

December 3, 2023



## St. Joseph Parish School Lancer Times

Weekly online school information by Principal Matthews



### Important Dates to Remember

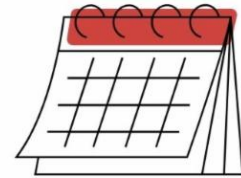
- **Wednesday, December 6: K5-3rd grade First Stage field trip 9:00-12:15, Young Adult & Family Potluck 5:00pm Mass, 6:00pm Dinner in the Gathering Space**
- **Thursday, December 7: NO Mass**
- **Friday, December 8: Mass at 8:30, Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, 1st-8th Grade report cards go home**
- **Tuesday, December 12: No Extended Care after school**
- **Thursday, December 14: Mass at 8:30, 5th Grade hosts hospitality after Mass**
- **Friday, December 15: Movie Night 3:15-5:00**
- **Tuesday, December 19: Christmas Concert 6:30 in the Church**
- **Wednesday, December 20: All School Bowling at Circle B, 12:45, Craft Class after school**
- **Thursday, January 21: Mass at 8:30**
- **December 22-January 1: No School, Christmas Break**
- **Tuesday, January 2: School Resumes, All Calendar of Cash Raffle Tickets and money due to the school office by 8am.**

**Don't forget to turn in your Calendar of Cash Raffle Tickets as you sell them! More are available in the office if you need them. Thank you for supporting this essential fundraiser! All money raised goes directly back to SJPS to provide resources to enhance your child's educational experience. All tickets are due to the school office by 8am on January 2nd.**

**St. Joseph  
PARISH SCHOOL**

# CALENDAR OF CASH!

1st Drawing is  
January 2nd!



## ALL ABOUT IT

One calendar raffle ticket costs \$20. The calendar will have 56 winners between Jan. 2 - March 22, 2024. Each day of the drawing will have a set winning amount (\$25, \$50, or \$100). Each winning ticket is reentered for multiple chances to win! Winners will receive a check.

## WHAT CAN I DO?

- Buy a ticket, or 2, or 3! The more tickets you buy, the more chances you have to win!
- Turn in tickets and money as you sell them.
- Tickets make great gifts and stocking stuffers!
- Tickets and money are due Jan. 2, 2024. No exceptions.
- Ensure tickets are filled out completely. Tickets with missing information cannot win.

**CONTACT ANY SJPS  
FAMILY TO BUY A  
TICKET! Or call the  
school office.**

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[www.stjosephgrafton.org/school](http://www.stjosephgrafton.org/school)  
[schooloffice@stjosephgrafton.org](mailto:schooloffice@stjosephgrafton.org)



# Family Open Gym

Saturday, Dec. 16th

9:00 - 11:00 AM

- All SJPS Students Welcome
  - Parents must stay
  - Siblings may come
- Enter the building through the doors at the end of the playground sidewalk
  - Cost = FREE

Come let your children run around for an hour or two while you connect with other parents!

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*SGPS 8th grade  
class presents:*

# Christmas Movie Night

**Date:** Friday, Dec. 15th

**Movie time:** 3:15 - 5:00pm

(pick up at 5pm - main school office doors)

**Place:** Classrooms K5, 6, 7, 8

**Price:** \$5.00/student

**(includes a treat and a drink)**

*All monies raised go towards 8th grade class trip*

*Attach payment to sign-up sheet when returned*

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Check here if your child needs to go to Extended Care after the movie

The Grinch, 2018 (PG)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Elf (PG)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Alone 2: Lost in New York  
(PG)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

The Polar Express (G)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_



The 8th grade class would like to

**THANK  
YOU**

Your support and donations to our  
Kringle sale are deeply  
appreciated and helped the 8th  
grade raise \$900 for their end-of-  
year trip!

*Kayleigh*

*Jack*

*Jaidon*

*Xavier*

*Morgan*

*Addi*

*Abby*

*Grace*

*Gabby*

*Matthew*

*Brian*



## **Weekly Classroom Highlights** **By Nicole Vaculik, Morning K3 Teacher**

Our main theme last month in K3 was Thanksgiving. Most students had little to no recollection of Thanksgiving from last year – they were just too young to remember! The students learned about the traditional festive foods, enjoyed songs, books, games, and projects about turkeys, and spent time reflecting on the blessings in our lives for which we are thankful.

Every single one of the K3 students began their “thankful” list by stating that they were thankful for their families –so it was obvious that they understood what “thankful” meant. As our list built through the weeks, we added everything from houses, friends, food, teachers, and pets to flowers, sunshine, dump trucks and chickens. Being preschoolers, another item high on everyone’s “thankful” list was TOYS!

Our lesson branched out into a discussion of ‘where do you think all of the toys in our classroom came from?’ Some replies included: “the store”, “Amazon”, and (my favorite) “maybe Santa?” Their eyes widened when I told them that nearly all of our



toys and many craft supplies were donated by school and parish families. Every student agreed that we should thank all the people who blessed us with these fantastic toys –we truly received some amazing items and are very grateful for the kindness and generosity of our school and parish families. For that, Mrs. Vaculik’s K3 class says: “THANK YOU!”



~Important Information from Previous Lancer Times~

# Young Adult & Family Potluck Dinner

All Young Adults and Families are welcome to join us as we build community and connection within our parish family.



Wednesday, December 6

5:00pm Mass

6:00pm Meal

RSVP at <https://tinyurl.com/Dec6Potluck>

Pot Luck RSVP

## Bags in Backpacks Weekend Food Program

Did you know, through a partnership with the Family Sharing of Ozaukee County, SJPS offers a grab-and-go bag of nonperishable snacks, breakfast items, and easy-to-prepare food for students to take home over the weekend?

To ensure no child in our school goes hungry, every other Thursday or Friday, any students who are signed up for the program will take home a free grab-and-go bag of food. The intent of the program is to ensure all children have food for the weekend ahead. It's easy to sign up. Just click the link below!

[Click Here to Sign Up for Bags in Backpacks](#)

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