

December 18, 2022



## St. Joseph Parish School Lancer Times

Weekly online school information by Principal Matthews



**Loving God,**  
**This Fourth Sunday of Advent, our hearts are filled with overflowing love for you and for one another. Come into our waiting hearts that we may celebrate the miraculous day of your birth. Welcome, Lord Jesus, for it is in your name, we pray. Amen.**

### WEEKLY CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS

**By Mr. Andy Smith  
Music & PE Teacher**

Greetings from the Music Room! December is a busy, exciting month for all of our students at St Joe's, as we are in full force getting our Christmas Concert ready for you!

Our youngest students in 3K and 4K are excited with several songs to get you ready for Christmas. 3K is especially excited for their FIRST concert. 4K is leading them well, since they know the ropes from last year.

Our students in K5-5th grades continue to work hard on our songs, singing and performing first just as classes, but now as one large group. Add to that all our budding actors in 4th and 5th grade, and you can be sure it's going to be a great feature.

Our Middle Schoolers are working hard, too, learning the most songs we've ever put together on several different instruments. A few of them are also helping out with some instruments during the K5-5th grade portion of the concert. I hope you will enjoy their important contributions!

See you on December 20th at 6:30pm for another amazing SJPS Christmas Concert!



## Christmas Concert December 20th

### Donations Needed

Items can be dropped off at school or before the concert.

To assist with hospitality after the concert we are asking families to contribute cookies and drinks. Please see below for the request of your family.

Families from Baker – Samineni Kumar: 1 Dozen Cookies

Families from Schaetz – To: 1 case of bottled water

Families from Torres – Williams: 2 bottles of juice

### School Advisory Committee

**The next SAC Meeting is Monday, January 9th at 6:30 pm. If you wish to add an item to the agenda or attend the meeting please contact Chair, Jenny Marquardt, at [jen\\_scud@yahoo.com](mailto:jen_scud@yahoo.com) at least one week prior to the meeting date.**

November Meeting Minutes

December Meeting Minutes

### Too Sick For School?

**Thank you for continuing to keep your children home when they are not feeling well! Please see the Too Sick For School Guidelines below for information about when to keep your child home from school. Please remember, all students must be fever free, without the use of fever reducing medication, for 24 hours**

before returning to school.

Too Sick For School

## SAVE THE DATE



## School Closing Due to Inclement Weather

Please review the following SJPS School Closing Policy regarding inclement weather from the Parent/Student Handbook.

*St. Joseph Parish School is under the direction of the Grafton Public Schools regarding school closings due to inclement weather. According to Archdiocesan policy, it is recommended that a Catholic school close for inclement weather when the school's area public school closes. However, the principal may close the school if conditions may threaten the safety of students getting to school. When unsafe weather conditions require the closing of school, the superintendent of the Grafton Public Schools will notify the principal and local television stations by 6:00 a.m. Specific information about the closing of SJPS can be found through local broadcasts and the schoolwide communication system. If you contact the school, be aware that there may be limited staff to answer your call. In addition, when school is closed or dismissed early due to weather, all school-sponsored activities are also canceled.*

## **Desserts for Homeless Needed!**

St. Joseph Parish has been asked to put our time and talent together for baking sweets and treats for Repairers of the Breach's Christmas dinner. They will be serving between 175-225 homeless brothers and sisters. We are looking for volunteers to make cookies, bars and treats for dessert. Please have the yummy treats to the parish kitchenette before 4:30pm on December 22. *Please label "Repairers of the Breach."*

If you have any questions, please contact  
Tim Burke ([t-burke@sbcglobal.net](mailto:t-burke@sbcglobal.net))  
or Sheri Hanson ([shanson@stjosephgrafton.org](mailto:shanson@stjosephgrafton.org)).

To help us plan, please sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4BA9AF2EA4F49-dessert>

## **SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED**

**SJPS is in dire need of substitute teachers! In order to be a substitute teacher you must have a Wisconsin Teaching License or a Wisconsin Substitute Teaching License.**

**No License? No Problem! Licenses can be obtained through DPI if you have an Associates Degree or higher. You must first take a short class through CESA and submit the proper license application to DPI.**

**More information can be found here:**

**<https://dpi.wi.gov/licensing/apply-educator-license/sub-permit>**

**Please call the school office if you have any questions or are interested in subbing.**

# Thank you!

**Our teacher luncheon  
was AMAZING!!! We greatly  
appreciate all of you  
who helped make our  
tummies happy.**



♥, SJPS staff

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- Tuesday, December 20: All School Advent Retreat in the morning, Christmas Concert 6:30pm
- Wednesday, December 21: Bowling Field Trip 9:15-11:00, Ugly Sweater/Christmas Attire Out-of-Uniform Day
- Thursday, December 22: Mass at 8:30, Early Release 11:35, Red/Green/White Out-of-Uniform Day
- December 23-January 2nd: No School, Christmas Break
- Tuesday, January 2: Carols around the Tree 2:45
- Monday, January 9: School Advisory Committee Meeting 6:30pm
- Tuesday, January 10: 2nd Grade First Reconciliation 6:00 pm
- January 14th/15th: RaiseRight Sold after Mass
- Monday, January 16: No School, Teacher Inservice
- Thursday, January 19: Mass at 8:30
- Thursday, January 26: Mass at 8:30, 4th Grade Hosts



**Hospitality after Mass**

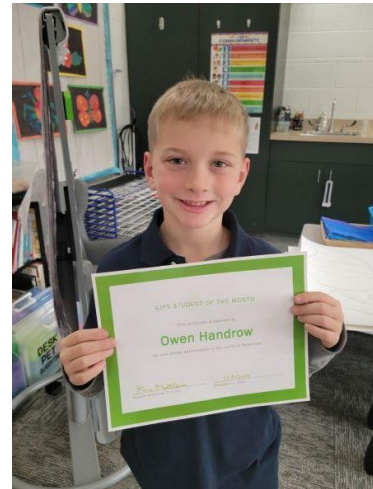
- **Monday, January 30: 9:45 Rosary in the Church**
- **January 28th-February 3: Catholic Schools Week**
- **Thursday, January 31: Open House 5-7 pm**

**~IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM PREVIOUS LANCER TIMES~**

## **STUDENT OF THE MONTH - NOVEMBER**

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**Emma Nguyen  
Ashwin Thavasi  
Owen Handrow**



## **DECEMBER EXTENDED CARE SIGN UP**

**Please use the link below to sign up for Extended Care for December. Extended Care runs from 6:30 am-8:00 am & 3:15 pm-6:00 pm. As always, if you need your child to go to Extended Care after school last minute, please call the school office.**

**Dec. EC SIGN UP**

## **FREE COVID TESTS AVAILABLE**

**The Wisconsin Department of Health Services has provided SJPS an abundance of at-home COVID Test Kits for FREE. Please call the school office at any time if you are interested in taking some home. Please note, we will NOT be testing students in school for Covid-19.**



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2022-2023 Parent/Student Handbook

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