

October 19th, 2025



St. Joseph Parish School Lancer Times

Weekly online school communication from the Leadership Team

Administration email: principal@stjosephgraffton.org

Important Dates to Remember

- Internet Safety Presentation, 4th-8th - Wed. 10/22
- Family Fun Night - Fri. 10/24
- Crokinole Club, 3:15 - Tues. 10/28
- Parent-Teacher Conferences, 3:30 - 8:00pm - Wed. 11/5
- Early release, 11:35am - Th. 11/6
- No School - Fri. 11/7
- End of Trimester 1 - Tues. 11/25
- No School, Thanksgiving Break - Wed. 11/26 - Fri. 11/28



~ A Message from the Leadership Team ~

Dear St. Joseph Parish School Families:

St Joseph Parish School is committed to maintaining the safety and security of our school committee. To that effect, last week, SJPS teachers, aides and staff had the opportunity to update and review their CPR training with the help from Aurora Medical Center trainer Karen Warner and the Grafton Fire Department.

This week, staff will be receiving training on identifying life threatening bleeding and ways to effectively and efficiently Stop the Bleed through training with CUW School of Nursing Adjunct Professor, Jill Krell.

Looking to the future, Mrs. Gratz will be attending a Safety and Security workshop, *Safety is Culture: Learning for Adults, With Students & Through Parents*, presented through the Archdiocese of Milwaukee that will focus on tools and strategies to continue establishing a safe and secure school culture.

We would like to reiterate that we are continually looking for ways to enhance the training and education of our St Joseph Parish school

staff to ensure that every student has access to a safe, loving and enriching educational environment.

Blessings,

St. Joseph Parish School Leadership Team



Trimester 1 Conferences

As the end of the first trimester is nearing, please be on the look out for a communication from your student's homeroom teacher with information about how to schedule Trimester 1 conferences. These are required conferences and students in grades 5-8 are to be in attendance at theirs.



17th Annual Family Fun Night Monster

Mash - Friday, October 24

Thank you to everyone who donated prizes for **Family Fun Night**! Your generosity makes this event possible and helps create a fun evening for our students and families. We're excited to kick off **raffle ticket sales** for the kids starting **Monday, October 20th** through **Friday, October 24th** during lunch and again at the event Friday night.

There are many awesome prizes and lots of chances to win! The raffle will run "Fish Bowl" style—each item has its own bucket, so kids can enter for the prizes they really want. Larger items will cost **\$1 per ticket**, and **20 other items** will cost just **25¢ per ticket**.

Please help make this fundraiser a success by sending small bills with your child to participate. You can also use the raffle list as an order form to help younger children decide how they'd like to spend their money.

Raffle Item List found [HERE](#)

We are also still in need of **adult and student volunteers** to help the event run smoothly. Middle and high school students outside of SJPS can also attend and earn volunteer hours!

Adult - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084EAFA629A7F9C52-59363683-family>

Game Room - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084EAFA629A7F9C52-59370578-ffngame>

Thanks again for your continued support — we're looking forward to a great **Family Fun Night**!



SJPS Extended Care: If you are in need of childcare for your SJPS student, we are pleased to offer both morning (6:30 - 8:00am) and evening (3:15 - 6:00pm) childcare through our Extended Care Program. Please use the link provided below to sign up your student(s).

*We know things happen, but if you need to sign-up for a day after the Monday of that week, please

reach out to Amanda Christian via email @ achristian@stjosephgrifton.org or through the Extended Care Class Dojo to confirm your child's placement

*October Extended Care link located in end section of the Lancer Times

November Extended Care Sign Up

TOT OPEN GYM



Join us in the St. Joseph Parish School gym from **8:30-10am** to run and play! Open to children ages 6 and under not currently in school. Caregivers must stay with children.



Please enter through the main School doors and sign in with the office when you arrive.



