

From the Desk of Mrs. Jaster

January 25, 2017

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APPLE OF MY EYE: Congratulations to the “Apple of My Eye” winners for the last week of 2016! These children are celebrated for being “caught doing something good”: Father Biedrzycki, Keira Brennan, Tom Glenn, Grace Radecke and Dan Prior.

DRESS DOWN DAY THANK YOU! I never cease to be amazed at the generosity of our school community. Last week, we were able to present a check for \$780 to Erica Sheehan to assist her in her goal of dancing in the Penn State “THON”. Thank you one and all!



HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS:

- **Parenting Your Child to Reach for the STARS:** As those of you who able to attend last week’s presentation know, Dr. Coakley’s talk was wonderful – and practical! I am attaching her handout to this week’s news for all of you.
- **Catholic Schools Week Family Pizza lunch:** Tomorrow is the last day to order pizza for next week’s family lunch.

- **Spirit Night at Mike’s York Street Bar and Grill:** Tomorrow from 11:30AM until 11:00PM, SJR will receive a percentage of sales when the servers are presented with the voucher contained in this week’s communication.
- **Hot Lunch Order:** The new hot lunch order is now available online on our website under the “Parents” tab. Lunches must be ordered online and payment sent in to school. (checks only, please). The last date to place an order is Friday, January 27th.
- A big Shout Out to the Father’s Club for another great Mother/Son bowling event this past weekend. All who attended had a terrific time. Thank You!
- Father/Daughter Dance invitation was sent out last week. This fun night is scheduled for February 18th from 7 to 9 pm. The absolute deadline for tickets is Feb. 6. Tickets will not be available at the door. Hurry and get yours today! See flyer in this week’s communication!
- Coming in the near future are Joe Corbi’s Pizza, Stocks Pound Cake, and our Lafferty Drive. More information will be coming out as we get closer.



- Now is the time for us to start planning for our annual 5K. This is 1 or 2 big fund raisers for our school. Bingo in the fall brought in \$17,000 and the 5K in the spring makes just as much. The kids really enjoy this one because they can truly be a part of it. Our Pre-race stage begins now and includes: Administrative (handle all forms and data entry), Sponsorship (drive and direct call to get sponsors), and Logistics (all police, fire insurance, timers, water stops, etc.). No prior experience is required. Please let me know in what capacity you are willing to help. Contact Christa Speranza 215-956-9769 or speranzahome@gmail.com

FROM OUR ADVANCEMENT DIRECTOR:

Catholic Schools Week: Extend an Invitation to Prospective Families to Attend Our Open House Events

During Catholic Schools Week, our school will be hosting an Open House on Sunday, January 29th from 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and again on Wednesday, February 1st from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. The majority of our new families select SJR based on our enthusiastic voices! Please spread the word and invite your neighbors & friends to join us at an Open House. At any time, prospective families can call the school to schedule a tour & discuss enrollment. Registrations for half day or full day Pre-K and Kindergarten are currently being accepted for the 2017-2018 academic year. Attached to this week's communication, is a flyer to share with interested families. Thank you for all you do to promote our school!



Catholic Schools Week: Showing Our School Pride

The theme for CSW 2017 is "Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service". CSW is a wonderful opportunity for our students to share our school identity with our parish communities and to thank the parishioners for their spiritual and financial support. On Saturday (1/28) and Sunday (1/29), we will have student speakers, families bringing up the gifts, and students distributing the church bulletins following Mass. Please have your children wear their uniforms to church to show our school pride.

If your family would be available to bring up the gifts at a specific Mass, please email me at kwilliamson@stjstr.org and include parish & time. We will also need many children to distribute church bulletins. Please have your children go to an usher a few minutes prior to the end of Mass, and the usher will assign the student a location.

Looking forward to sharing our school pride with our community throughout the week!
Thank you for all you do to promote our school!

