

March 15th, 2026



St. Joseph Parish School Lancer Times

Weekly online school communication from the Leadership Team

Administration email: principal@stjosephgrafton.org

Important Dates to Remember

REGISTRATION FOR 2026 - 2027 IS OPEN!

- \$2.00 St Patty's Day out-of-uniform 8th grade Fundraiser - Tues. 3/17
- 3rd - 8th grade Forward Testing Begins - Tues. 3/17
- Tot Open Gym, 8:30 - 10:00am- Wed. 3/18
- 2nd - 8th grade Lenten Reconciliation - Wed. 3/18
- Elementary Lenten Retreat - Wed. 3/18
- Last Lenten Fish Fry, 4:30 - 7:30pm - Fri. 3/20
- SJPS Mom's Night Out Peg Doll Exchange - Tues. 3/24
- Spring/Easter Break - 3/30 - 4/6

**THE LENTEN JOURNEY IS
A PILGRIMAGE -
A SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE
TO THE CROSS.**

~ A Message from The Leadership Team ~



Dear St. Joseph Parish School Families:

This week, our students in grades 3-8 will begin working through the WI Forward Exam. Students in grades 3, 5 and 7 will be tested in the areas of math and reading and language. The 4th and 8th graders will also be tested in science and social studies. This assessment helps us to better understand student progress and guides our future instruction.

It is also a good time to remember that these tests reflect a moment in time and can be impacted by a multitude of things. A test score does not define any child and simply offers them the opportunity to put to use all the gifts and talents they have received from God.

Here are a few strategies that you can use to help your child put their best foot forward in the next week or two.

- Ensure a **good night's sleep**
- Provide a **healthy breakfast and snack**
- Help your child **arrive at school on time**
- Offer **encouragement and reassurance**

We encourage students to simply **do their best** and trust in the gifts God has given them.

May your Lenten journey continue to be peaceful,

The Principal Leadership Team

****The Wisconsin Parental Choice Program March Open Enrollment Period for the 2026-2027 school year runs through Friday, March 20, 2026!****

Additional Reminders:

- Please sign up to volunteer at our last Fish Fry of the season or just come out to eat and support this major fundraiser. ****Any student who volunteers at or comes and eats at a Fish Fry can earn a dress-down coupon!**
- Please don't forget to put your name card in your vehicle for drop off and pick up!

Registration for the 2026–2027 school year is open! Please take a few minutes to complete your student's registration as soon as possible to ensure a smooth start to the upcoming school year. Early registration helps our schools plan classes, staffing, and resources to best support every student. Thank you for taking care of this important step!

An orange, rectangular sticker with a white border and a slight shadow, tilted upwards to the right. The words "ENROLL NOW" are written in white, bold, uppercase letters across the center of the sticker.

SJPS Leadership Team

2026 - 2027 Tuition Information

Tuition Support Options

Register [HERE](#)

Reminder

Just a gentle reminder that this time of year can also bring an increase in illnesses among students. To help keep our school community healthy, we kindly ask that you keep your child home if they are experiencing any symptoms such as fever, cough, sore throat, vomiting, or other signs of illness.

Allowing children time to rest and recover at home helps prevent the spread of illness and supports a safe learning environment for everyone. Please remember that our school policy for returning after an absence states: The student may return to school when he/she has no fever, is no longer vomiting, or is diarrhea free for 24 hours. Those 24 hours should be without the support of over the counter medications.



St. Joseph Parish School

**CALENDAR
OF CASH**

Calendar of Cash Winners:

3/9/26 Ryan Murphy \$100

3/10/26 Andy and Erin Prombo \$50

3/11/26 Jason Fischer \$25

3/12/26 Kevin Kunkel \$25
3/12/26 Jane Skibinski \$100

Checks will be mailed to each winner. Congratulations!



St. Joseph Fish Fry
SINCE 2000!

