

From the Desk of Mrs. Jaster



September 5, 2018



APPLE OF MY EYE: Keep checking for our first Apple of My winners of the 2018 – 2019 school year! We hope to become famous for our good deeds!

CARES PROGRAM: Our CARES program will begin on Monday, September 10th. Registered families may use the program beginning at 7am. The children in the after-school program may remain until 6pm each day.

SJR THESPIANS: Please see today's information about our newest offering – all forms must be in by production of "The Wizard of Oz Jr"! All forms must be returned by **Tuesday, September 11th**.



MILK AND PRETZEL ORDERS: If you wish to order a pretzel for a morning snack each day or a beverage for lunch, the orders will be due next Wednesday, September 12th. Pretzels will cost \$12.00. Milk/Juice will cost \$16.00. The order will begin September 17th and run until November 2nd.

GENTLE REMINDERS: A few general reminders:

- **Thursday, Sept. 6th:** Full day for all students, Pre-K – grade 8. Confessions will be heard for students in grades 4 – 8 beginning at 11am. Students from Archbishop Wood High School will be onsite from 11am – 1pm performing works of service. (Our students may wear their gym uniforms due to the predicted heat.)
- **Friday, Sept. 7th :** Opening Mass at 9am. All are welcome to join us as we celebrate the beginning of another school year. The children should wear their regular uniforms. After lunch, we will celebrate the conclusion of our first week of school with a dance party and water – ice treat provided by our wonderful Home and School! **All September forms are due on Friday, September 7th.**
 - **Summer Reading Challenge:** anyone who wants to qualify for any individual and/or class prizes the contest closes: **Friday, 9/7 at midnight!** Hurry and log those last minutes!



FROM THE DIRECTOR OF ADVANCEMENT:

WELCOME

Again, I welcome our faculty, students and families to a new academic year. I am excited to continue to promote our core school mission "**Focused on Faith and Learning.**" I value "spreading the word" to the community related to our students many service, academic achievements, and school events. I make every effort to post our spirited events by the end of the school day so families receive first hand coverage!



Like and Follow us on Facebook: St. Joseph/St. Robert Catholic School and Tweet with Us: <https://twitter.com/SjrSchool>. In addition, you can follow us on Instagram: SJRSchool. You can also access our FB, Twitter, & Instagram pages from our SJR website: www.stjstr.org.

I am always open to new ideas to "**highlight**" SJR and available to be of assistance to families. I can be reached at 215.343.5100, ext. 209 or kwilliamson@stjstr.org.



ALTAR SERVERS: Students from St. Robert parish who are interested in this special ministry are asked to return the form in this week's communication to the office. We will forward it to Deacon George. Students from St. Joseph parish should contact Father Bordonaro directly.

This is a wonderful opportunity to give service to our parish!



JUST A THOUGHT: "*The capacity to learn is a gift; the ability to learn is a skill; the willingness to learn is a choice.*"

As we start a new school year together, we may all focus on the work expected of our children. Will they work hard in school? Will they make new friends and keep old friendships? Will they grow in their faith? Will they challenge themselves – or rise to challenges given them? This might also be a time for all of us to challenge ourselves to grow – learn!

**SJR SCHOOL:
FOCUSED ON FAITH AND LEARNING!**



HSA Newsletter

Welcome back to an exciting school year!!!

Upcoming events.....Mark your calendars....

September

7th-Welcome Back Party

17th-Kid Stuff Coupon Books will be coming home

19th-Home and School meeting 7pm in the Parish Center

22nd-Movie Night in the school parking lot...movie TBD

24th-Spirit Night Chipotle 4-7pm

28th-Covered Dish Dinner hosted by the 2nd grade for all families in Pre-K to 1st

- We have a quick little survey posted...feedback is appreciated
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6QX87XZ>
- Please join our HSA!! See attached form
- If you or anyone you know would like their business in the HSA directory please see the directory form in this communication letter

St. Joseph / St. Robert School Home & School Association

Dear Parents,

Welcome to new and exciting year at St. Joseph / St. Robert School! The Home & School Association has many fabulous activities planned for the upcoming year.

HSA supports our school in numerous ways. We are run entirely by volunteers, and are financially supported by our school families. The events which HSA hosts are too numerous to list. A few favorites include Covered Dish, Little Elf Shop, Walkathon, 5K, Phillies Home Opener, Family Picnic, and Spirit Nights. HSA also provides programs to educate and entertain our students.

HSA loves to treat the students throughout the year. Every student receives water ice the first week of school, lunch at the Phillies Home Opener and Family Picnic. Cold snacks and drinks are provided at the conclusion of the Walkathon. Milk and cookies are a favorite of the students before they break for Christmas. During Catholic Schools Week, HSA treats the students to a fun, interactive assembly. The only way HSA can continue to do all of these wonderful things is with your support.

A major source of income for the Home & School Association is the annual dues drive. We are hopeful that all families will choose to become paid members. Membership has its benefits. All paid members will receive a copy of the SJR School Directory. In order to vote, nominate, and run for positions on the HSA Executive Board, one must be an HSA member. Only paid members who have attended all three HSA meetings are eligible for a \$500 grand prize drawing at the last meeting.