It was a rewarding recognition for St. Joseph/St. Robert School to be the top Finalist in 2016. It would be fantastic to be the WINNER this year! We are excited to announce our nomination for

Exciting News – Bucks Happening 2017! Start Casting Your Votes

Bucks Happening 2017 under the category of Private Schools! We all work so hard every day to make our school SHINE in the community. Now we have to get all our students, families, relatives, friends, and parishioners to cast their vote. There is one vote per email address. If you have more than one email address, please cast a vote with each email! Facebook email addresses are not valid. Voting ends at midnight on March 3, 2017.

Let us have fun and watch our votes add up! Please go to the link below (press control & click) and add your votes! Please shout the word to all you know via phone, email, and other social media to add their votes.

Thank you for all you do to support our school.

<http://bucks.happeningmag.com/happeninglist/2017-kids-private-school/>



Please visit our opening day for the 2017 Book Fair this SUNDAY- January 29th! We open at 9 am and will be here all morning until 1 pm. Please stop by and visit us after Mass!

****students will also shop during their regular Library class during the week**

****see Mrs. Jacobsen's Library website for more information about the Book Fair:**

****How to volunteer**

****Get the Scholastic Book Fair App- FREE!**

****Shop NOW our Scholastic Book ONLINE Fair- ships FREE! Hundreds more titles! Visit our online fair TODAY**

******See Book Fair library schedule in this week's communication.**

Re-Registration Form: Please fill out the re-registration form in this week's communication and return to school *by Friday, January 27, 2017.*



SJR CYO NEWS: Please come out and help support our CYO program at our annual Super Bowl Party Saturday, February 4, 2017, from 7:30PM until midnight in Monsignor Marley Hall. Tickets are \$40 each for buffet dinner, soups, salads, coffee, desserts, beer and DJ. We will also have, Super Bowl block pools, 50/50's, gift baskets and door prizes. Tickets are \$40 each. For more information call Paul Dickson [215-771-4471](tel:215-771-4471).



BLESSING BAGS: This year, during Catholic Schools Week, our students will be filling Blessing Bags to be distributed to children staying at Doylestown Hospital. Donations will be gratefully accepted until January 27th.








JUST A THOUGHT: One of my favorite parts of each school year is Catholic Schools Week. This special week allows us to proudly celebrate all that we are – and thank our many supporters. Each day, St. Joseph/St. Robert School exists as a Community of Faith, Knowledge, and Service. We pray with and for each other throughout the day. Our classes are filled with rigorous, relevant learning from our youngest students to our oldest. A sense of service is demonstrated and encouraged for all of us.

I hope you will find some time this week to visit us and say a prayer of thanksgiving for our wonderful school!



SJR SCHOOL:
Focused on Faith and Learning

FEBRUARY 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Catholic Schools Week begins! Open House 9:30AM - 1:00PM Book Fair open</p>	<p>Catholic Schools National Day of Service: Students will put together Blessing Bags</p>	<p>SJR Celebrates Students! Prizes! Prizes!</p>	<p>SJR Celebrates our Families! Open House 9AM - 12Noon Family Pizza Lunch 12:20 - 9pm</p>	<p>SJR Celebrates Vocations Book Fair continues Young Rembrandts</p>	<p>First Friday - Mass 9AM HSA Assembly Pasta lunch</p>	<p> SJR CYO Super Bowl Party</p>
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Super Bowl Sunday			Wendy's Wednesday	Young Rembrandts	Hot Sandwich lunch	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
St. Robert parish Confirmation retreat		<p>Valentine's Day Random Act of Kindness Day</p> 	Wendy's Wednesday	Young Rembrandts	<p>Tea with Me 9AM - 10AM Chick-fil-a lunch</p> 	<p>Father/Daughter Dance</p> 
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	<p>President's Day School Holiday</p> 		<p>Milk - \$15.00 Pretzels - \$9.00 Wendy's Wednesday Chick-fil-a Spirit Night</p>	Young Rembrandts	<p>First Holy Communion retreat - St. Robert's Mexican lunch</p>	<p>Trivia Night St. Robert's</p> 
26	27	28				
		<p>Doughnut Day</p> 				



