



St. Joseph/St. Robert School Newsletter

FROM THE DESK OF MRS.
DURKIN
November 15, 2023

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

Dear SJR Families,

Blessed Solanus Casey would say, "Thank God ahead of time." As we move into the season of Thanksgiving, I'd like to take the opportunity to thank you for all you do for SJR and to "thank God ahead of time" for the love and care He will continue to bestow on our school and school families.

I'd like to thank God in advance for His care of our 8th graders as they continue to make important decisions about their future. Congratulations to Ashley for her acceptance into Mount St. Joseph Academy. We know she will "dream big and journey deep" on this next part of her path. I'd also like to congratulate Jude for his acceptance into Lansdale Catholic High School and for being awarded the St. Therese Scholarship. I'm certain that in his time there he will be a "contributor to the community in the model of Christ." Well done, Ashley and Jude! And God bless you.

A reminder that the Service Corp is holding a bake sale tomorrow and Friday. All items are .50 and proceeds will be used for service projects.

A reminder also that Wednesday, 11/22, is a noon dismissal. All buses are available but CARES is not available at dismissal..

Gratefully,
Mrs. Durkin





Home and School Information

SJR Spirit Night
Tuesday, November 21st
4:00-9:00pm

Thank you so much for the awesome SJR Community support of our Walkathon for the Health and Wellness Program! The rain cleared out (mostly) and we had a great walk! It was awesome to have so many families join in again this year! **We have raised \$13,212.00 so far. That's wonderful and puts us right on target to meet our \$18,000 goal by Nov. 30th.** If you haven't donated yet, you can click on the Walkathon graphic on our website or send a check to school. If you have donated already, consider getting the word out to friends or family so that we can reach that goal and maximize the \$15,000 matching grant!

Please see the information below about our upcoming events:



Sopranos Spirit Night - Tuesday, 11/21:

Plan to eat at Sopranos or get take out next week (pick up only, no deliveries) on Tuesday, November 21st to benefit SJR's HSA! Details are on the flyer below.

Cherrydale Pickup - Wednesday, 11/29:

Cherrydale Order Pickup at school is on Wednesday, November 29th between 3:00p.m. - 7:00p.m. All orders that included frozen items ship directly to school. Other orders had the option to ship to your home or school. Parents, you should have received email notices when people placed orders under your child's name telling you if they had their items shipped to the school.

Christmas Tree Lighting - Thursday, 12/7:

Don't miss the second annual SJR Christmas Tree Lighting on Thursday evening, December 7th. It will be a wonderful way to kick off the Christmas season at SJR! See the flyer below.

Online Safety - Tuesday, 1/16 7:00p.m.

Our second HSA meeting has been re-scheduled for January 16th so that Annabel Dotzman, The Associate Director of Educational Technology for The Archdiocese of Philadelphia, can join us to provide information about how to guide your children to be safe online. Please mark your calendars.

Bingo - Friday, 1/19:

Mark your calendar for the new year! We hope the ladies of SJR can join in the Bingo fun on January 19th. There will be some communication coming up seeking assistance with the baskets for the silent auction.

HSA Board



From Around the School



Service Corp:

Bake Sale:

The Service Corp will be hosting another bake sale tomorrow and Friday during lunch! Each item will be .50. The proceeds will be used to fund Service Corp outreach activities.

The Tastykake pies that were sold will be delivered during lunch next week on Tuesday, November 21st.

Club News:

Art Club:

The first meeting of the new session of Young Rembrandts will be tomorrow. The group is very flexible so if you haven't registered and would like your child to attend, feel free to reach out.



From the Director of Advancement

Recently SJR had the opportunity to host a gathering of local school administrators, state Political Representatives, and representatives from Waste Management Company. We gathered to celebrate the impact of The Bridge Educational Foundation on our Bucks County schools.

The Bridge Educational Foundation, through the support of Waste Management, announced that they had donated \$157,500.00 of scholarship money to the families of Bucks County. A portion of these scholarship funds go directly to help support our SJR families. These scholarship funds are made possible through the Pennsylvania Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program. A huge thank you to the support of Waste Management for making these scholarship funds available through the Bridge Educational Foundation.

To learn more about how individuals and businesses can benefit from redirecting their PA Tax Dollars to support qualified SJR families with tuition scholarships, please contact the Director of Advancement, Kathleen Williamson at: kwilliamson@stjstr.org.



Parish News

St. Joseph's Parish

St. Joe's is looking to hire a Director / Coordinator of Religious Education Part-time employment – St. Joseph Church The position of Director/Coordinator of Religious Education (DRE or CRE) is a part-time, 12 months a year position. The complete job description can be found at <https://phillyocf.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/D-CREPart-Time-Job-Description.pdf>. Interested candidates should send their resume to: Rev. Joseph Bordonaro, St. Joseph Rectory, 1795 Columbia Avenue, Warrington, PA 18976; or Fr.bordonaro@verizon.net. Position available immediately. Call the Rectory Office with any questions. 215-672-3020.

