

February 20, 2022



St. Joseph Parish School Lancer Times

Weekly online school information by Principal Matthews

WEEKLY CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS

By: Chris Jackson
3r-Grade Teacher

The third graders have been working really hard on researching and creating a poster to share their favorite Winter Olympic sport. Some of the sports chosen were Figure Skating, Skeleton, Freestyle Skiing, Ice Hockey, Bobsleigh, and Ski Jumping. They have had to research and organize information into four categories: history of the sport, equipment needed, famous athletes, and fun facts. If you are in the building, please check out the posters hanging in our hallway.

They have also been enjoying reading the novel, Stone Fox, but they are really looking forward to our next novel, The One and Only Ivan. They have also started a science unit called Stormy Skies and recently created a model of the water cycle.



AT HOME FAMILY LENT RETREAT

FEASTING IN THE DESERT WITH JESUS

SIGNUP AT WWW.TINYURL.COM/SJPLENT
OR IN THE CHRISTIAN FORMATION OFFICE



In the desert I make a way, in the wasteland, rivers.
Isaiah 43:19

Teacher Luncheon

Monday, February 28th

Please help us thank our wonderful teachers for all of their hard work by providing them with a tasty meal or helping out by relieving them of lunch or recess duty. Please take a look at the items below and consider helping out. Thanks! - Your Teacher Appreciation Home & School Leads

[Click Here to Help](#)

SJPS is Making a Difference!

We have received numerous verbal appreciative comments and the letter below from the recipients of our Valentine's Bags. The third and seventh graders took the lead on our recent school-wide service project. Students at St. Joseph Parish School decorated over 100 bags and filled them with valentines that were shared with three different assisted living homes, the Rose Harms VFW post, the St. Joseph Parish Monday Morning Counters, and the Grafton Police Department. A lot of Valentine's Day cheer was spread in our community! Thank you to SJPS for bringing joy to others and living out our mission!

[Rose Harms Letter](#)



Our Human Concerns Committee would like to celebrate Earth Day at the parish by inviting the children and youth of our parish to create art (illustrations, poems, etc.) celebrating the earth. This artwork would be displayed in the Gathering Hall and/or in a video at Mass on April 23 & 24.

CELEBRATE THE EARTH THROUGH ART

"We are not God. The Earth was here before us and was given to us." -- Pope Francis



ART DISPLAY
APRIL 23 & 24
ALL MASSES

**We are inviting all children & youth to
creat art, poems, songs, videos, etc
celebrating the earth.**

Contact Sheri Hanson
w/questions

All artwork should be dropped
off at the CF office by March 28



ST. JOSEPH FEAST DAY

In honor of our Patronal Saint Joseph, all are invited to our Feast Day celebration.

Saturday, March 19

Following the 4:00 pm Mass

Hospitality in the Gathering Hall

If you would like to help by providing refreshments, baked goods or appetizers or serving, **CLICK HERE** to sign up or contact Sheri Hanson, Pastoral Associate, 262-375-6500 x175 / shanson@stjosephgraffton.org

St. Joseph Table

As is our tradition, a St. Joseph Table will be set aside as a place for donations toward the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry here at St. Joseph Parish.

Please drop off donations of:

bath tissue, Kleenex, paper towels, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, body wash, shampoo, and conditioner

All donated items will be distributed to those in need.

Important Dates to Remember

- **Wednesday, February 23: Chess Club after school**
- **Thursday, February 24: Hospitality after Mass hosted by 3rd grade**
- **Friday, February 25: Early Release 11:35, End of Trimester 2**
- **Monday, February 28: Teacher Luncheon**
- **Tuesday, March 1: Grades 5-8 field trip to Schauer Center, Bury the Alleluias at 2:30**
- **Wednesday, March 2: Ash Wednesday Prayer Service 9:30 & 12:00, Chess Club after school**
- **Thursday, March 3: Rosary Prayer Service led by 8th grade**
- **Wednesday, March 9: Chess Club after school**
- **Thursday, March 10: Mass at 9:30, hospitality after mass hosted by 2nd grade, 7th & 8th Reconciliation after Mass**
- **Wednesday, March 16: Chess Club and Crafting with Miss Johnson after school**
- **Thursday, March 17: Prayer Service at 9:30**
- **March 21-March 25: No School, Spring Break**

~IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM PREVIOUS LANCER TIMES~

Recently, there have been multiple concerns regarding drop-off/pick-up. Please review the following reminders:

- If you are walking your child into the building you must park in a parking spot and use the sidewalk to access the building.
- Park east of the canopy and use the sidewalk alongside the church for all drop-off and pick-ups if you are not using the car line.
- For safety reasons, do not walk in front of the cars in the car line.
- Pull your car as far forward as possible when picking up or dropping off your child using the car line.
- Only enter and exit through the designated entrances and exits on the drop-off/pick-up map.
- Please drive slowly in the parking lot.
- Students are not permitted to be picked up using the stairs off of 16th Avenue because there is no adult supervision in that area.
- Please be respectful to the busses in the morning by adhering to the stop sign laws and do not go around a parked bus with the sign out.

[Drop-off/Pick-up MAP](#)



Catholic Youth Football Club C.Y.F.C.

The Catholic Youth Football Club was formed to teach the fundamentals of football within a framework of Christian standards and values. Join our successful program and develop the skills needed to play at the high school level.

The CYFC program is a developmental program that is dedicated to building a knowledge and appreciation of the game of football. Players will learn the fundamentals of the game from a group of dedicated and experienced coaches that place an emphasis on instruction, development, and participation.