October 29
November 12
December 10
January 7
January 21



MINI MUSICAL MONDAYS



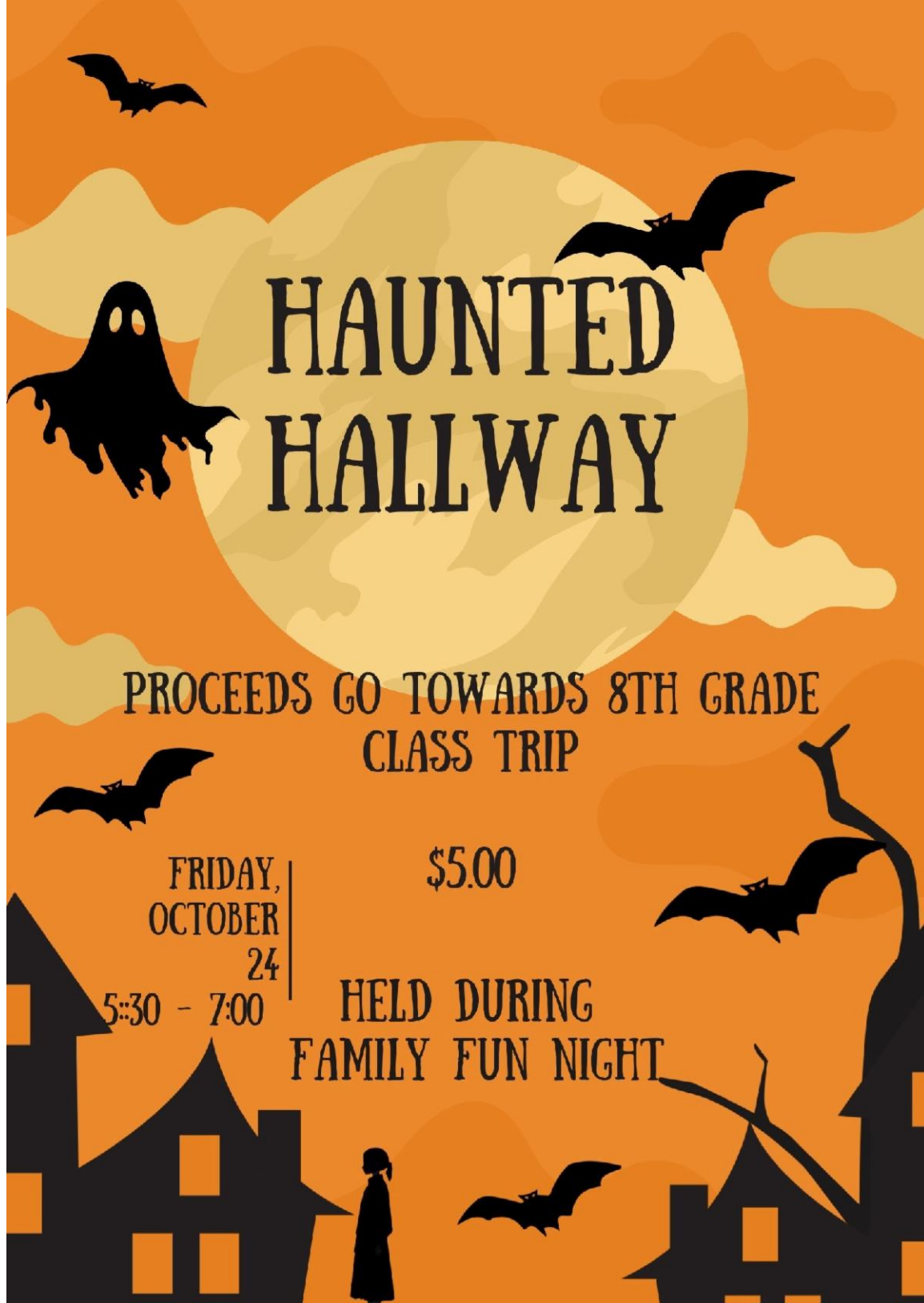
Mr. Smith, the music teacher, will lead children in some lively sing-alongs and hands-on instrument fun one Monday a month! Join us in the St. Joseph Parish School music room at **9am** to sing and have fun! Open to children ages 6 and under not currently in school. Caregivers must stay with children.



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November 3
December 1
January 5
February 2
March 9
April 13
May 4



SJPS at Weekend Masses

This year, as a school, we will be collectively focusing on continuing to enhance our School-Parish connection. To that regard, each month, a homeroom/grade will be featured at a weekend Mass!

What this all includes is: students are invited to attend Mass with their families (preferably in uniform), a piece of work they have done or an activity will be set up in the Gathering Space for parishioners to see how awesome we are as a school and to invite them to interact with school

families, Fr. Tim will say a little "blurb" during Mass to showcase that grade and a light hospitality will be provided.

