



Have a Safe and Happy Summer!!



- ST. JOSEPH OST -
CRUSADERS

May 14, 2026

Crusader Connection Bullets

Note from Mrs. Charles: I want to take this opportunity to thank you for another great year! I also want to take this opportunity to express my deepest appreciation for your constant support and dedication to our school community. I am continuously inspired by the incredible commitment and involvement of our school families. Your tireless efforts have made everything possible, and together we have created a nurturing Christ-centered educational experience for pre-school to 8th grade students. The countless hours you have dedicated to volunteering, fundraising, and participating in school events have not gone unnoticed. Your selflessness and generosity have truly made a difference. I am also immensely grateful for the power of prayer that has been at the core of our community. Your devotion to our beautiful Catholic faith has been a true blessing to witness. Thank you!!

4th Grade Split: With the current 3rd grade class growing and moving to 4th grade, Fr. Bernie and Mrs. Charles made the decision to split this class into two sections. With that being said, we have hired Anna Harter to fill the new 4th grade position. Please read her bio below.



Hi! My name is Anna Harter, and I am excited to be joining St. Joe Ost for the 2026–2027 school year. I have taught in Catholic schools for three years, most recently at Resurrection Catholic School, along with one year in public education. I live in Wichita and am a member of Blessed Sacrament Parish. In my free time, I enjoy spending time with my three adult children, traveling, gardening, and camping. I especially love teaching math and science and helping students discover excitement in learning.

Lost and Found: Our Lost and Found continues to grow. If your child(ren) are missing sweatshirts, pullovers, jackets, water bottles, jewelry, etc. please come and check out the table outside the school office. If items remain after May 15th they will be either added to our used uniforms or taken to Goodwill.



Support Altar Society's Christmas in July Cash Raffle!: The St. Anne's Altar Society of St. Joe, Ost Parish began selling tickets for their Christmas in July Cash Raffle May 1st! The money raised will be used to purchase furnishings and help with church renovations this summer. Your support is greatly appreciated and will be such a benefit to our parish and school community! You can purchase tickets here: <https://2026cashraffle.auctria.events>



Totus Tuus: Below are the dates of the surrounding parishes Totus Tuus dates:

Andale: June 7th-12th

St. Mark's/Colwich: June 14th-19th

Garden Plain: June 28th-July 3rd

St. John Clonmel: July 19th-24th

St. Joe Youth Sports: St. Joe Youth Sports is seeking baseball/softball umpires for the season. If you have a child (age 14 or older) who is interested, please contact Kyle Gorges or Denise Eck.

Chick-fil-A Spirit Night: We raised \$527.22 for our final Chick-fil-A Night for this school year. This year's proceeds have gone towards our Academic fund. This fund covers the cost for class field trips, entry fees for Battle of the Books, Religion Bowl, Scholar's Bowl, etc. Thank you so much for supporting this cause!

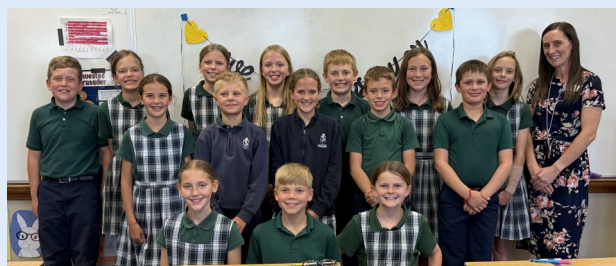
St. Joe, Ost Golf Tournament: Tickets are now on sale for the St. Joe, Ost Golf Classic. It takes place at Cherry Oaks Golf Course and is scheduled for July 25th and 26th. Please see the attached flyer for all the details. Thank you so much for your continued support of St. Joe, Ost Catholic School.

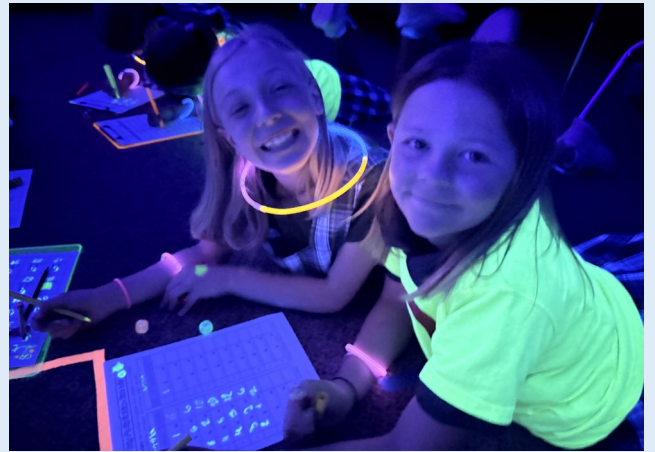


Our middle school students had a great track season.



The 4th graders surprised Mrs. Osborn with a going away party. She is going to be missed!





Mrs. May planned a variety of theme days for the last days of school. Let's learn and "glow" might have been the students favorite theme!!





2nd graders created animals/plants that live in water habitats, such as a pond, river, delta, or tide pool.



The 8th graders getting soaked under the flushers during field day (8th grade tradition).



The 8th graders and their parents participate in a volley ball game during field day (another tradition). The 8th graders beat the parents in two matches.



Field Day 2026 was a HUGE success!! Thank you to Mrs. Clupny for organizing such a great day. A HUGE shout out to Tornado Sno for the yummy snow cones!



Another fun tradition for our 8th graders: ringing the bell on the last day as an 8th grader!!



Our 8th graders celebrated their promotion Mass on Wednesday evening of this week. We wish them well as they enter high school!!