Registration is open NOW!

Attention all 4th – 7th graders sign up NOW!

- We field teams at the 5/6 grade and 7/8th grade level
- Player fee is \$200 (No players turned away for financial reasons)
- Practices start in early August.
- Teams will play up to 8 games.
- The season concludes in late October
- Players and families participate in community programs
- No required fundraising
- No required volunteer time

Please visit our website at cyfcfootball.com or on Facebook at CYFC Saints Football

Registration link available on the website

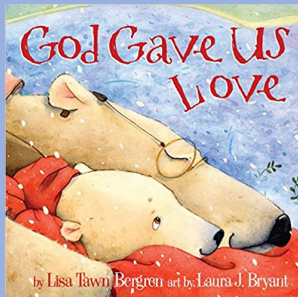
Players are encouraged to register by March 1, 2022

For questions, please call or email Head Coach John Young

414-403-1430

cyfcsaints@gmail.com

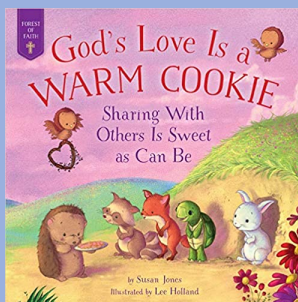
Mrs. Bartelt's February Book Recommendations ☐ Celebrating the Month of Love ☐



God Gave Us Love

by Lisa T. Bergren (Author), Laura J. Bryant (Illustrator)

Jesus taught us to love others, even those that seem unlovable. This sweet book will help your children learn this important lesson. Little Cub and Grampa's fishing adventure is almost spoiled when encountering a raft of reckless otters. Although Little Cub likes his otter friends, he is finding it difficult to show kindness because he fears that the otters will eat ALL the fish. Grampa tells Little Cub that God wants us to love each other even when we do not like how they are acting. Little Cub learns that he is loved even when he acts unlovable. Grampa teaches that when we show love to others, we are sharing God's love.



God's Love Is a Warm Cookie

by Susan Jones (Author), Lee Holland (Illustrator)

When a child is shy, it is difficult to talk to others and make new friends. This is how Hedgehog feels. Hedgehog wants to give something special to a new creature that moves into the forest. He is nervous, worrying that his gift is not good enough. However, Hedgehog learns that true friendship is not based on presents. It is based on sharing God's love with others. Young children will relate to this tale of unselfish love.



**SJPS is bringing back the 80's on April 30th, but we
NEED YOUR HELP!**

Connections matter! Not all 'asks' are the same. Your personal ties with family, friends and community can make a HUGE difference to the success of this year's SJPS Dinner & Auction Fundraising event.

Our auction team is hard at work bringing another fun and exciting event to life in support of the quality education we are so blessed to offer. Sponsors and donations are an integral part of this endeavor.

Please help us to reach new audiences by connecting with the family, friends, colleagues, and businesses that are a part of your life and asking for their assistance with our efforts. We are requesting each family make just one ask or share with us one potential contact for us to ask. Perhaps they have a gift card or product they would like to donate. Or even cold hard cash for an incredible sponsorship. Every single one matters. Please help us to make this our best event ever. Together we can!

If you don't have a tie to a local business, we would love a donation from your family.

Thank you, in advance, for your support of and investment in our outstanding school community!



St. Joseph Parish School is part of the Wisconsin Parental School Choice Program. For those who qualify, tuition can be free for your child's entire time at St. Joseph Parish School!

- **Families enrolling new students in any grade can apply.**
- **Current families enrolling a student in K4, K5, or 1st grade can apply.**
- **Enrollment February 1st - April 21st, 2022**

Qualifying Incomes

- **Family Size 2 - \$38,324**
- **Family Size 3 - \$48,312**
- **Family Size 4 - \$58,300**
- **Family Size 5 - \$68,288**
- **Family Size 6 - \$78,276**

To calculate the income of married families - take the total family income and subtract \$7,000, then compare that to the chart above. Example: If a family of 4 with parents that are married has an income of \$60,000, subtract \$7,000 and compare that amount (\$53,000) to the income limit for a family of four in the table above.

Any questions about the School Choice Program please call the school office.

Apply at <https://sms.dpi.wi.gov/ChoiceParent/>.

The 1st/2nd-Grade Brownie Troop has a few cookie booths coming up. Stop by one of these places to get yourself some delicious Girl Scout Cookies.

- 2/12/22 11:15 am - 3:30 pm Pick N' Save, Grafton
- 2/13/22 3:45 pm - 5:45 pm Pick N' Save, Grafton
- 2/18/22 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Walmart, Saukville
- 2/26/22 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Walmart, Saukville
- 3/12/22 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Walmart, Saukville

SAVE THE DATE



COVID-19 GUIDELINES

Please see the links below for the COVID-19 Illness Flowchart, Health Screening Checklist, When to Stay Home Guidelines, & SJPS Phase 3 Pandemic Plan.

We appreciate your support in:

- Promptly notifying the school when your child is sick.

- Promptly notifying the school when your child or a family member is diagnosed with COVID-19.
- Promptly notifying the school when your child is deemed a close contact outside the school setting.
- Continuing to keep your child home from school when they are sick.

Health Screening Checklist

When to Stay Home Guidelines

Pandemic Plan Phase 3

Donate to our Annual
Fund

SCRIP ORDER FORM

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Visit our Website

Parish Bulletin Look-up

2021-2022 Parent/Student Handbook

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~St Joseph Parish School: Teaching, Learning, Leading and Serving as the Hands of Christ~