St. Joseph/St. Robert School

850 Euclid Avenue
Warrington, Pennsylvania 18976
Telephone: 215.343.5100
Facsimile: 215.343.7434

Mrs. Deborah Jaster, Principal

January 25, 2017

Dear Parents,

We are already making preparations for the upcoming academic year. To do so, we ask that you inform us of your intentions to return for the 2017 – 2018 school year by Friday, January 27th?

Upon receipt of your intent to return, you will receive your tuition contract. Completed tuition contracts with \$150 registration fee per child are due by Friday, February 26th.

Thank you in advance!

Student Name

Returning to SJR for grade

We will not be returning to St. Joseph/St. Robert School for the coming academic year.

Student Name

Reason for leaving



ST JOSEPH/ST ROBERT SCHOOL
FOCUSED ON FAITH AND LEARNING

**All Prospective Families, Parishioners & Friends are
Cordially Invited to Visit During Catholic Schools Week:**

- *Offering education to grades Pre-K through 8th
- *Options for five half day or full day Pre-K and Kindergarten
- *Faith based values integrated into education and activities
- *Challenging curriculum based on Common Core State Standards
- *Innovative use of technology including SMART Boards, Surface Tablets, Chromebooks, and iPads in all grades
- *Specialty teachers for weekly Spanish, Library, Technology, Art, Music & Physical Education in all grades



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
OPEN HOUSE
&
REGISTRATION OPEN
PRE-K TO 8TH GRADE

Sunday, January 29th
9:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Meet Teachers, Staff & Students

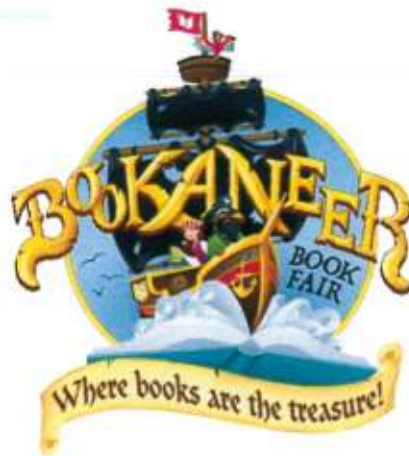
Wednesday, February 1st
9:00 A.M. - 12:00 NOON

Observation of Classes

Information/Enrollment Requirements: 215.343.5100 or www.stjstr.org
850 Euclid Avenue Warrington Pennsylvania 18976

Focused on Faith & Learning





Class Visitation Schedule

Tuesday, January 31st

Pre-K	8:40-9:15
Grade 7	9:30-10:00
Grade 5	10:15-10:50
Grade 1	11:00-11:30
Grade 8	1:00-1:30

Wednesday, February 1st

****OPEN HOUSE Book Fair- 10:00-11:00**

Grade 6	1:00-1:30
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Thursday, February 2nd

Kindergarten (Mrs. Greenfield)	8:40-9:20
Grade 6	9:30-10:00
Grade 2	10:15-10:45
Grade 3	10:45-11:30
Grade 4	11:30-12:15
Kindergarten (Mrs. Puleo)	1:50-2:30

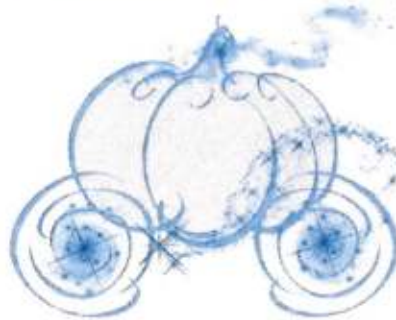


Read Every Day. Lead a Better Life.

