



# St. Joseph/St. Robert School Newsletter

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*FROM THE DESK OF MRS.  
DURKIN  
October 11, 2023*

During this busy week, let's remember, "I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength." Philippians 4:13

I'd like to take this opportunity to congratulate one of our eighth graders, Declan Ryan, who has qualified to be considered for the prestigious Neumann Scholarship. In honor of St. John Neumann, the Connelly Foundation awards full-tuition scholarships to our highest academic achievers who plan to attend an Archdiocesan High School. It is an honor to be considered. Well done, Declan!

We're also very excited to announce the teams of girls from 6th, 7th and 8th grade who will compete in The Sciathlon, an annual science competition held at Villa Joseph Marie High School, Holland, PA. Best of luck to Kelsey, Charlotte, Hannah, Meredith, Maggie, Maddie, Emma, Hannah, Kylie, Angella, Ashley, and Bella! I'm sure they will learn a lot from the experience and represent our school well!

Thank you so much for your quick response to our conference sign ups. We look forward to seeing each of you and having a conversation about your child's progress this year. Children benefit when we work closely together.

We've started our fall fundraiser and are grateful for your participation. Please know that your assistance this year will allow us to buy another classroom set of Chromebooks. If you haven't already, please take just a moment to visit [www.ShopFund.com](http://www.ShopFund.com) where you can make purchases or share our fundraiser with friends and family. If you need assistance in any way, please let me know.

The firefighters will be at SJR next week! On Thursday, 10/19, the Warrington Fire Company will come to visit. The firefighters will do a fire safety presentation with students in kindergarten through second grades. Pre-K will have a visit and a walk-around the fire truck.

As our Open House approaches, we are seeking families willing to represent SJR at the 9:00 am and 11:00 am masses on Sunday, October 22 and Sunday, October 29. Students should be dressed in their formal winter uniform and will carry the gifts during mass. The link below is a Sign Up Genius for both St. Joseph's and St. Robert's masses. If you could serve in this way it would be a blessing to our community.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084EA5A728A4FACF8-44912260-offertory#/>

Thank you for all you do!  
Gratefully,  
Mrs. Durkin

## Home and School Information



The Cookie Dough/Cherrydale fundraiser is officially begun! If you haven't registered your child, you can do that at this site: [register your child here https://www.shopfund.com/parentregister](https://www.shopfund.com/parentregister) We're working to raise \$5,000 to buy another classroom set of Chromebooks.

**Boo Grams:** Please see the flyer attached to participate in this adorable Halloween tradition. They cost \$1.00 each and are due by 10/23.

**Trunk or Treat (10/20/23 flyer below):** If you are planning to join in the fun, can you please return the form **by October 13th**.

**Halloween Dance for 4th-6th grade (10/28/2023 6:30 - 9:00p.m)** Please see the flyer below for your child to join in the fun!

**Halloween Hayride for 7th & 8th (10/28/2023 See flyer)** A permission slip was emailed to families of the 7th and 8th graders. Please fill it out and return it with payment **by October 13th**.

**Walkathon:** Please plan to join us for The Walkathon on November 10th after lunch. More information will follow.

Thank you,  
HSA Board



Reminder! Students interested in joining the school band or orchestra may still enroll throughout the month of October. Participation in band instrument instrumental music is available to students in grades 4-8, and orchestra instrument participation is available for students in grades 3-8. If you are interested in joining this wonderful program, please refer to the Northeastern Music enrollment link below. Thank you!

<https://nemusicprograms.com/>

## Parish News

### St. Joseph's Parish

Forty Hours Devotion will be on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday October 15, 16, and 17. There will be Evening Prayer and Benediction each of the three nights and opportunities for confession on Tuesday. Please sign up for an hour adoration, so that Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament will not be left unattended. Sign-up sheets are at the tables at the church exits.

### St. Robert's Parish

CHILDREN LITURGY OF THE WORD VOLUNTEERS ~ Our parish offers the Children's Liturgy of the Word for children ages 4 through Grade 3 at the 11am Mass each Sunday. The program will begin on Sunday, October 15th. We are looking for adult volunteers to lead the program. We are hoping to have enough volunteers that your commitment would be once every 5-6 weeks. This would mean being there 2- 3 times a year. If you feel God is calling you to help our younger children grow in faith, please let us know. Please contact Donna Heeney at 215-343-9433 or [donnaheeneydre@gmail.com](mailto:donnaheeneydre@gmail.com) for more information.



Thank you to our Apples this week: Callaway, Robbie, Olivia, and Isabella! Thanks for doing large and small things to make SJR a special place!

  
**ST. JOSEPH  
ST. ROBERT  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

**OPEN HOUSE**

**Sunday, November 5th  
11:30 AM - 2:00 PM**

**Grants &  
Scholarships  
Available**

**Apply Now 2024 - 2025**

**Pre-K4, Kindergarten & 1st to 7th Grade**

**Call 215.343.5100 OR VISIT STJSTR.ORG**

**From the Director of Advancement**

Application for the Educational Improvement Tax Credit BLOCS Scholarship for the 2023-2024 academic year has closed. But, there is another way the EITC program can benefit you and our school. If you have a Pennsylvania tax burden of \$1,000 or more, you can sign up for the EITC program and, instead of paying your state taxes to Pennsylvania, direct that money to our school. Isn't that incredible? Even more incredibly, you then get a 90% tax credit the following year. If you believe in Catholic education and you want to control your tax dollars – this is the program for you. Please contact our Advancement Director, Mrs. Kathy Williamson, at 215-343-5100 for more information.