Each family is expected to be a contributing, paid member of the Home & School Association. The annual dues are only \$20.00 per family, and the students receive so much more than \$20 worth of benefits! Please complete the form on the reverse side and return it to school by September 21, 2018. Checks can be made payable to SJR HSA.

Thank you,

The HSA Membership Committee

HSA DUES

Please return this form in envelope provided with a check made payable to SJR HSA or cash in the amount of \$ 20.00

We thank you for your support !!

Family Name: _____

Child(ren) Name(s) & Grade(s)

Phone Number :

** Please send in attn.: HSA Membership Dues*

Advertise Your Business in the St. Joseph/St. Roberts School Directory!!

The ads were a great success last year and really helped with the expenses for the printing of the directory. As you know our directory is given to each member of the Home & School Association, which means that your ad will be seen by parish families. Wouldn't it be better for school families to hire someone they know and can trust for repairs and services such as plumbing and electric, rather than to look up a stranger in the yellow pages?

DEADLINE FOR ALL ADS IS Friday, September 21st
Return bottom section to Megan Hill c/o Addison Hill - Gr. 4

I would like to include an ad in the 2018-2019 School Directory.

PLEASE PRINT

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

EMAIL _____

ELECTRONIC COPY AVAILABLE YES ___ NO ___

WAS AD IN LAST YEAR'S DIRECTORY? YES ___ NO ___

FULL PAGE AD-----\$75.00

HALF PAGE AD-----\$50.00

QUARTER PAGE AD/BUSINESS CARD -----\$25.00

*Please make all checks payable to St. Joseph/St. Roberts Home & School Association.
Please do not fold or staple ads.*



SJR THESPIANS CLUB

GRADES K-8 CAN PARTICIPATE. STUDENTS IN GRADES 6-8 ARE ELIGIBLE TO AUDITION FOR LEAD ROLES.

REHEARSAL DATES:

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 10, 17, 24, NOVEMBER 7, 14
3:15-4:30 PM**

SHOW DAY:

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17 - 2:00 PM

PLEASE CIRCLE:

LEAD ROLE (AUDITION DATE SEPTEMBER 12 AT 3:15 PM)

PERFORMER

ART CREW

STAGE CREW

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH \$25.00 CLUB FEE TO
LAUREN KULP C/O KEEGAN KULP GRADE 2.**

NAME: _____ GRADE: _____ TSHIRT SIZE: _____

PARENT NAME & EMAIL: _____

NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Any boys or girls in the 4th, 5th or 6th grade, are welcome and encouraged to participate in training to become an Altar Server. Our altar servers are able to serve throughout high school, if they so wish. Those who wish to serve must be in the parish grade school, private school or our *PREP* program. They go through a period of training before they are commissioned to serve at Mass.

Depending on the number of candidates, classes will be held on Wednesday and/or Thursdays from 4:30-6:00 p.m. (A different group on each day) The First practice for *ALL* Candidates will be in the Church on *October 10, 2018*. Enter by side door across from the Rectory.

Deacon George

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE # _____ - _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____

SCHOOL ATTENDING _____ Grade _____

A Parents E-mail _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE RECTORY, PARISH SCHOOL OFFICE OR P.R.E.P. OFFICE.

**DEADLINE FOR SIGNING UP IS MONDAY,
October 8, 2018.**



ST. JOSEPH'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR

St. Augustine is credited as saying,
"To sing is to pray twice."

WANTED: Children willing to join St. Joseph's Children's Choir!

Who:	Grades 2 through 8
Expreience Needed:	Singing – None Instruments-2 years of lessons
Masses:	About once a month, also sacraments & special masses
Practices:	Thursdays 4:30 to 5:45
Starting:	September 13th or when you are able to attend!
Where:	St. Joseph's Choir loft
Commitment:	Flexible Not Necessary to join for entire year
Contact:	Mrs. Maria Lennon
At:	215-896-9484 or mariaalennon@comcast.net
Bring with you or mail:	attached form



*Please pass the word, St. Joseph's Music Ministry is also looking for new Adult Choir members, cantors, and instrumentalists!

ST JOSEPH PARISH CHILDREN'S CHOIR 2018-2019

Last Name of child: _____ First Name: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Grade for 2018-2019 school year: _____

School: _____

Snow number: _____ (there will be no practice if your school is closed or dismissed early due to weather conditions)

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

Cell Phone or Work Number: _____

e-mail address: _____

Please indicate any medical problems that we should be aware of: _____

Name and Phone Number of 2 people to contact in case of an emergency:

If child plays an instrument, please indicate the instrument and number of years the child has taken lessons _____

Parent signature: _____

*Please complete this form and return at next practice, or mail to attention of Mrs. Maria Lennon at St. Joseph Church, 1795 Columbia Ave. Warrington, Pa. 18976, or email to mariaalennon@comcast.net.