A schedule of each homeroom's weekend Masses are:

- November 16th @ 10:30am - K5 & 1st--> ****Date change****
- January 24th - 25th @ all Masses - All classes(Catholic Schools Week)
- February 14th @ 4:00pm - K4
- March 15th @ 8:00am - 2nd & 3rd
- April 19th @ 10:30am - 5th - 8th

Weekly Classroom Highlights

By: Miss Chris Jackson, 3rd Grade Teacher

School Scene

By: Miss Jackson, Third Grade Teacher



Meet the St. Joseph Parish School Third Grade Class of 2025-2026! This hard working group of young people have spent the last couple of months learning a lot of new things. One of the biggest concepts they have been working on is the basics of multiplication. This is a major math foundational skill that they will utilize throughout their academic careers and beyond. They have also been working through the lowercase letters of the alphabet in cursive. In religion, the third graders have been learning about the early church and the Christians who were a part of it. Science has been filled with some fun hands-on activities about animal systems. In social studies, they are creating lapbooks that will display their knowledge of the three different types of communities. Finally, they continue to work hard to hone their reading and comprehension skills utilizing different stories and informational text, as well as participating in small reading groups. Of course we all continue to appreciate your support of St. Joseph Parish School so that we can continue to learn and grow in a safe and caring environment! And, of course, play some football with Father Tim!



~ GIFT CARDS OF GRATITUDE ~

A **HUGE** thank you to all the SJPS families who graciously donated gif cards from various local establishments and varying amounts to be used this year as a way to show appreciation for our SJPS Staff!



Each full, 5-day week, during announcements, a student randomly draws a staff member's name and they are awarded a "gift card of gratitude." This is an unbelievably generous and exciting gift we are able to share with our staff.

Winners so far this year:

- Mrs. Gratz - \$5 Starbucks
- Mr. Smith - \$25 Target
- Ms. Myers - \$10 Amazon
- Mrs. O'Dell - \$5 Culvers

★ **October Character Trait: RESPONSIBILITY**

What It Means:

Responsibility is doing what you are expected to do and owning your actions — even when no one is watching. It means taking care of yourself, your things, and your duties. Responsible people can be trusted to follow through, make good choices, and learn from their mistakes.

How Students Demonstrate Responsibility:

- Turning in assignments and homework on time
- Bringing necessary materials to class
- Following rules and instructions without reminders
- Admitting mistakes and working to fix them
- Helping keep shared spaces clean and organized
- Managing time well (e.g., balancing school and play)
- Taking care of personal belongings and school supplies
- Following through on promises or tasks given

How Parents Can Support at Home:

- Give children age-appropriate tasks and chores to build accountability
- Set clear expectations and follow through with routines
- Praise efforts to be responsible, not just results
- Encourage children to solve small problems on their own
- Talk about choices and consequences in real-life situations
- Be a role model—show responsibility in your words and actions

~ **Information from Previous Lancer Times** ~

2025-26 School T-Shirts, Lancer T-Shirts, & Sweatshirts



If you missed the Lancer Spirit Wear order we have extra spiritwear available in limited sizes—t-shirts: \$10, hoodies: \$29, and crewneck sweatshirts: \$26. Stop by the office or send a note with your student to grab the few we have in

stock.

In addition, we do have to place an order for others, so if you'd like something not on the list, please reach out with your families name, size (youth and adult) and quantity. Email Daphne Lingsweiler at schooloffice@stjosephgrifton.org or call the office 262-375-6505.

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BOOK SALE

Hosted by the Friends of the Grafton Library

\$1 per book
**excluding a "deal" table*

OCT. 23-25

Ozaukee Food Alliance
During our fall book sale, shoppers will be able to enjoy a **FREE BOOK** when making a non-perishable food donation.

USS Liberty Memorial Public Library
1620 11th Ave.
Grafton, WI 53024

Thursday, 1-7:45pm
Friday, 9:30am - 4:45pm
Saturday, 9:30am - 1:45pm

Friends of the Library
USS LIBERTY MEMORIAL
PUBLIC LIBRARY
GRAFTON, WI

WALL OF HONOR

OUR 1ST AND K5 STUDENTS ARE CREATING A SPECIAL PROJECT
FOR VETERAN'S DAY, WHICH THEY WILL PRESENT AT MASS ON
NOVEMBER 16TH, 2025

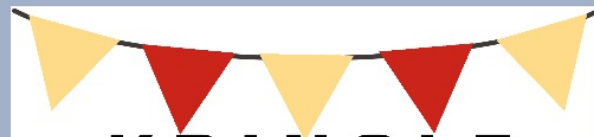
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HONOR A VETERAN IN YOUR LIFE ON
OUR WALL OF HONOR, PLEASE BRING A 4X6 PHOTO AND GIVE
TO MISS JOHNSON OR MRS. TEMPLE. PHOTOS MAY BE OF
VETERANS WHO ARE LIVING OR HAVE PASSED AWAY.