2017 SJR FATHER/ DAUGHTER DANCE



All SJR ladies (PreK-8th) are invited to attend with their favorite guy. (Dad, Grandfather, Uncle, Friend)



WHEN: Saturday, February 18, 2017 **TIME:** 7PM- 9PM

*pictures start at 6:30pm

PLACE: SJR Dining Hall

COST: \$25 per family

Enjoy a special evening filled with dancing, music, games, and good friends!

*All families receive a framed photo to remember the evening.

*Light snacks and refreshments will be served.

Please return the bottom portion by Monday, February 6th to Amy Dixon % Maggie Dixon K102.

Advanced ticket sales only! No tickets will be sold at the door. 2/6/17 is the absolute deadline.

The _____ family plans to attend the dance.

Ladies names: _____ Escort's name: _____

*make checks payable to SJR HSA

Volunteers needed!!!

Set up: _____

Clean up: _____

Blessing Bags are gallon size Ziploc bags filled with crayons, coloring books, puzzles and mini-games for children who are staying at Doylestown Hospital due to health reasons. These bags will hopefully entertain these children and bring some brightness to their lives.

Service Corps is asking students to bring in one or more items that has been assigned to their class. Items should be sent to school by Friday, January 27th.

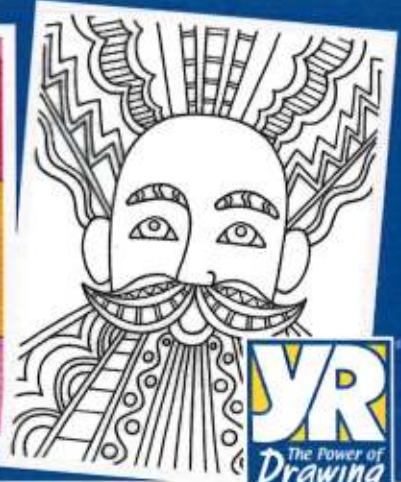
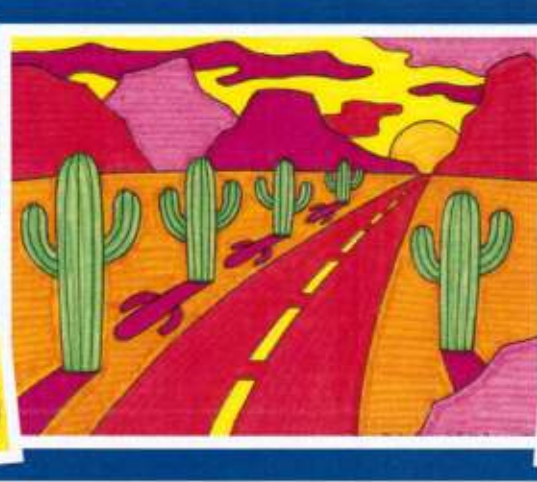
We are hoping to make as many bags as possible. Service Corp leaders will be delivering the bags at end of the Catholic Schools Week. In the lower grades, students will be coloring a "Get Well "page that will be put in each bag. Each page will be signed by the student.

Pre-K, 1st and 2nd grade- Box of crayons (24 or 16 or 8)

Kindergarten, 3rd and 4th grade- Coloring books

5th, 6th, and 7th grade- mini-games and/or- small puzzles.

8th grade- Students are asked to bring in two dollars.



Young Rembrandts

For ages 5-14

Drawing Classes for kids



at St Joseph/St Robert

Our Students Can Expect

- A new exciting lesson every week
- Improved core art skills
- To have fun!