SJR's first Admissions Open House for the 2024 - 2025 school year is Sunday, November 5th. We'd love to meet prospective families and students who would like to learn more about our community, curriculum, mission, vision, campus life, and admissions process. Please share this information with those you know who may be interested. Let them know that they can make an appointment today by calling 215.343.5100.

**CYO News**

SJR-CYO basketball registration is open for the 2023-2024 season for boys and girls in grades 3-12. Registration will remain open until October 31. Please use the following link to register:

<https://stjosephstrobertcyo.sportngin.com/register/form/893016380>



# BOOOOO!!

# gram



\$1 each and include treat!  
Please send completed Boo Grams to Melissa Yogis c/o  
Olivia Yogis Grade 3 by October 23rd.

\*They will be distributed Friday, October 27th

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4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Halloween Dance Party

Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> 6:30 – 9 PM

Please fill out the below form if your child will be attending the Halloween Dance Party

We ask that you please send in \$20 per Child to help cover cost of DJ, Snacks, Drinks, and Deco

Child's Name	
Grade	
Child's Name	
Grade	
Total to be Paid	

Payments Accepted: Cash, Venmo @Kassandra-Palo, or Check payable to "SJR HSA"

Please return form by 10/25/2023

To: Kassandra Palo

c/o Hannah Palo 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

(Gentle Reminder. Please be sure costumes are school appropriate, Thank You!)





# Haunted Hayride

SAT OCT 28th  
7-10 PM

Winding Brook Farm 3014 Bristol Rd Warrington, PA  
Wagon leaves promptly at 8:15 PM  
\$25 per student

Includes Pizza and Drinks before hayride and S'mores after hayride

Please send payment & permission slip to school  
via Keegan Kulp Grade 7 by 10/13



**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023  
5:30 P.M.-8:00 P.M.**

**SJR Parking Lot**

*\*Early Set up can begin at 4:30p.m.\**

**Come Join us for SJR's Family Trunk or Treat!**

**Bring food, drinks & CANDY!!! Decorate those trunks, come in your best costumes and HAVE FUN! This event is for EVERYONE whether you decorate your trunk or not!**

**PRIZES will be given for BEST costumes as well as BEST decorated trunks!**

**\$20 ENTRY FEE FOR DECORATING YOUR TRUNK ONLY!**

**(spots with electricity will be limited so please bring extra extension cords)**

**In order to run this event as safely as possible:**

- Please bring store brought, individually wrapped Candy or Treats
- There must be someone at the vehicle at all times to hand out candy

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Please send the bottom of this form in with cash or check(made payable to SJR HSA) to

Nikki DeGuida c/o Aiden DeGuida 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

**\$20 per vehicle Forms due by FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup>**

People Attending: #Adults \_\_\_\_\_ #Kids: \_\_\_\_\_

Electricity (circle one): YES or NO

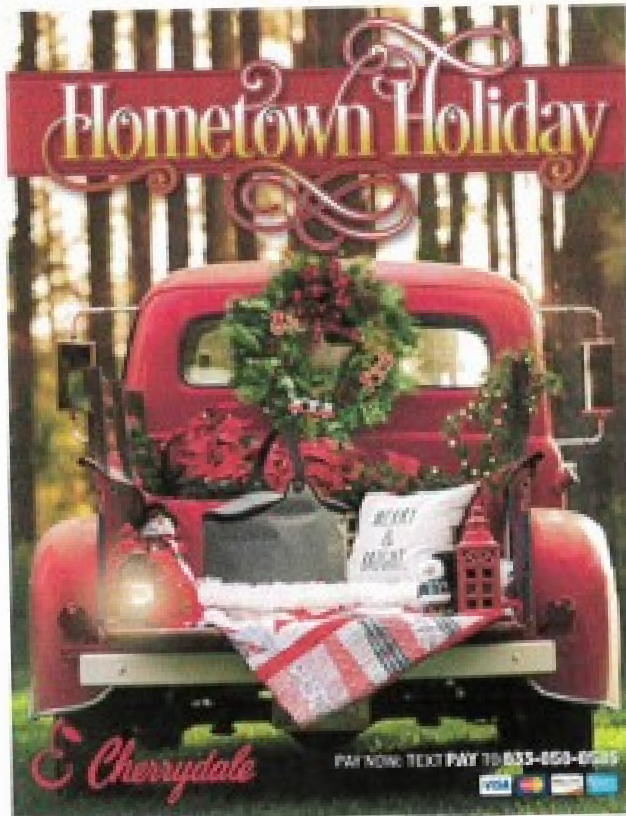
FAMILY NAME : \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Spots will be assigned. I will do my best to accommodate requests

REQUESTS: \_\_\_\_\_



# COOKIE DOUGH/CHERRYDALE FUNDRAISER!



The catalogs are out! Some details to know before selling.

-All frozen items will be shipped to the school and must be picked up on delivery date which is set for **November 27<sup>th</sup>**. Anything changes we will let you know.

- IF you order Frozen and items from the Cherrydale catalog in the same order then your **WHOLE** order will be delivered to the school not your home address.

- We must sell at least **350 FROZEN** food items to receive the 40% proceed from the sale.

**LETS SELL...SELL..SELL!**

**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR  
SUPPORT!!**