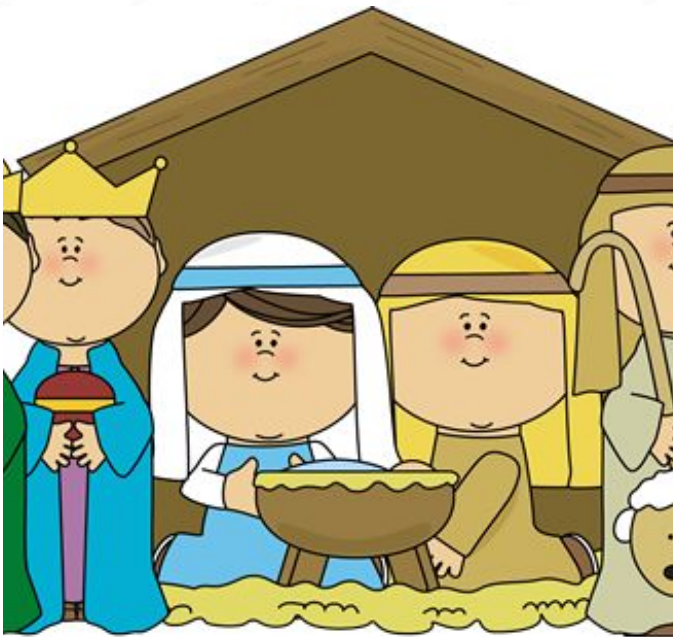
St. Robert's Parish

The SJR Christmas Pageant will be on Thursday, December 21st in St. Robert's Church at 6:30p.m. This is part of the SJR music and religion curriculums and it is expected that all students participate.

In addition, St. Robert's Youth Group would like to bring back, once again, the Live Nativity on Sunday December 17th at 7pm. If you would like to participate contact mompalo@aol.com before November 26th This is a great Confirmation project! It is optional for those who would like to volunteer.

Apple of My Eye

When a student is "Caught doing something good" any teacher can give them a red ticket. These red tickets are kept in the office and every Friday morning five are drawn randomly to be "Apple of My Eye" winners. This week, **Carson, Jake, Drew, Emma, and Michaela** are our winners! Congratulations!





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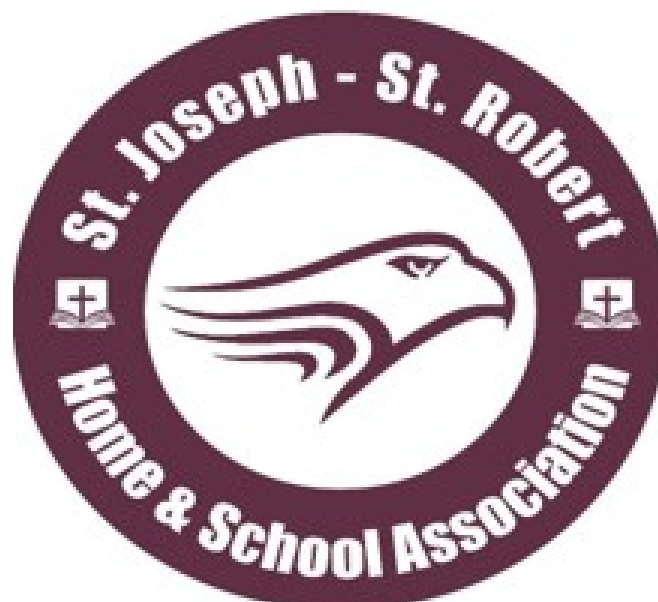
Located in the shopping center at Rt. 611 & Bristol Road

**Don't cook dinner, let Soprano's do it! Your dinner order will help support the
SJR Home and School Association!**

**The fundraiser applies to take out orders (pickup ONLY) as well as dine-in orders.
Feel free to share with friends and extended family!**

The SJR HSA will receive 15% of all SJR sales between 4pm and 9pm.

**Please be sure to mention "SJR HSA Spirit Night"
when placing your order!**



ST. JOSEPH /ST. ROBERT SCHOOL

HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION



Our next Bingo Bonanza Ladies Night Out fundraiser is scheduled for Friday, January 19, 2024. We have bingo rounds that are in need of a sponsor.

If you have a business or are employed by someone who might be interested in supporting our school, please consider being a sponsor. Your sponsorship will be recognized throughout the evening and in our event program. We hope that you are able to help us fund this event. Your sponsorship or donation is tax-deductible.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and please join us for a fun night on January 19th. Please contact me with any questions.

Gina Smart (ginasmart@aol.com)

SPONSORSHIP FORM

Please return this form by November 20, 2023

_____ I would like to sponsor a round of Bingo (\$250)

_____ I would like to donate \$_____ to be applied towards a Bingo round

_____ I would like to donate items to be used in Raffle Baskets (i.e. gift cards, products, etc)

Sponsor Information

Contact Name _____ Address _____

Company Name _____ Phone # _____

Email _____

Checks can be made payable to SJR HSA and return this form to St. Joseph / St. Robert School

(Attn: Bingo Bonanza Gina Smart)

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