Our Parents Can Expect

- Increased attention to detail
- Improved fine motor skills
- Discipline, persistence, and patience



Classes Held
Thursday
3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
2/9/2017 - 3/9/2017



Tuition
\$65
for a 5 Week Session



Payment Options
**MAIL IN ENROLLMENT or
ENROLL ONLINE at**
www.youngrembrandts.com/buxmont-pa

Young Rembrandts
412 Goodwin Rd
Hatboro, Pa. 19040
Ph: 215-675-8878
Fax: 215-394-5752

TO ENROLL: Submit your completed registration form to Young Rembrandts, 412 Goodwin Rd., Hatboro, PA 19040. Once submitted your child is automatically enrolled unless you are notified otherwise. Save your time and a stamp. **ENROLL ONLINE at:** www.youngrembrandts.com/buxmont-pa. Young Rembrandts provides all classroom supplies and a trained instructor. Classes are held immediately after school. Parents are responsible for transportation at class end. Dismissal begins 5 to 10 minutes after our class ends.

Student Name First _____ Last _____	School St Joseph/St Robert Start Date 2/9/2017
Parent Name _____	Class Day Thursday Class Time 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
Address _____	May we use your child's drawing in our promotional materials? [] Yes [] No
City _____ State _____ Zip _____	May we photograph/video your child in class? [] Yes [] No
Email Address _____	<i>I also understand all personal absences are forfeited.</i>
Grade _____ Birth Date _____ Teacher _____	Signature _____
Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____	I would like information about being a Parent Volunteer (FREE tuition!) [] Yes [] No
Cell Phone _____ Emergency Phone _____	Make check payable to Young Rembrandts and include your child's name and
My child will: [] be picked up [] walk home [] other _____	school on the check. We accept MasterCard and Visa.
Credit Card Number _____ / _____ / _____ / _____	Card Expiration _____ [] MC [] Visa Security code _____
Name _____	Signature _____ Date _____
(as it appears on the card)	[] Charge my account in full [] Charge my account monthly Amount: _____



SJR CYO ANNUAL SUPER BOWL PARTY

Saturday, February 4, 2017

7:30 – Midnight

Monsignor Marley Hall

860 Euclid Avenue

Warrington, PA 18976

Appetizers, buffet dinner, soups, salads,
beer, coffee, and desserts.

Catering by Jimmy Ro's / www.jimmyros.com

DJ by Ron Fasano / www.ronjaxdjs.com

Door Prizes / Silent Auction

To purchase tickets go to www.wagdogs.com/sjrspb

Tickets \$40 each

For more information call

Paul Dickson 215-771-4471

All money raised helps support our CYO program.

Like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/sjrcyo



Upcoming Adult Faith Formation Events

THE HISTORY AND STRUCTURE OF THE MASS.

Come and join our pastor, **Msgr. Beisel**, as he walks us through the historical roots of the Sunday Liturgy, the source and summit of our Christian life. Then he will explain the significance of each part of the Mass. Bring your questions and be prepared to understand more deeply our beautiful weekly encounter with God's love.



Date and Place: Wednesday, February 8 @ 7:00—8:00 PM in the Parish Meeting Room

RSVP: by February 5 to Joan Fitzpatrick @ 215.343.0315 OR jfitzaff2@verizon.net

THE FOUR LOVES AND YOU!

Love one another. As I have loved you so you also should love one another.

John 13: 34-35

I love coffee...I love my car...I love my wife...I love my cat...I love God. We use the word love in many different ways through the course of our day but do we mean it the same way in each case? The Greeks had four ways of speaking about this mysterious reality—love! Come and join us for an enlightening discussion about the ways these appear in scripture and daily life!

Presenter: Fr. Matthew Biedrzycki

Date and Place: Tuesday, February 21, 2017 @ 7:00—8:00 PM in the Parish Meeting Room

RSVP: by February 17 to Joan Fitzpatrick @ 215.343.0315 OR jfitzaff2@verizon.net

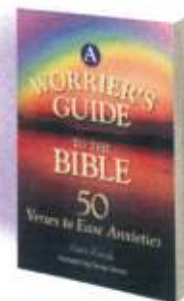
Save the Date!!

