

April 22, 2017

From the Principal's Desk

School Resumes on Monday, April 24th!

Easter is a time of new beginnings, rebirth, and the promise of eternal life for each of us. It is my hope that your Easter was a day filled with joy and blessings. We were grateful for the gift of time to enjoy family and friends during our Easter Break.

Sadly, however, it is at this time of year when teachers realize that the school year is quickly coming to an end. Our calendar for the next five weeks is filled with many activities. Please take time to review carefully to fully participate in the end of the school year with our school family. We only have twenty-five more days of school!

Attached to our newsletter, is our 2017-2018 school year calendar. This calendar is also posted on our school website. Our calendar is approved by the Diocese of Venice and is the same for Cardinal Mooney High School, St. Martha, St. Mary, Incarnation, and Epiphany Catholic Schools. School will begin on August 10th next year.

Earth Day Campus Planting Project



Earth Day is an opportunity to thank God for the beauty that surrounds us each day. At St. Joseph Catholic School we are blessed with a beautiful campus and green spaces. Because of Easter break, our children will be celebrating Earth Day on Tuesday, April 25th. Students, teachers, and parents will be planting flowers in the courtyard areas around our campus.

SignUp Genius is available if you are interested in volunteering and assisting our students as they plant in their assigned areas. We are also in need of a few garden items and are looking for volunteers to lend these items for the day.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d44a4a72daaff2-earth>

We express our thanks to K-Kids and our Student Council members who will be assisting in special roles during the day.

STUDENT DRESS FOR TUESDAY: Students may wear P.E. shorts and shoes with Spirit Shirts or P.E. Shirts.

Don't forget to get your tickets for
this exciting family celebration!



Grand Raffle Drawing
"A Night in Venice"
St. Joseph Catholic School



Menu

*Spaghetti, Salad,
Bread, Beverage
Dessert*

Events

Grand Raffle Winner
\$10,000
Will be Announced

Where *and* When

April 28, 2017
6:00 - 8:00 pm
Drawing at 6:30 pm
Parish Center

Tickets

\$10.00 Adults
\$ 6.00 Children



Tickets are available in the school office.

A Cash Bar will be available for your enjoyment



If you haven't had a chance to attend one of our St. Joseph Catholic School Skating Parties, you will have an opportunity on Thursday night from 6:30 – 8:30 pm at Astro Skate, located at 3611 3rd Street West. Those who have attended in the past, have had a great time partying with our St. Joseph families. The skate center is only open to our SJCS students during the party hours.

Admission: \$7.00 (cash) per person, which includes skate rental (regular skates).



8th Grade – History of Passover & Holy Thursday

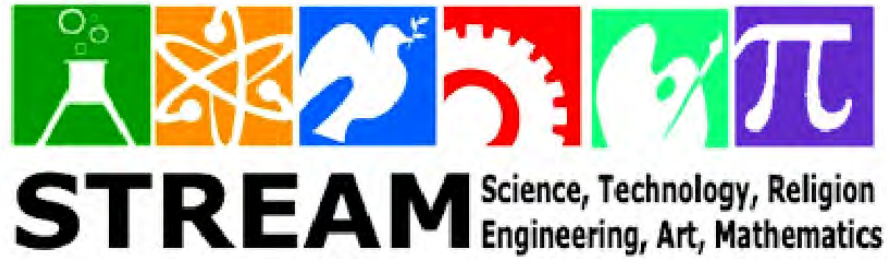


During Holy Week, our eighth grade students explored the traditions of Passover as related to the Christian celebration of the Eucharist and Holy Thursday.

8th Grade – Chrism Mass at the Cathedral

On Tuesday, during Holy Week, our 8th grade students traveled to Venice to attend the Chrism Mass at Epiphany Cathedral. Following the Mass, the 8th graders enjoyed lunch with other 8th grade and high school students from throughout the diocese.





3rd Grade Egg Drop

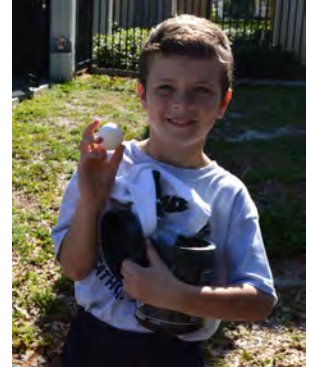
Integrating Science and Engineering, our 3rd grade students chose to begin their celebration of Easter with a different approach this year. Instead of an “Easter Egg Hunt”, the students used their predicting and reasoning skills to participate in an “Egg Drop”. Each student designed a protection strategy to facilitate a safe drop for a raw egg. The students shared their design with classmates and gave the reasons they thought their plan would keep the egg safe. The eggs were dropped from the second floor balcony to the concrete walk below. Thanks to the ingenuity of these students, most of the eggs survived the fall!



Discussing Strategies



Making Predictions



A Few of Our Many Survivors (See our webpage for more photos)

Mark Your Calendar for Special Events

April 24	School Resumes
April 27	6:30 – 8:30 pm Skating Party – Astro Skate
April 28	6:00 – 8:00 pm Night in Venice – Spaghetti Dinner
May 6	6:00 pm Father/Daughter Dance
May 10	3:15 PTO Meeting
May 11 & 12	Spring Musical – Willy Wonka, Jr.
May 12	4:00 – 6:00 pm Mother/Son Event – Smugglers Cove Mini Golf
May 16	6:00 pm Sports Banquet
May 19	8 th Grade Graduation
May 19	Rays Private School Night - Tampa Bay vs. New York Yankees
May 25	6:00 – 8:00 pm Skating Party – Astro Skate
May 26	Last Day of School – 8:00 am Mass – Noon Dismissal
May 30 – June 2	Epic Summer Camp (Contact Coach Kolbe)
June 5 – 9	Title I Science Camp (Contact Coach Kolbe)
June 12 – 15	Science Camp (Contact Mrs. Hernandez)
June 26 – 30	Bible School Camp
August 10	School Resumes

SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Tennis

Tuesday, April 27

4:00 pm Away vs. SSAS
Payne Park Tennis Center, Sarasota

Golf

Check with Coach Bennett

Mark Your Calendar: Sports Banquet – May 16



SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Monday

3:00 pm Intermediate Guitar
3:15 pm Garden Club
3:00 pm Irish Dance
3:00 pm Violin Class
3:00 pm Junior Legion of Mary

Tuesday

3:00 pm Willy Wonka Practice
3:00 pm Beginning Guitar
3:00 pm K-Kids (elections)

Wednesday

8:00 pm Mass

Thursday

3:00 pm Willy Wonka Practice
3:00 pm Intermediate Guitar
6:30 pm Skating Party – Astro Skate Center

Friday

3:00 pm Odyssey Celebration
6:00 pm Spaghetti Dinner – Grand Raffle Drawing

Hot Lunch

24	25	26	27	28
Three Cheese Penne Primavera Vegetable Medley Garlic Bread Seasonal Fruit	Classic Turkey Dinner Roasted Turkey & Gravy Mashed Potatoes Herbed Stuffing Seasonal Fruit	Sesame Beef Asian Sesame Beef with Jasmine Rice Ginger Carrots Seasonal Fruit	Country Ham Steak Country, Spiral Ham & Homemade Macaroni Cheese, Curry Corn Seasonal Fruit	FRIDAY PIZZA DAY! Penne Marinara Fresh Broccoli Florets Seasonal Fruit

Third Quarter Honor Roll

Third Quarter Honor Roll students were honored on April 12 following the 8:00 am Mass.

Principal's List All A's

Sienna Bell
 Kaela Herrington
 Kaya Hogue
 Sophia Ierulli
 Clark Keyvani
 Logan Sirota
 Joey Colonnese
 Abigail Dunston-Wagner
 Rafael Espino
 Isabel estigarribia
 Savannah Hrubar
 Alessandro Rincon
 Dominic Berardi
 Robert Desjardins
 Coral Bell
 Alina Chacko
 Sarah Verdecia
 Jenna Venditti

A & B Honor Roll

Michael Brunette
 Matthew Christian
 Camden Lawrence
 Joseph Moreno
 Madison Oglie
 Liam Tan
 Elizabeth Austin
 Madison Faust
 Luigi Ferrari
 Emily Inman
 Lane Kolbe
 Jesus Ramirez
 Regina rettig
 Brady Winters
 John Austin
 Abigail Gause
 Kaiyle Lacy
 Anthony Longo
 Joshua Oglie
 Melissa Rettig
 Ashline Saimprevil
 Carter Sirota
 Nicolas Curci
 Hannah Ferguson
 Amber Polis
 Jack Thomas
 Thao Nguyen
 Andres Rincon

A & B Honor Roll (Continued)

Colin Heina
 Arianna Longo
 Thao Nguyen
 Andres Rincon
 Paige Robinson
 Carson Winters
 Delaney Desjardins
 Brendan Early
 Matthew Mackin
 Ethan Pino
 Gabriella Ryan
 Alexa San Juan
 Paola Soto

St. Joseph Catholic School 2017 - 2018

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April '17

PICTURE DAYS

- Aug. 23 Fall Picture Day
- Oct. 12 Make Up Day
- Nov. 15 Group Pictures
- April 18 Graduation Pictures
Spring Pictures

F=First Day	H=Holiday
E=End of Quarter (School in Session)	PT = Conferences
P=Professional Day	N=No School
T=Testing	L= Last Day
ED=Early Dismissal (Noon)	* = Mass Day
R = Reconciliation - Penance Service	

Dates/Events

- Aug. 3 - Teachers Return/Staff Development
- Aug. 9 - New Parent Orientation/Meet and Greet
- Aug. 10 - First Day of Classes
- Aug. 15 - Mass - Holy Day - Assumption
- Aug. 17 - Back to School Night
- Sept 4 - No School - Labor Day
- Oct. 12 - End of Quarter 1
- Oct. 13 - Diocesan Professional Inservice - No School
- Oct. 19 - Early Dismissal - Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 20 - Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 31 - Halloween Bash
- Nov. 1 - Mass - Holy Day - All Saints
- Nov. 9 - 12 Carnival
- Nov. 9 - Early Dismissal
- Nov. 10 - No School - Veterans Day
- Nov. 13 - No School Professional Day
- Nov. 21 - Early Dismissal - Thanksgiving
- Nov. 22 - 26 - Thanksgiving Break
- Dec. 13 - Penance Service
- Dec. 20 - End of Quarter 2/ Early Dismissal
- December 21 - January 7 - Christmas Break - Students
- Jan. 4 & 5 - No School Professional Days
- Jan. 15 - No School - MLK Day
- Jan. 28 - Feb. 3 Catholic Schools Week
- Feb. 13 - Valentine Parties
- Feb. 14 - Ash Wednesday
- Feb. 16 - Early Dismissal - Professional Inservice
- Feb. 19 - No School - Presidents' Day
- Mar. 5 - 9 - ITBS Testing
- March 14 - End of Quarter 3
- Mar. 19 - SJ Parties
- Mar. 21 - Penance Service
- Mar. 28 - Early Dismissal
- Mar. 29 - Apr. 8 - Easter Break
- Apr. 9 - Diocesan Professional Inservice - No School
- Apr. 10 - School Resumes
- May 4 - May Crowning (Grade 2)
- May 24 - 8th Grade Graduation
- May 31 - Last Day for Students