Feb. 20, 27
Mar. 6, 13, 20

All Meals \$17.00
½ lb Beer Battered Cod ½ lb Fried Walleye
½ lb Baked Icelandic Cod 6 pc Jumbo Fried Shrimp

Meals Include the Following...
Coleslaw • Potatoes • Rye Bread & Butter • Coffee and Milk*
*Milk is not included in Carry-Out

Traditional Potato Pancakes Served!
\$3.00 A la Carte or \$2 as a substitute for potatoes

Cheese Curds
\$6.00 A la Carte

Desserts included while they last

St. Joe's Platter \$19.00
1-Fried Walleye • 2 Fried Cod • 3 Fried Shrimp
Includes all side dishes

Kids Meals \$7.00
Fried Cod - Shrimp - Hot Dog - Mac & Cheese

Dine-In or Carry-Out
4:30pm to 7:30pm
1619 Washington St., Grafton

Scan QR Code to pre-order meals



Support Christian Schools
Proceeds from the fish fry go to St. Joseph grade school and are used to help with tuition, enhance learning, retain quality teachers, upgrade/purchase equipment and more!

FISH FRY VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED!

[Fish Fry Volunteer Sign Up Link](#)

****We have a great need for assistance at the end of our Fish Fry in cleaning up after the event. Please consider donating your time to help close down at the end of the night****

Thank you!

[Click here to view our newest Fish Fry promotional video!](#)

JOIN US

St. Joseph Parish School



BOOTS
&
BLING



ANNUAL AUCTION

SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2026, 5PM

DOHERTY HALL



The Details

- **Silent Auction** (can bid remotely)
- **Live Auction**, includes Fund-A-Need and great family friendly packages
- **Auction Raffle** - chance to win \$1000
- **Golden Ticket** - chance to win select live auction items for only \$25

\$50 PER PERSON

includes
admission to
the live event
and dinner
catered by The Stillery.



Purchase your tickets online, pre-register your credit card, and enjoy a "sneak peek" at auction items as they're added.

SILENT AUCTION BIDDING WILL BEGIN ON APRIL 27TH, 2026.

Visit: <http://e.givesmart.com/events/LaT>
or scan the QR code to order tickets and kick
off the 2026 SJPS Auction festivities!



DRESS CODE: BOOTS & BLING ATTIRE ENCOURAGED
WESTERN-CASUAL WITH A TOUCH OF SPARKLE!



1619 Washington Street, Grafton



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

Help Us Share the Joy of Reading!

Our 2nd and 3rd grade students are hosting a Book Drive and collecting new and gently used books of all varieties.

From picture books to novels, cookbooks to devotionals – every book has the power to inspire, teach, and entertain.

Please donate books that are:

- ✓ Clean
- ✓ In good condition
- ✓ Ready to be loved again

Donations can be brought to the SJPS school office during school hours 8:15am - 3:15pm, Monday - Friday.

MARCH 1ST - MARCH 31ST



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

March Extended Care Sign Up

Weekly Classroom Highlights

By: Mr. Jack Osieczanek, PE Teacher

School Scene

By: Mr. Osieczanek - Physical Education Teacher

In Physical Education class, we just finished a really fun unit on the Winter Olympics. The students learned about the history of the games and the opening/closing ceremonies. They also were able to participate in cross country skiing, curling, luge and bobsled. Even Father Tim participated!

During the next trimester the students will be doing Volleyball, Track and Field, Soccer and different games getting ready for Field Day.

Thanks,

J. Osieczanek

Thank you teachers and staff for everything you continue to do everyday to ensure our SJPS students are growing spiritually, emotionally and intellectually! Your hardwork is always appreciated!



Winners so far this year:

- Ms. Kim Klement - \$5 Culvers
- Mrs. Christian - \$5 Culvers
- Mrs. Lemke - \$5 Starbucks
- Mr. O - \$5 Culvers
- Mrs. Lingsweiler - \$5 Starbucks
- Mrs. Stengel - \$10 Culvers
- Miss Jackson - \$5 Culvers
- Miss Johnson - \$10 Culvers
- Miss Cathy - \$100 Amazon
- Ms. Longoria - \$25 Amazon
- Mrs. Temple - \$25 Culvers
- Mrs. Vaculik - \$10 Culvers
- Miss Cheryl - \$5 Culvers
- Mrs. Gratz - \$5 Starbucks
- Mr. Smith - \$25 Target
- Ms. Myers - \$10 Amazon
- Mrs. O'Dell - \$5 Culvers

~ Community Announcements~

VBS 2026
Register Today!

