverware (spoon, knife, fork) tied with a red ribbon, and a red ribbon graphic at the bottom.

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## HOT LUNCH MENU

10	11	12	13	14
<b>Chicken Parmesan</b> Hawaiian Roll Fresh Broccoli Fresh Seasonal Fruit	<b>Rustic Meatloaf</b> Smashed Yukon Potatoes Parmesan Broccoli Fresh Seasonal Fruit	<b>Beef Stroganoff</b> Egg Noodles Mushrooms Corn Bread Fresh Seasonal Fruit	No Lunch <b>NOON DISMISSAL</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> <b>PROFESSIONAL</b> <b>DEVELOPMENT DAY</b>

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**Thank you to everyone who collected canned tuna and meat for the Food Pantry.  
Our seventh graders won with 148 cans! The total for the school was 486!**

**We have been asked to collect long sleeved shirts for the migrant workers.  
We will begin collecting this week through the end of October.  
Students may bring the shirts to their classrooms, and the shirts will be sent to the office.  
Thank you for your support for those in need.**



**St. Joseph Catholic School**  
**Parent Volunteer Form 2015 - 2016**  
**DUE BY April 29, 2016**

Thank you for volunteering your time in support of the programs and activities of Saint Joseph Catholic School. Community ties at school are strengthened by parents working together to make our school the best that it can be for our students and families. Your volunteer service hours also defray some school operating costs.

Parents' positive participation in the life of St. Joseph Catholic School sends a strong message to our children about your family's commitment to education and the community.

There are many ways to get involved at our school: assisting in the classroom, chaperoning field trips, serving on the various boards and committees, and participating in events and activities. We also encourage our families to volunteer and support our major fundraising activities. Please watch for volunteer opportunities throughout the school year.

Volunteers bring ideas, energy and expertise, and are an essential part of what makes our school great.

Date of Service	Project/Event	Your Role/Responsibility	Volunteer Name (Parent/Relative)	Number of Hours

\_\_\_\_\_  
FAMILY NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

TOTAL HOURS: \_\_\_\_\_

RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE WHEN COMPLETE.  
UNMET HOURS WILL BE BILLED AT \$20.00 PER HOUR (UP TO \$250)