



St. Joseph/St. Robert School Newsletter

FROM THE DESK OF MRS.
DURKIN
January 24, 2024

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

The St. Joseph/St. Robert School Mission Statement

The St. Joseph/St. Robert School community, with Jesus as our foundation, inspires us to live fully His message of love, courage, and compassion. Our academic rigor and relevance empower us to be contributing member of the Church and the global community.

As we stand on the bring of Catholic Schools Week, I am reminded of the words of St. John Bosco who once said, "Education is a thing of the heart." As a community, we are committed to a school which, in its words and deeds, infuses the day with our Catholic identity. We appreciate your level of support, cooperation, and collaboration and are looking forward to celebrating with you next week. Please see the flyer for information and let me know if you have any questions. A reminder to rsvp so that we know how many slices of pizza your child would like at the lunch next Wednesday. <https://forms.gle/3LBLELWXMAACUNpd7> If you do not rsvp, just be sure to pack a lunch that day.

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 Week 2024
January 28-February 2

Home and School Information



Thank you so much to everyone who made the HSA Barbie Bingo Night such a huge success!
Thank you to Mrs. Dixon and Mrs. Smart for leading the committee.
Thank you to Mr. Shimp for calling the games.
Thank you to Maggie, Ellie, Emma, Ashley, Maddie, Charlotte, Carleigh, Hannah, Kylie, and Kelsey for pitching in!
And thank you to all of you who attended or supported the basket effort!

Please see the information below about our upcoming events:

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 Meeting 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

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



Number of Schools

There are 5,920 Catholic schools in the United States; 4,746 are elementary/middle schools and 1,174 are secondary schools.



Source: U.S. Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools 2022-2023: The Annual Statistical Report on Schools, Enrollment and Staffing (NCEA).

Staffing of Schools

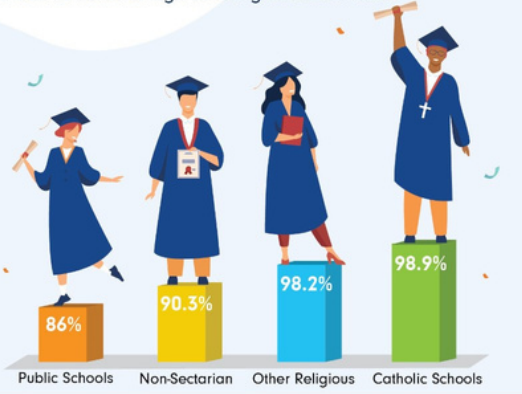
Elementary 12.1:1
Secondary 10.3:1
National 11.5:1



Source: U.S. Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools 2022-2023: The Annual Statistical Report on Schools, Enrollment and Staffing (NCEA).

U.S. Graduation Rates

A look at national high school graduation rates.



Source: Broughman et al. (2021); Irwin et al. (2022)

From Around the School

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.

<https://forms.gle/3LBLBLWXMAACUNpd7>

Wednesday, January 30th:

Parents are welcome to tour the classrooms and see the children in action on Wednesday morning, 1/31, from 9:00-11:00. Please make it a point to go into the classroom where your child will be going next year, too!

Closing Mass 2/2:

Please feel free to join us for Mass at 9:00a.m.

The Brain Show 2/2: You are also welcome to attend The Brain Show on Friday if you would like. Please see the flyer for details.



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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