ON THE BACK OF THE PHOTO, INCLUDE:

- VETERANS NAME
- BRANCH OF SERVICE
- YEARS SERVICED

*****PLEASE NOTE: PHOTOS WILL NOT BE RETURNED.*****

SJPS First Grade & Kindergarten Students



KRINGLE SALE

MON. 10/6 - THURS. 10/30

A wonderful holiday treat!

*Help support the 8th grade class in
raising funds for the End-of-Year Trip!*



12 Flavors \$12.50/ea. 22oz. Oval

Pick up 3-3:30 on Fri. 11/14

GRAFTON HOOPS SKILLS LEAGUE

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

GRADES 1-5 BOYS & GIRLS

THE GRAFTON HOOPS SKILLS LEAGUE IS DESIGNED FOR BOYS AND GIRLS IN 1ST-5TH GRADE AND FOCUSES ON BUILDING BASKETBALL FUNDAMENTALS THROUGH SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND LIVE GAME PLAY. SESSIONS ARE HELD ON SATURDAY MORNINGS THIS WINTER, AND EACH PLAYER WILL RECEIVE BOTH GEAR AND INSTRUCTION TO MAKE THE SEASON FUN AND REWARDING. THIS YEAR WE WILL BE CAPPING THE MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS AT 90 SO IT'S IMPORTANT TO REGISTER EARLY TO SECURE YOUR SPOT.

JAN 10 - FEB 21
SATURDAYS

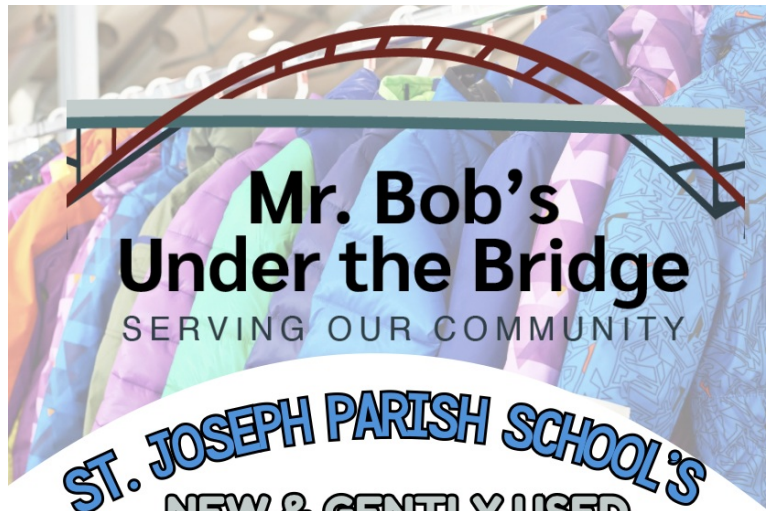
8:30-9:15AM OR 9:20-10:35AM
(TIME BASED ON REGISTRATION NUMBERS)
JOHN LONG MIDDLE SCHOOL
(2/14 AT GHS AUX. GYM)

\$100/PLAYER

REGISTER HERE: [HTTPS://GO.TEAMSNAP.COM/FORMS/499894](https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/499894)

ADDITIONAL INFO :

EACH PLAYER RECEIVES A BASKETBALL AND PRACTICE JERSEY
SESSIONS FEATURE SKILLS TRAINING + 5V5 SCRIMMAGES
PLAYERS BRING A LABELED BASKETBALL FOR WEEK 1
NO RESCHEDULES IF A SNOW DAY OCCUR



**Mr. Bob's
Under the Bridge**
SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

ST. JOSEPH PARISH SCHOOL'S
NEW & GENTLY USED
WINTER COAT DRIVE

Help Keep Our Community Warm!

Our 1st and 4th grade students at St. Joseph Parish School are collecting new and gently used WINTER COATS (all sizes) for their October service project.

All donations will be given to Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge to help those in need this winter. Donations can be brought to the SJPS school office during school hours 8:15am - 3:15pm, Monday - Friday.

OCTOBER 1ST - OCTOBER 31ST

<u>October Extended Care</u>	<u>November Extended Care</u>	<u>Home and School</u>
<u>Safe Environment Training Registration</u>	<u>Drop-off/Pick-Up Map</u>	<u>SAC Meeting Minutes</u>
<u>Donate to our Annual Fund</u>	<u>Parish Bulletin Look-up</u>	<u>Visit our website</u>

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