



# St. Joseph/St. Robert School Newsletter

FROM THE DESK OF MRS.  
*DURKIN*  
January 17, 2024

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

Dear SJR Families,

Welcome back from our unexpectedly long, long weekend! The HSA meeting with the speaker on internet safety is rescheduled for Tuesday, February 6th at 6:30p.m. There will be a used uniform sale prior to the meeting beginning at 5:30 in the library.

In the words of Martin Luther King, jr., "Everybody can be great because anybody can serve....You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love." Our Day of Service making blankets for Project Linus was wonderful. The community made forty blankets to be distributed to children in need in the local Bucks-Montgomery County area. Thank you to Mrs. Man and the HSA for giving us this opportunity to serve. I'd like to congratulate an alum, Paul, for completing his service project to become an Eagle Scout. He did the research, fundraising, and assembly, to be able to install four bird houses on SJR's grounds. We are so proud of him and so grateful to be the beneficiary of his service.

There are a lot of our annual traditions coming up! Please read carefully for information about our Mother/Son Bowling, Sweetheart Dance, and Catholic Schools Week events. I'm looking forward to all of the opportunities to celebrate our community.

During Catholic Schools Week, we are excited to welcome you *and* prospective families to our Open House on January 28, 2024. The majority of our new families select SJR based on our enthusiastic voices! Spread the word and invite your neighbors & friends to join us. Please direct families to the Prospective Family Open House registration link on the homepage of our website to reserve a tour time between 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

God bless you and have a wonderful rest of your week!

Gratefully,  
Mrs. Durkin





## Home and School Information

***Thank you so much to everyone who participated in the Martin Luther King Day of Service Project Linus event. Please keep the children who will be receiving the blankets in your prayers.***

**Please see the information below about our upcoming events:**

### **Bingo - Friday, 1/19:**

Tickets have sold out! **If you did not get a ticket but would like the opportunity to win the SJR Basket that includes a \$500 tuition voucher for the 2024-2025 school year and a \$150 Flynn and O'Hara gift card along with some great SJR swag, please send \$10 in an envelope marked "SJR Basket" with your family's name on it to school by Thursday.** If you are coming on Friday you can buy chances at the event.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the collection so that we could assemble all of the baskets we'll be raffling off that evening. Please check the list on the following page- everyone who contributed gets to dress down this Friday, 1/19/24!

### **HSA Meeting - Tuesday, 2/6:**

Please join the HSA at a meeting which will also feature Annabel Dotzman, who will be speaking about internet safety.

There will be a used uniform sale prior to the HSA Mtg starting at 5:30 in the school library. We will have the following Winter uniforms: pants, skirts, jumpers, button down shirts, sweaters, vests, 1/4 zips, gym t-shirts, sweatpants & sweatshirts. All pieces are \$2 and cash, check or PayPal is accepted. Any questions please reach out to Heather Bargerhuff at [SJRUniforms@gmail.com](mailto:SJRUniforms@gmail.com)



### **The Sweetheart Dance - Saturday, February 10th**

Join us for a sweet opportunity for the girls and dads or other special adult to have some "Neon Nineties" fun at this year's Sweetheart Dance. See the flyer below.

### **Candygrams - Tuesday, February 13th**

On Tuesday, February 13th the Home and School will be distributing personalized candygrams to students and faculty/staff. If you would like more information about purchasing candygrams, the flyer is below.

### **Mother/Son Bowling - Sunday, February 25th**

Please see the flyer below to join in the fun!

Thanks for all you do for our school!

HSA Board



Thank you to the families who contributed to assist the committee with the Bingo Baskets. As a “Thank you,” the following students may dress down on Friday, January 19th.

**Adams (John and Lacey)**

Allen  
Ardiff  
Armani  
Ashton  
Augustine  
Bailey  
Bargerhuff  
Benscoter  
Berzins  
Bontempo  
Borello  
Branca  
Bray  
Brennan (Brynn)  
Burmeister  
Cerminara  
Corsini  
D'Angelis  
DeGuida  
Diegidio  
Dixon  
Dougherty  
Ellis  
Eriksen  
Ewald  
Ezokas  
Felix  
Fiorino  
Flaherty (Maxwell)  
Garofalo  
Greenbacker  
Greenlaw  
Hall  
Hare  
Hartman  
Hazlett (Vivienne)  
Heinig  
Hilpl  
Hoffman  
Holtz  
Hunter  
Illg  
Jaskowiak  
Kaplan  
Keegan  
Kendrick  
Keppol  
Ketterer  
Kiss  
Klein

