



Coming Up:

Saturday, Sept. 7th: St. Joe Parish Picnic

Friday, Sept. 13th: Spirit Day

Monday, Sept. 16: Chick-fil-A Spirit Night

Monday/Tuesday, Sept. 16-17: Vision Screening



- ST. JOSEPH OST -
CRUSADERS

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Crusader Connection Bullets

Kindergarten Parents! Just a friendly reminder that both ASQ questionnaires should be completed online by Monday Sept. 9th. Thank you!



Spirit Day Coming Up! The first Spirit Day of the new school year is Friday, Sept. 13th. Students are invited to wear spirit shirts with jeans, or navy blue uniform shorts to school. Jeans must be free from rips, tears, and holes. If girls prefer, they may wear spirit shirts with their plaid jumpers or skirts.

Student Service Hours: The service program for students in Kindergarten through Grade 8 is entitled "Called to Serve". The purpose of this program is to provide students with the opportunity to make a difference in our Church, school, and surrounding communities through various service and support programs. All students from Kindergarten through Eighth Grade are required to give of themselves in service to their Church, school, and community. Realizing service is unlimited and for the Honor and Glory of God, the numbers are an absolute minimum per quarter. They are as follows:

Kindergarten 15 minutes
3rd Grade 3 hours
6th Grade 6 hours

1st Grade 30 minutes
4th Grade 4 hours
7th Grade 7 hours

2nd Grade 2 hours
5th Grade 5 hours
8th Grade 8 hours

All students are required to complete the amount stated each nine weeks. Any student, who does more than the required quarterly minutes in the summertime, may carry over minutes beyond the 1st quarter. Please contact the classroom teachers for examples of age appropriate service opportunities and how your child(ren) should log the minutes of service completed.

Did You Know?? St. Joe, Ost has earned two Diocesan of Excellence Awards. The first was the Award for Excellence in Full Formation and the second was the Award for Excellence in Catholic Identity. We are now going to apply for the Diocesan Award for Excellence in Academics. St. Joe, Ost is very proud of the dedication and hard work that our staff and students have put forth to earn excellent scores on the state assessments but also in their daily work. The application is due October 1st. We will keep you posted.

Stewardship Opportunity! Summer is over! Is your house too quiet? Or, perhaps, you are looking for an opportunity to get out of the house and make a difference? We'd love (and greatly appreciate!) your help in the St. Joseph Crusader Café! **We are in need of volunteers on Thursdays and Fridays and we'll take as much help as you can provide...1 hour or 5 hours!** Feel free to pass this request on to friends or family members who are looking for a volunteer opportunity and have them email Stacy Bauman, sbauman@sjost.com, if they are interested!

Chick-fil-A Spirit Night: Monday, Sept. 16th will be our first Chick-fil-A Spirit Night! This year's proceeds will go towards our Academic fund. This fund covers the cost for class fieldtrips, entry fees for Battle of the Books, Religion Bowl, Scholar's Bowl, etc. Please see attached flyer with all the information. Thank you for supporting this cause!



German Dinner Raffle: Back by popular demand, the basket raffle will return to the German Dinner this year. However, there are a few changes. We only plan to provide five baskets from the school. To accomplish this we are asking each family to donate \$25 or more to this cause. We have a basket raffle committee that will be shopping, purchasing, and arranging the baskets for the day of the event. Our goal is to have all baskets completed before Christmas break. Please send your monetary donations to the school office or use this QR code to make your donation. We are asking that all donations be turned in by November 22, 2024.



Box Tops for Education = free money for our school! Please use the following link to learn how easy it is to scan your receipts and earn money for our school! Any and all help is greatly appreciated!

<https://www.boxtops4education.com/s/get-the-app>

St. Joe Parish Picnic: Everyone is welcome! The picnic will begin after the evening Mass on Saturday, Sept. 7th. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

Vision Screening: Ely Gorges, our volunteer nurse, will be conducting vision screenings on Sept. 16th & 17th.



8th graders using microscopes to look at the cells in a red onion.



Kindergarten Animal Crafts



4th Grade learned about the transfer of energy and used teamwork to build a circuit in order to light a lightbulb.

