



# St. Joseph/St. Robert School Newsletter

FROM THE DESK OF MRS. DURKIN  
December 4, 2025

The mission of schools is to develop a sense of truth, of what is good and beautiful. And this takes place through a rich path made up of many ingredients. True education enables us to love life and opens us to the fullness of life.

— Pope Francis

Dear SJR Families,

There's a lot happening this time of year, but I want to highlight a couple of upcoming events. Our first trimester closes on Friday. Your child will bring home their report card on Wednesday, December 17th. We appreciate your continued partnership as we work together to support your child's growth and learning.

On Friday evening at 6:00 p.m., our HSA will host the annual tree lighting. It's sure to be a festive and joyful gathering!

Then on Tuesday, students may start wearing Christmas accessories with their uniforms—Christmas ties, socks, hats, etc. Please keep items simple and not overly distracting - Nothing with noises or blinking lights, etc. If any item becomes too much of a distraction during the day, teachers may have your child put it in their backpack. Choose wisely:)

Our Christmas Band Concert is Tuesday evening at 6:30p.m. in the cafeteria. (This was listed incorrectly on our calendar. I've corrected this. My apologies.)

As we walk through this First Week of Advent, let's try to pause, breathe, and make room in our hearts for hope. May this week draw us closer to the promise that God is with us, and may His hope guide our steps each day.

Gratefully,

Mrs. Durkin





## School News



Enrollment for 2026-27 is open for those who are entering Pre-K or Kindergarten next year. Enrollment for grades 1-8 opens in January. Please see Mrs. Williamson’s information below.

### Square 1 Art Orders:

Friday is the last day for parents to order keepsakes from square 1 art! They make great Christmas gifts for family members!

### Christmas Pageant:

Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> SJR’s Christmas Pageant in St. Robert’s Church at 6:30p.m. All students have been practicing during Music class and are expected to attend. It’s a beautiful way to begin the final week of Advent.



Get the Scoop on Kindergarten at St. Joseph/St. Robert School. Learn what makes our half-day & full-day Kindergarten so special. Join us for one of our Kindergarten sessions on December 11th, or 15th from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM. Parents with children in our Pre-K or those new to our community are welcome to join us! See the flyer for more information.

### Yearbook Cover Design Contest!

The yearbook club has planned a contest to create the cover for this year’s yearbook. All students are welcome to create a submission. See below for the guidelines and deadline! If you have any questions, you can reach out to Mrs. Rosenello at [kathleenrosenello@gmail.com](mailto:kathleenrosenello@gmail.com)



### Drama Club

Things are moving along with our Drama Club’s work on this year’s production. There is no drama club meeting today or Friday. Parents are reminded to check the Band app for all drama club information.

<https://band.us/n/aaa9b2kcgeR8U>

Please see the flyer/order form below for the Drama Club’s “Spoonful of Sugar” fundraiser.

**From the Director of Enrollment  
Mrs. Kathy Williamson**

# **Pre-K and Kindergarten Enrollment for 2026-27 is Now Open**

As we prepare for the 2025–2026 school year, we kindly encourage our current school families with a child entering preschool or Kindergarten next year to complete the enrollment process.

This secures your child’s place at SJR. Current families have priority enrollment now through December. Beginning in January, we will open registration to new families outside our school community.

To begin the enrollment process, please go to your family portal in FACTS and select “Enrollment/Re-Enrollment” on the left side.

- Type in your username and password. If you have forgotten your username or password, please click on the link provided
- Go to left-side Navigation Menu
- Click on Apply/Enroll
- Click on Enrollment/Reenrollment

The process should take approximately 15 minutes to complete. Your information will be saved if you need to quit and come back later. If you have any questions, please contact me at [kwilliamso@stjstr.org](mailto:kwilliamso@stjstr.org)

As always, please Like, Comment, and Follow Us on Facebook and Instagram  
Instagram - @sjrschool and @sjr\_homeandschool  
Facebook - St. Joseph/St. Robert School, SJR Home and School Association  
Please like and share our social media platforms with family and friends!



## HSA News

### Tree Lighting on Friday

Please join us on Friday evening from 6:00-7:00p.m. for our annual Christmas Tree Lighting! There will be caroling and a special visitor....see the flyer below.

### Little Elf Shop

Please see the flyer below to get more information about this shopping opportunity for the children. If you are available to volunteer, please let us know.

### Christmas Gifts for Specialists and Support Staff

It is our HSA's tradition to share a gift with teachers and staff who do not have a homeroom. Please see the flyer below.

### Mark Your Calendar!

We've added our Mother-Son bowling event to the calendar! It will be on March 15<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-5:00p.m. at Thunderbird Lanes.