**Kostrzewski**

Kulp  
LaBar  
Lai  
Long  
Luyun  
Man  
Mandes  
Mannaia  
McCardle  
McDermott  
McGettigan  
McKelvey  
Mooney  
Moore  
Moran  
Moyer (Mac and Emma)  
Namburi  
Nase  
Nelson  
Outland  
Paccapaniccia  
Palo  
Panepresso  
Peddicord  
Perks  
Ragona  
Rankin  
Reuben  
Rosenello  
Serpico  
Shimp (Ardynn and Luke)  
Shimp (Kelsey)  
Shoemaker  
Skorohod  
Smart  
Smith (Eric)  
Somma  
Sorge  
Stefanik  
Swanson  
Thom  
Warga  
Walter  
Warner  
Williams (Val and Grady)  
Wood  
Yogis  
Zhang



## From Around the School



Catholic Schools Week:

### **Catholic Schools Week Open House:**

Plan to join in the fun on Sunday, January 28th as we kickoff Catholic Schools Week with a flurry of activities during our open house. See the flyer below.

### **Luminary Walk Tuesday, January 30th:**

During Catholic Schools Week, we will again be hosting our Luminary Walk. The students will each be making a luminary bag that illustrates a prayer intention they have. As families take the walk on Tuesday, January 30th they can add their voices in prayer to each of the children's. See the flyer below and paste this link into your browser to see a brief video of last year's walk.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1xEjYD9tAUI>

### **Pizza Lunch:**

On Wednesday, January 31, 2024, the HSA will be providing a pizza lunch. This is different from previous years. **The pizza lunch will ONLY be for SJR students during the regular lunch period.** Students who choose not to eat pizza will need to bring their lunch that day as there will be no other hot lunch option. Please complete the form by Friday, January 26. At times, those who don't have an account through Google are unable to open the form. If that is the case, please direct your order to Kate Moyer at [KMoyer1724@gmail.com](mailto:KMoyer1724@gmail.com).

<https://forms.gle/iUL9c4yiN86KsCQy7>



Parents are welcome to tour the classrooms and see the children in action on Wednesday morning, 1/31, from 9:00-11:00. You are also welcome to attend The Brain Show on Friday if you would like. Please see the flyer for details.

# SJR 2024 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK EVENTS

## **Sunday, January 28: Celebrating Your Parish**

Open House 10:00 am to 1:00 pm  
Book Fair, Door Decorating contest, Passport Hunt,  
& Light refreshments

## **Monday January 28: Celebrating Your Community**

The Next Step Program Collaboration Kick-Off

## **Tuesday January 30: Celebrating the Nation**

Thank you to the Military Service Members  
Community School Rosary  
Family Luminary Walk 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

## **Wednesday, January 31: Celebrating Our Students**

Open House for School Families 9:00 am to 11:00 am  
Student Pizza Lunch Provided by HSA

## **Thursday, February 1: Celebrating Vocations & Faculty**

Vocation Assembly - Sr. Theresa Marie  
Faculty Luncheon Provided by HSA

## **Friday, February 2: Closing Celebration**

K - 8th Attend First Friday Mass  
Brain Show Sponsored by HSA  
\* Pre-K - 4th 10:30 AM\* 5th - 8th 1:15 PM  
School Families are Invited To Attend Both!



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Catholic Schools  
United in Faith and Community



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# Open House!

St. Joseph/St. Robert School

Join us on January 28th from 10:00am-1:00pm!

## Event Includes:

- Tour Of The School
- Breakfast Treats In Cafeteria
- Meet and Greet With Students, Teachers, and Administration

## Fun Activities:

- Book Fair
- Classroom Door Decorating Contest Voting
- SJR Passport Hunt!
  - **\*Complete to Win a Prize\***



We look forward to seeing you there!



# Luminary Family Prayer Walk



Please join us for a prayful time of reflection in the school parking lot on

Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2024  
anytime between  
6-7pm

Hot chocolate will be served.





