April 27, 2025



St. Joseph Parish School Lancer Times

Weekly online school information by Principal Matthews

Important Dates to Remember

- Monday, April 28: 4th/5th grade field trip to Humane Society 9:30-11:30
- Saturday, May 3rd: Auction 5pm-11pm
- Monday, May 5th: School Advisory Committee Meeting 6:30pm
- Thursday, May 8th: Mass at 8:30, K5 hosts hospitality after Mass
- Wednesday, May 14: Spring Concert, 6:30pm
- Thursday, May 15: Grandparents Day 8:30-11:35am, Early Release, 11:35, Musical, 6:30pm
- Friday, May 16: Early release, 11:35, Musical, 6:30pm

The Auction is Just 7 Days Away



The St. Joseph Parish Dinner and Auction is on Saturday, May 3rd, 2025, 5:00 - 11:00 pm. The auction committee has been hard at work in preparation, and now we are looking for additional volunteers to help make this event successful.

To make this event truly amazing, we appreciate the donation of your time during the auction week of April 30 through May 3rd, 2025.

Please sign up for slots below!

Click Here to Volunteer Before, During or After the Auction

Meet the SJPS School Advisory Committee Members

We will highlight one member a week. Thank you to all of our SAC members for their dedication to SJPS!

St. Joseph Parish School

School Advisory Committee

Spotlight

Get to know Shannon Morgan:

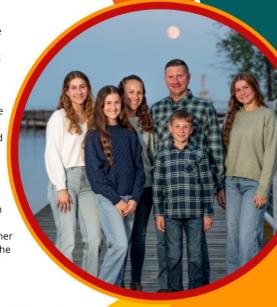
My husband Brian and I have been members of St. Joe's since 2006 when we moved to Grafton. We have been involved in the school since our oldest daughter, Marissa attended K5 12 years ago. Since then, our second daughter, Melanie, has graduated St. Joe's and we currently have Mackenzie in 7th grade and Mason in 4th. Brian and I have always been very involved in St. Joe's and the Grafton Community, including the school auction, both members of SAC, Special Interest Day, SJPS Athletic Board, Family Fun Night, Grafton Youth Girls and Boys Basketball, Grafton Gladiators, Grafton Stingers Softball and Grafton High School Booster Club. We enjoy helping others and volunteering our time where we can!

What do you like the most about your position?

I enjoy being able to learn about ways to make a difference in the school. We brainstorm ideas and focus on the best outcomes for our students. It's great to build a network of other parents as we work together to support Mrs. Matthews and the mission of our school.

What impact have you been able to have on SJPS being part of the School Advisory Committee?

Over the years, we have been able to support the school in many positive ways. We have moved forward with facility updates, new playground equipment, classroom enhancements and much more!



SHANNON MORGAN







A FUN AND NON-COMPETITIVE PROGRAM
FOR GRAFTON KIDS, **AGES 3-6**EACH WEEK A NEW SPORT WILL BE TAUGHT BY A VOLUNTEER

WHEN: EVERY SATURDAY IN JULY (JULY 5, 12, 19, 26)

TIME: 9:00-9:45AM

WHERE: SJPS GYM - 1619 WASHINGTON ST., GRAFTON, WI 53024

PRICE: \$40 PER CHILD

REGISTRATION LINK - COMING SOON!

REGISTRATION PAYMENT:

PAYMENT LINK COMING SOON
ALL SALES FINAL. NO REFUNDS.

INTERESTED IN LEADING FOR A DAY? SIGN UP BELOW *OPEN TO ADULTS AND MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGHER STUDENTS*:

<u>VOLUNTEER SIGN UP SHEET</u>
IF PARENT/GUARDIAN VOLUNTEERS, KIDS RECIEVE FREE REGISTRATION



Little Lancer Summer Sports Volunteer Link



One of our SJPS alumi, Marissa Morgan, was recently named to the Wisconsin State Girl's Basketball All Star Game this summer.

This is a charity event to raise money for childhood cancer and other charities in Wisconsin. Every All-Star participant must raise monetary donations to compete in the games.

To help fundraise, Marissa is hosting an upcoming Basketball Skills and Drills session on May 13, from 6:30-8:00 at John Long Middle School for kids 3rd grade and up. A suggested \$20 cash donation at the door or in the link below is asked

of all participants! This is a great opportunity to work on basketball skills and support a great cause!

Please sign up here by May 9 if your child would like to participate.

If you cannot attend the Skills and Drills session and would like to support Marissa and these fantastic charities*, you can donate here:

https://justagame.com/clients/903_Zdz2su/fundraisers/fundr_iqckun7w6h/partcpnt_nBhBgfBK58QW

*Camp Waubeek, Hometown Heroes, Garding against Cancer, Ronald McDonald House, and the MACC fund; Midwest Athletes Against Childhood Cancer

Thank you! Marissa Morgan

Weekly Classroom Highlights

"Little Disciples" Mrs. Vaculik, Morning K3

Our K3 students are very fascinated by prayer and curious about Jesus. Earlier in February, a student asked if we have a Valentine prayer, remembering that we said a different prayer before snack during the Advent season. So, in that moment—since I didn't know a Valentine prayer—we created a repeat-after-me prayer about love. It was so great to witness their curiosity and interest in speaking to God. We've learned that prayer can be words we memorize to say together, songs, or just talking to Jesus.

In K3, our favorite type of prayer is definitely song. At the beginning of Lent, the students decided that our Lenten snack time prayer should be the "Jesus, Remember Me" song that Mr. Smith taught them. They were delighted when this song was featured at a recent all-school "Stations of the Cross" service as they were so proud to sing along with the older students.

As we moved through Lent, the K3 students became intrigued with learning about Jesus-specifically that He chose to die on a cross to forgive our sins so that we can, one day, join Him in Heaven. Our Story of the First Easter book was constantly requested—over and over! Best of all, many parents reported that their child initiated conversations about the first Easter at home, teaching their families what they've learned about Jesus. We are becoming quite the little disciples!







~Important Information from Previous Lancer Times~

May/June Extended Care Sign Up

Seeking Buddy Families

for our newly enrolled SJPS Families

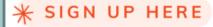
* What is a buddy family?

Buddy families help new families get acclimated with the school, answer questions about school activities, traditions, etc. Buddy families provide new families with a personal contact for their first year at SJPS.

*What to anticipate as a buddy family:

As a buddy family you are asked to make initial contact with the new family by the end of May, plan a time to meet before the beginning of the following school year (playground, local event, home etc.), connect in August to invite to Welcome Back to School Picnic, and then based on response meet up again in the first quarter (school event or what suits your families best).

Questions: Daphne Lingsweiler at daphne.j.blader@gmail.com





School families are a big part of what makes SJPS special – help share it with our newest families as they begin this chapter. Please Click the Link Below to Access the 2025-2026 SJPS School Year Calendar. It is also available on our school website.

25-26 School Year Calendar

2025-26 School Year Registration Is Now OPEN!

Click Here to Register

Click Here to Pay Registration Fee By Credit/Debit Card

In order to secure your spot, the \$250 registration fee must either be sent via cash or check to the school office or paid online using credit/debit through our online giving portal.

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