ST ROBERT BELLARMINE'S PARISH MISSION — Sunday, Monday, Tuesday — March 26-28

Presenter: Gary Zimak – Catholic Speaker, Author and Radio Host

Gary Zimak has touched thousands with his live talks, parish missions and retreats. Gary is the author of *A Worrier's Guide To The Bible*, *From Fear To Faith*, *Find A Real Friend In Jesus* and *Faith, Hope, and Clarity*.

Please watch the bulletins for each night's topic and more information.

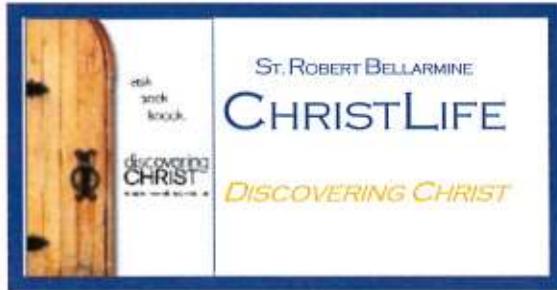
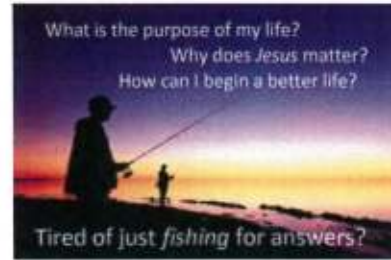


DISCOVERING CHRIST:

a new 7-week experience on the most important questions of life

You are invited to Begin the Journey!

- Share a Delicious Meal
- Listen to a Dynamic Teaching
- Join in a Small Group Discussion
- Explore Some of the Most Important Questions Worth Asking



Thursday Evenings
Feb. 9 – Mar. 23
6:30 – 9:00 PM

Tuesday Afternoons
Feb. 7 – Mar. 21
12:00 Noon – 2:30 PM

St. Robert Bellarmine
Parish Center

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE
Discovering Christ
Registration Form



Session Dates: *Afternoon – February 7 through March 21, 2017; 12:00 noon to 2:30 p.m. (Tuesdays)*
Evening - February 9 through March 23, 2017; 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. (Thursdays)

FIRST NAME: _____ LAST NAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

MARITAL STATUS: _____

DO YOU WANT TO BE IN THE SAME GROUP AS YOUR SPOUSE OR A FRIEND? _____

NAME OF SPOUSE OR FRIEND: _____

DIETARY RESTRICTIONS: _____

Session Preference: Afternoon _____ Evening _____

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORMS BY MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2017, TO THE REGISTRATION BOX IN THE NARTHEX, PARISH OFFICE OR THE SUNDAY COLLECTION BASKET. THEY CAN ALSO BE SCANNED AND EMAILED TO JOAN FITZPATRICK: jfitzaff2@verizon.net.

St. Joseph/St. Robert School
Celebrates
Catholic Schools Week 2017!



Sunday, January 29th: We Celebrate Our Parishes!

- Student speakers at each weekend Mass to thank the parish communities.
- Students are asked to wear their uniforms to Mass this weekend
- Open House 9:30AM - 1:00PM
- Book Fair open for business

Monday, January 30th: We Celebrate Service!

- School - wide service project: Blessing Bags for Doylestown Hospital

Tuesday, January 31st: We Celebrate Our Students!

- Prizes! Prizes! Prizes!
- Free pretzels for all!
- Book Fair continues

Wednesday, February 1st: We Celebrate Our Families!

- Open House 9AM - 12noon
- Family Pizza lunch in Monsignor Marley Hall (gym) at 12:20PM (Pizza must be ordered in advance)
- Buddy Games after lunch

Thursday, February 2nd: We Celebrate Vocations!

- Visitors will speak to the students about religious vocations
- Book Fair continues
- Cards will be made for Sisters residing at Camilla Hall

Friday, February 3rd: We Celebrate Our Country!

- Closing Liturgy - First Friday Mass 9AM
- HSA Assembly - Pre-K - grade 8 (10:15AM - 11:00AM)