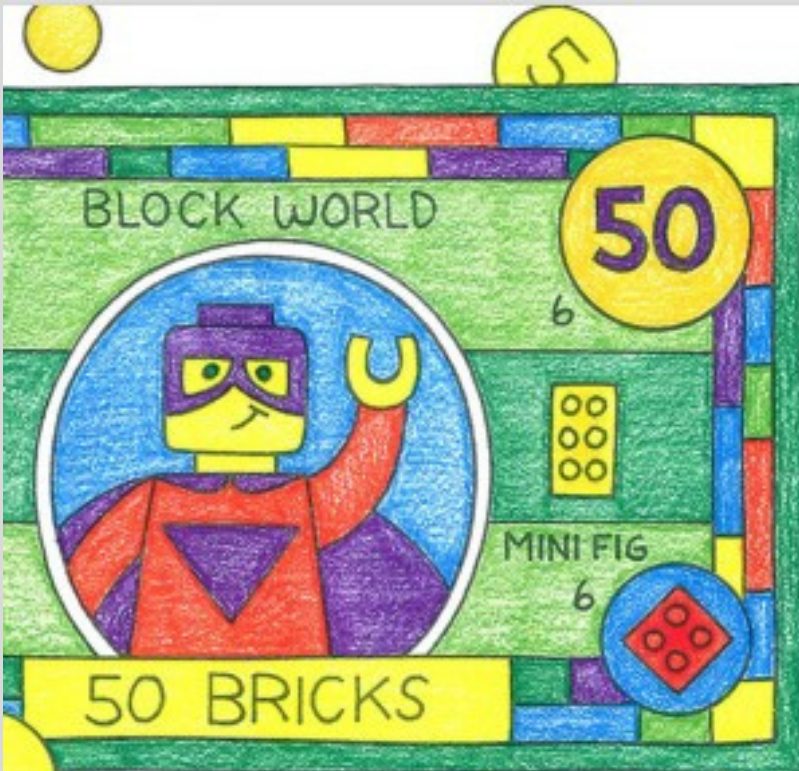
Please join us for a prayful time of reflection in the school parking lot on

Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2024
anytime between

6-7pm

Hot chocolate will be served.





Elementary Drawing

Classes for Kids



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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

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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**

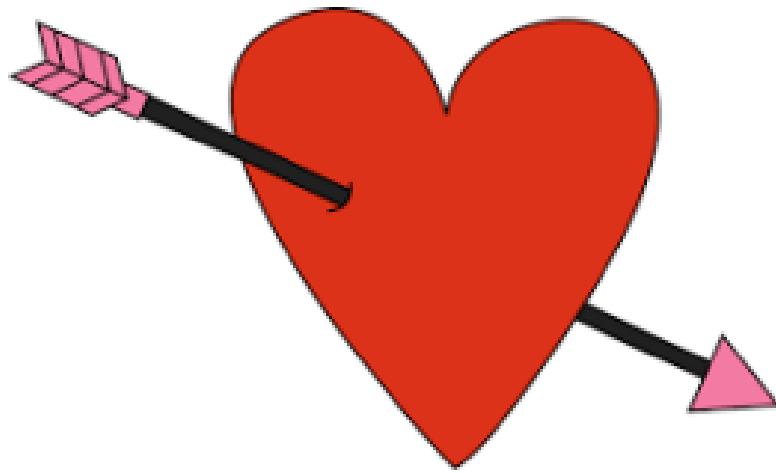
**PLEASE RETURN THE BOTTOM OF THIS FORM WITH YOUR PAYMENT
TO KELLY BONTEMPO C/O EMMA BONTEMPO (GRADE 3) BY
FEBRUARY 2ND. CASH OR CHECK ACCEPTED. PLEASE MAKE CHECKS
PAYABLE TO SJR HSA.**

FAMILY NAME: _____

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



Happy Valentine's Day!



To: _____

Must have first and last name

Class: _____

From: _____



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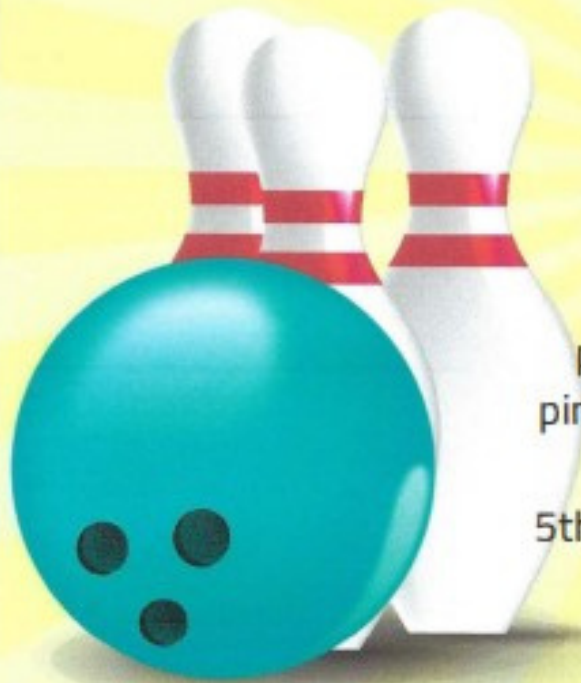
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From: _____

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

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