SJR HSA  
PRESENTS

# 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

- Caroling
- Hot chocolate
- Santa visit
- Crafts

**DEC 5TH  
6-7PM**



**Please park in church  
parking lot or in the  
recess yard. The  
playground is closed  
during the event**



# Get the scoop on Kindergarten

St. Joseph St. Robert School

Thinking of kindergarten for your child?  
Come see what makes our half-day & full-day so special!  
We invite you to get the inside scoop on kindergarten  
meet our teachers • explore our classrooms • experience the joy of learning



Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> - 10:30AM-11:30AM

Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup> - 10:30AM-11:30AM

Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup> - 10:30AM-11:30AM



Register now online at [www.stjstr.org](http://www.stjstr.org)  
or call 215-343-5100  
850 Euclid Ave. Warrington, PA 18976





# APPRECIATION & *gratitude*

**15 AMAZING SPECIALISTS & SUPPORT STAFF**  
ASSIST SJR TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR  
CHILDREN'S LIVES. THE HSA IS COLLECTING MONEY  
AS A THANK YOU TO THOSE STAFF MEMBERS.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Monsignor Beisel | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Jacobs   | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. McReynolds | <input type="checkbox"/> Father Pawelko  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Crumlsh      | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Jacobsen | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. McWilliams | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Sorge      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Durkin      | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Koper    | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Moyer      | <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Williamson |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Ewald       | <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Macrone   | <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pena        |  |

*Please Consider Donating* 

**Venmo: @sjr-hsa**

OR

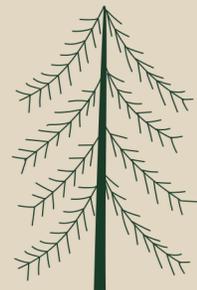
**Send Cash: Carla c/o Nicholas Shoemaker, 1st Grade**



Donations will be collected through 12/12/2025



*Thank You!*



# SJR Yearbook Contest

- **Grades Pre-kthrough 8<sup>th</sup>  
grade**
- **Must be submitted by  
January 9th 2026**
- **Theme- 100 years of SJR**

# Yearbook Cover Contest

# *RULES*

1

No computer generated covers

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All covers must be in portrait form

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Must have St. Joseph-St. Robert School written out (not SJR)

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Theme- 100 years- this must be included in some way

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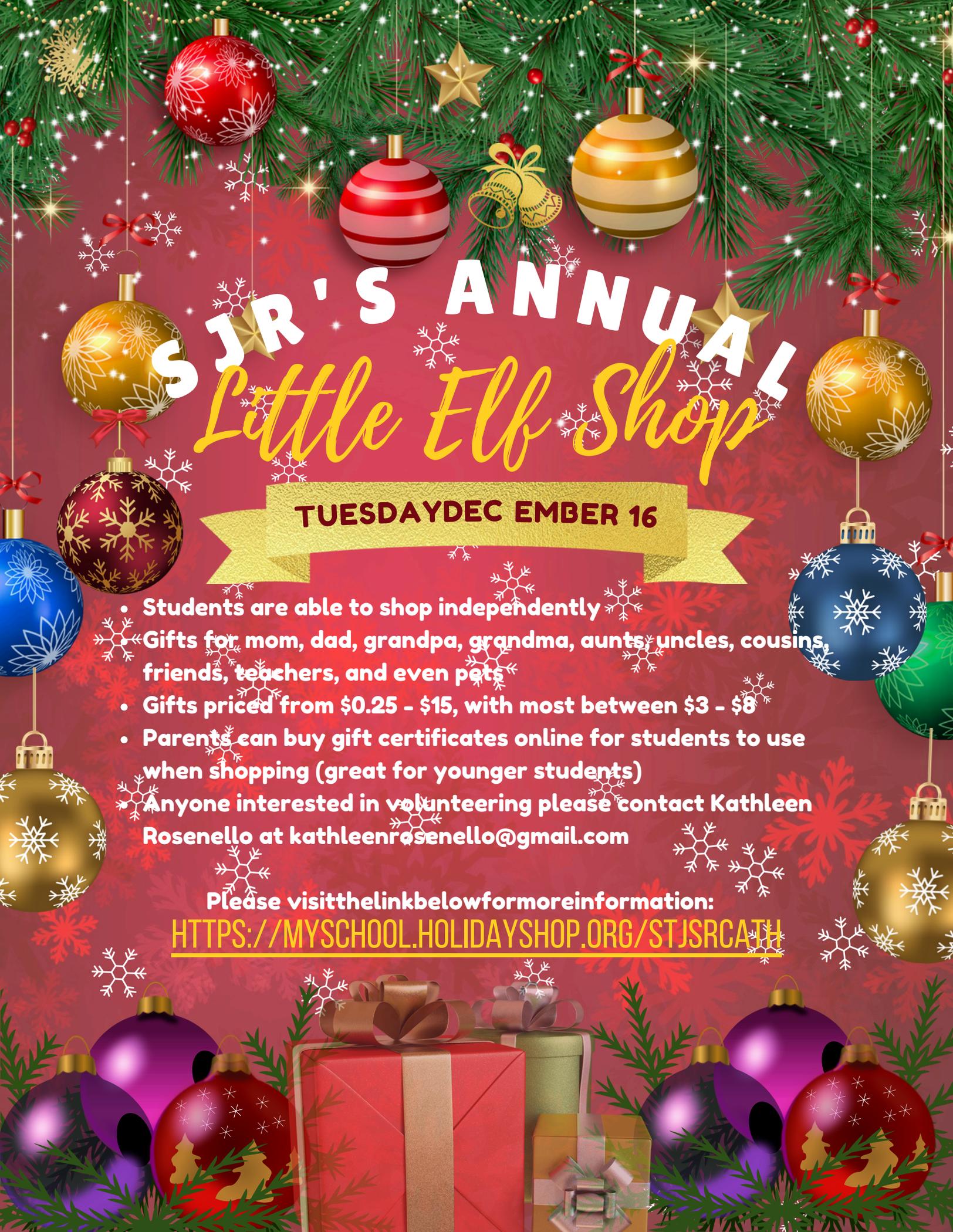
No misspellings