**ST. JOSEPH  
ST. ROBERT**



**CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

**Pre-K, Kindergarten & 1st to 8th Grade**

**OPEN HOUSE**

**Sunday, January 28**

**10:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

**Grants &  
Scholarships  
Available**



**Celebrating Catholic Schools Week 2024**

**Call 215.343.5100 OR VISIT [STJSTR.ORG](http://STJSTR.ORG)**

**Plan to attend our Open House to kick off Catholic  
Schools Week!**

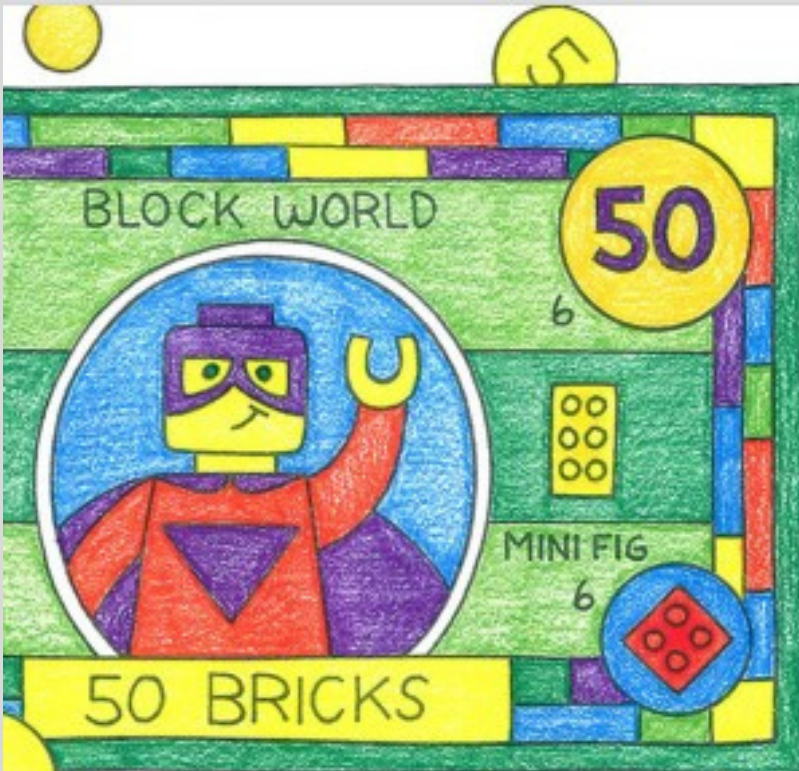
**Book Fair!**

**Vote on the Classroom Door Decorations!**

**Enjoy Breakfast Treats!**

**“Passport” Scavenger Hunt**





# Elementary Drawing

## Classes for Kids



Young Rembrandts



## ALL NEW LESSONS EVERY SESSION!

Join us at St Joseph St Roberts School

Make this a memorable time by signing up your elementary child in a Young Rembrandts drawing class. Your child will learn about design, composition and illustration using our unique step-by-step drawing method. Besides strengthening your child's drawing and coloring skills, he or she will also learn about art history as we present lessons featuring a master artist. Don't miss out, enroll now!



### Classes

Thursday  
3:15 PM - 4:15 PM  
02/01/2024 - 03/21/2024



### Tuition

\$140.00  
(8 Week Session)



### Enrollment

ENROLL ONLINE at  
[www.youngrembrandts.com/buxmont-pa](http://www.youngrembrandts.com/buxmont-pa)



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[youngrembrandts.com](http://youngrembrandts.com) to find  
a class near you



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# 90'S NEON SWEETHEART DANCE

**OUR SJR LADIES ARE INVITED TO BRING THEIR FAVORITE GUY  
FOR A NIGHT OF 90'S NEON FUN AT THE 2024 SWEETHEART DANCE!**

**WHEN: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH**

**TIME: 7-9PM (PICTURES BEGIN AT 6:45)**

**WHERE: SJR CAFETERIA**

**COST: \$30 FOR FIRST TWO FAMILY MEMBERS. \$5 FOR EACH  
ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER**

**PLEASE RETURN THE BOTTOM OF THIS FORM WITH YOUR PAYMENT  
TO KELLY BONTEMPO C/O EMMA BONTEMPO (GRADE 3) BY  
FEBRUARY 2ND. CASH OR CHECK ACCEPTED. PLEASE MAKE CHECKS  
PAYABLE TO SJR HSA.**

