



FALCON NEWS

PRINCIPAL, CLAYTON COBB

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, KATHERINE SUCKLE

Dear St. Joseph Families,
We have now entered the season of Advent. Let us be mindful that the season is a time of preparation. Often, we seem to bypass Advent but it is a time to prepare ourselves for the celebration of the Christ child. This period of time should allow us to reflect on the four gifts of the season- hope, peace, joy, and love. Such gifts are only made known to us through Christ himself.

One way that we can prepare ourselves for the season is to attend special events of prayer and catechesis. One such event coming up this week (Tuesday and Wednesday evenings) is the parish mission at St. Joseph Catholic Church. The parish has invited a dynamic speaker to present for all of us. The mission is scheduled 6pm-9pm so I hope that you can make it.

We often hear about this being a time of giving. While there are many worthy recipients of charitable giving in our community (our families will be donating to the St. Vincent De Paul Society Christmas), I ask that you consider what is presented in the image to the right. Please take the opportunity to prayerfully consider giving to the [St. Joseph Catholic School Annual Fund](#).

The purpose of our annual fund is to fill the financial gap that the cost of tuition does not cover. Many of our local businesses have chosen to support SJS this year by giving to our Partners in Education program. The Annual Fund is different in that our families are given the opportunity to provide a tax-deductible donation for the good of our school.

Every student and faculty member benefits from annual gifts provided to our annual fund. Please consider St. Joseph Catholic School as part of your charitable giving during this important time of the year. Thank you for your regular prayers and support and may God bless the families of our school. St. Joseph, pray for us.



SJS ANNUAL FUND

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Tue, 12/3

5th & 8th Grade Student of the Year Interviews
6th Grade Retreat @ St. Jude in Benton

3:05-4:15 LCP Tutoring in Library
6PM Parish Mission in Church

Wed, 12/4

8:15 School Mass, K3-8th, followed by Christian Witness Awards

6PM Parish Mission in Church

Thu, 12/5

8th Grade Social Studies Fair
3:05-4:15 LCP Tutoring in Library

Fri, 12/6

CANCELLED- St. Nick's Feast and Gumbo Cook-Off

Sat, 12/7

8AM-10:30 Pancakes with Santa in the School Gym

Mon, 12/9

8:15 Feast of Immaculate Conception- Holy Day of Obligation moved from Sunday

IT'S A GREAT TIME TO BE A FALCON!

VIRTUE OF HUMILITY



DEFINITION

Awareness that all our gifts come from God and appreciation for the gifts of others

PRAYER

Dear Jesus, You said, "Learn from Me, for I am meek and humble of heart" (Matthew 11:29). You are God, yet You became little out of love for me. I desire to become little for love of You. Help me to be honest about my strengths and weaknesses.

LOOKS LIKE

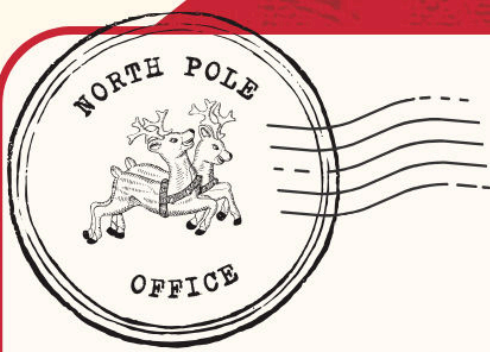
Smiling at your mom after she cooks dinner

SOUNDS LIKE

Thank you, mom, for this delicious dinner.

ST. BERNADETTE SOUBIROUS

When Bernadette was a young girl living in Lourdes, France, she saw a vision of Our Lady. "I am the Immaculate Conception," Mary said to her. Although Bernadette did not know what that meant, she did all that Our Lady asked her to do. A chapel was built, and Lourdes is now a place of pilgrimage and healing for the sick. Bernadette became a nun and did not tell people about the visions. She showed great humility by never seeking fame or recognition, even though Our Lady had chosen her to be God's messenger.



TODAY IS THE DAY!!

LET US COME TOGETHER AS ONE FAMILY
TO SHARE THE SPIRIT OF ST. NICHOLAS.

CHECK YOUR BLOOMZ GROUPS FOR EACH CHILD
AND FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN COME TOGETHER WITH
OTHER FAMILIES TO FULFILL THE WISHLIST.

PLEASE WRAP AND LABEL WITH THE RECIPIENT'S
NAME AND HAVE ITEMS AT SCHOOL BY DECEMBER
18TH

LOVE, THE MINI VINNIES ST. NICK ELVES

JOIN US AT
ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL
FOR

PANCAKES

With Santa



\$10 PER PERSON
INCLUDES SANTA PICTURES
CHILDREN 2 & UNDER FREE

INCLUDES BREAKFAST AND LOTS OF
FUN ACTIVITIES FOR THE KIDS

****CHRISTMAS PAJAMAS ENCOURAGED****

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH, 8AM-10:30AM

RAFFLE TICKETS FOR SJS
TEACHER CAROLING \$5

BREAKFAST INCLUDES:

PANCAKES & SAUSAGE
CHEESE GRITS & FRUIT
MILK, JUICE, WATER,
COFFEE & HOT CHOCOLATE

**ALL ACTIVITIES
AND BREAKFAST
WILL BE HELD IN
THE SJS GYM**



ST. JOSEPH
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

TEACHER TROLLEY

Christmas Caroling

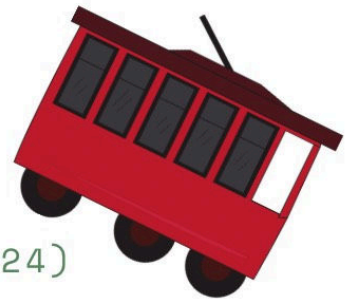


BUY A RAFFLE TICKET

\$5 PER TICKET

FOR A CHANCE TO WIN

ONE OF 2 STOPS!!!!



(2 stops purchased at Soirée 2024)

THE SJS TROLLEY
WILL STOP & SING
AT YOUR HOUSE

DECEMBER 19TH



St. Joseph Christmas Programs

Tuesday, December 17th
in the SJS GYM

K-VILLAGE CHRISTMAS

@ 8:15 AM

1ST-5TH GRADE

@ 9:15 AM

6TH-8TH GRADE

@ 10:15 AM

****ALL GRADES SHOULD WEAR CHRISTMAS ATTIRE****
(JEANS OKAY/NO TACKY CHRISTMAS SWEATERS OR
GRAPHIC TEES)