6

No names included on cover (your name will go on a separate submission page)

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No late entries will be accepted



# STJR'S ANNUAL Little Elf Shop

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 16**

- Students are able to shop independently
- Gifts for mom, dad, grandpa, grandma, aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, teachers, and even pets
- Gifts priced from \$0.25 - \$15, with most between \$3 - \$8
- Parents can buy gift certificates online for students to use when shopping (great for younger students)
- Anyone interested in volunteering please contact Kathleen Rosenello at [kathleenrosenello@gmail.com](mailto:kathleenrosenello@gmail.com)

Please visit the link below for more information:

[HTTPS://MYSCHOOL.HOLIDAYSHOP.ORG/STJRCATH](https://myschool.holidayshop.org/stjrcath)

**SJR DRAMA CLUB PRESENTS:**

# **A SPOONFUL OF SUGAR**

**HOT CHOCOLATE SPOONS!**



**They are for sale, Chocolate Spoons:  
\$6 each or 4 for \$20 - Orders due by Friday  
December 5th.**

# Spoonful of Sugar Order Form



Enjoy a cup of hot chocolate to warm the body and help the medicine go down. Simply dip the spoon in hot milk, water, or other beverage of choice. Stir and Enjoy.



The SJR drama club would love your support to assist with the costs of this year's theater production of Mary Poppins, Jr. The drama club members will be selling "A Spoonful of Sugar" hot chocolate spoons in preparation for the show on Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. We are excited to watch the magic unfold.



Chocolate Spoons are \$6.00 each or (4) for \$ 20.00. They make great holiday stuffers, family gifts, or the perfect treat on a cold winter day.



Orders are due by Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup> to Anne Keegan c/o Kara Keegan grade 2 and will be sent home with your child on Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>.



Payments through Venmo, check, ( SJR HSA )and reference Chocolate Spoon Drama Club or cash c/o Kara Keegan grade 2.

# Spoonful of Sugar Order Form



SJR-HSA Treasurer  
@SJR-HSA



**venmo**

Scan this code to pay

First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send all forms to Anne Keegan c/o Kara Keegan Grade 2.

Orders and payments are due by December 5<sup>th</sup>. ( \$6 each or 4 for \$ 20)

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Payment Type: ( Venmo or Check made out to SJR HSA- Drama Club) ( Cash c/o Kara Keegan Grade 2) Amount Enclosed.

Venmo \_\_\_\_\_ Check \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

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# OF SPOONS AND VARIETIES ( Milk or Dark Chocolate- All include Marshmallow)

Total# of Milk Chocolate \_\_\_\_\_

# of Milk Chocolate with marshmallow \_\_\_\_\_

# of Milk Chocolate with holiday sprinkles \_\_\_\_\_

# of Milk Chocolate with peppermint \_\_\_\_\_

Total# of Dark Chocolate \_\_\_\_\_

# of dark chocolate with marshmallow \_\_\_\_\_

# dark chocolate with holiday sprinkles \_\_\_\_\_

# of dark chocolate with peppermint \_\_\_\_\_