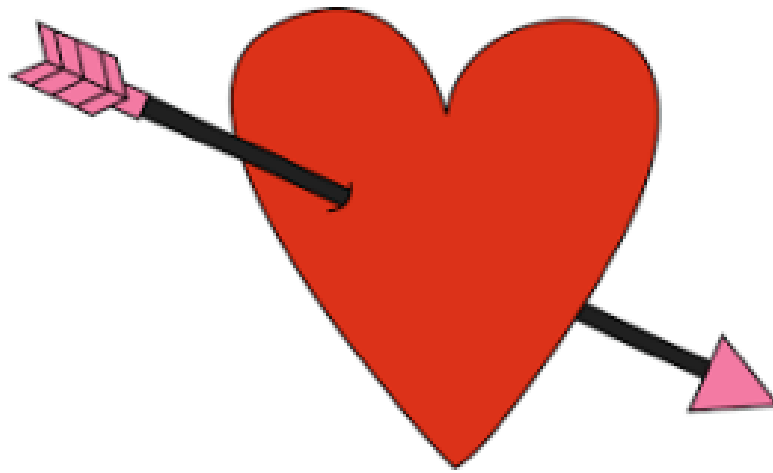
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**SJR STUDENTS:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**ESCORT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_



# Valentine's Day Candy-grams



SJR Candy Grams are back!

On Tuesday, February 13, the SJR Home & School Association will be acting as cupid and will be delivering personalized candy grams to students and faculty!

If you would like to send your child or a faculty member a personalized candy gram, simply cut out a gram, fill it out, and send in to school attention: Lauren Kulp c/o Keegan grade 7, along with payment. Each candy gram is \$1 and includes a few Hershey Kisses. Parents, grandparents, siblings, friends – everyone can participate!

Students are encouraged to spread kindness and take part in the fun! All candy grams are due by Thursday, February 8! If sending a gram to any child in Pre-K or K, please make sure to specify teacher's name.

Any questions contact Lauren Kulp at [lmkulp11@gmail.com](mailto:lmkulp11@gmail.com)



Happy Valentine's Day!



To: \_\_\_\_\_

Must have first and last name

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_



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To: \_\_\_\_\_

Must have first and last name

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

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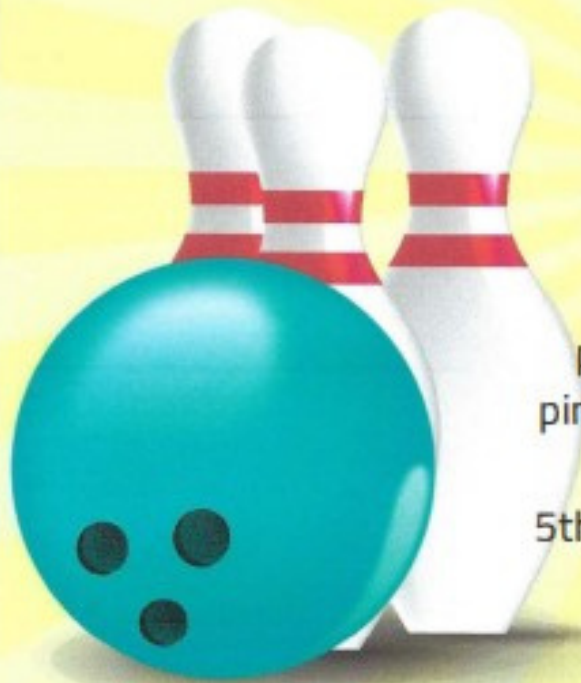
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15th Annual SJR

# Mother - Son

# BOWLING



**Sunday, February 25th 2024  
from 3:00 - 5:00 P.M.**

\$18 per bowler includes 2 hours of bowling, shoes, pizza and drinks. Max 6 bowlers per lane. A bowling pin trophy will go to mother/son team with top single game high score. (one for PreK-4th and one for 5th-8th) Arrangements can be made if you have 2 or more sons. You can bowl with them all or invite a mother figure to bowl with each additional child.

**Thunderbird Lanes 1475 Street Road**

Please return completed form to Nathan Bargerhuff Grade 7 by **January 31st**.  
Contact Ben Bargerhuff with any questions at: [bb4@bu.edu](mailto:bb4@bu.edu)

Number of Sons: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$18 = \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Mothers (or Mother Figures): \_\_\_\_\_ x \$18 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Due: \_\_\_\_\_

Child(ren) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Grade(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks out to SJR HSA