Registration

SHINING A LIGHT ON WHO JESUS REALLY IS
ILLUMINATION STATION
JOHN 8:12

Ages 4H - 5th Grade
MS, HS & Adult
Volunteers Needed

June 15-19
1:00pm - 4:00pm

stjosephgraffon.org/vbs

Mom's Night Out

Join us for a saint peg doll exchange!



March 24th 7-8:30pm

St. Joseph Parish Gathering Hall

Contact Lorraine Lochen to register by Feb 20th:

LORRAINE.E.LOCHEN@GMAIL.COM

SJPS at Weekend Masses

Please join us on Saturday, April 18th at the 4:00pm Mass to support the 5th - 8th graders as they showcase projects they have been working on. Fr. Tim will highlight the middle school and hospitality will be served following Mass.

~ Information from Previous Lancer Times ~

NEW THIS YEAR: TRACK AND TENNIS OFFERING

We are excited to announce that any 5th - 8th graders interested in joining track or tennis this year are able to join students at St Francis Borgia Catholic School. Those interested should complete the attached participation form(s) and turn in as soon as possible.

We are excited to announce that an extra-curricular, coed tennis team for grades 5-8 will be offered this Spring April 1st-May 25th! Caitlin Smyth will be coaching and she is looking for additional assistance. Practices will happen at Adlai Horn Park and will begin in March with matches starting the week of April 6th, 2026. **Registration is due by 2/26/25 with payment to the main office.**

Grades 5-8
 Will practice 1 day/week and matches 1 day per week and be coached by Caitlin Smyth. Practices will be on Fridays at 4pm-5:30pm at Adlai Horn Park. Match days will vary based on court availability and schedule provided. Cost for Students will be \$75.00.

Please complete Registration below in addition to the Medical Form, Consent to Play Form, and Sportsmanship Pledge.

Student Name:	Student Grade:
Parent/Guardian Names:	Telephone Number:
Emergency Contact Information:	Telephone Number:
Parent Signature for Participation:	

Tennis Registration Form

The St. Francis Borgia Track season begins April 6th, and the team is forming now for girls and boys in grades **5-8th**.

For your child to participate in the 2026 SFB school Track program, we must have all athletic forms filled out from this current school year and a current physical form in the school office. If you completed these forms for volleyball or basketball this year, you do not need to do it again. You must also pay a fee of \$60 per student. The money collected from this fee will be used for uniforms, referee fees, equipment needs, etc. If you are unable to cover the cost of this fee for financial reasons, please contact Principal Marissa Narlock.

There is a \$250 per family out-of-pocket maximum for participation in SFB athletic programs (volleyball, basketball, track) for the 2025-26 school year. This out-of-pocket family maximum does not include additional fees that may be incurred for special events.

Please return this form, along with your payment to the SFB School office by **Thursday, March 12 2026**. Your child will not be able to participate in practices or meets until all forms have been turned in and this fee has been paid. In 2 family households, each parent/guardian should return this form with their contact information listed to receive track communications. Please complete a separate form for each child participating. Separate checks are not necessary.

Please contact Karla Quadracci at Athletics@sfbhschool.org if you have any further questions. We look forward to a great season! **The SFB Athletic Association**

Please return with \$60 payment to: SFB School Office
 Make checks payable to **SFB Athletic Association**

GIRLS OR BOYS Track (circle one) Grade: _____ T-Shirt Size: _____ Youth or Adult (circle one)

Athlete Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____ Cell Phone: _____

_____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Email: _____

Track Participation Form

Uniform Reminder

A friendly reminder that students are expected to attend each day in clothing colors and styles outlined in our SJPS Parent Student Handbook.



We are now more than halfway through the school year, so now is a great time to check and make sure your student has extra school and weather appropriate clothing in their lockers (tops, bottoms, undergarments, socks).

Don't forget to peruse our school uniform shop in the library!

[Uniform Policy 2025 - 2026](#)

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.



February 4
February 18 10-11:30am**
March 4
March 18
April 8
April 22
May 6
May 20



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

<u>Monthly Outreach</u>	<u>March 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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262-375-6505

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

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