

FALCON NEWS

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Dear St. Joseph Families,

Thanksgiving. It is an expression of gratitude, especially to God. Often times, we treat prayer as though it is our checkin when things are going tough or when we are dealing with a crisis. We have that right to bring our needs and our concerns to our dear Lord. What parent would not want to comfort children when they are saddened, hurt, or upset? Of course, God wants us to go to Him in the hour of need. Still, to offer praise and gratitude for our blessings is important to do so. The central act of the Catholic faith is the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Most of us are MON, II/I3 aware of that this stems from the Greek word meaning "thanksgiving." How fitting that we celebrate a holiday around a feast of gratitude. How simple it is to draw a connection to the heavenly banquet we recall each time the Mass is celebrated. The first Mass in our country was celebrated in St. Augustine, Florida in 1565 by Spanish missionaries. Something also to consider- the Thanksgiving meal was celebrated by one group of Christians who were able to survive their journey to this new land, thanks to the help of other Christians who saw it fitting to help their fellow man. Do we show the same compassion? Do we desire in our heart to help others in their corporal needs of food, shelter, clothing, etc.? Let us strive, in earnest, to help others have a reason to give thanks. Let us be a Eucharistic people, called to forth and share the Gospel message of love. St. Joseph, pray for us.



UPCOMING EVENTS!

6:30 VARSITY GIRLS @ ST. MARK

TUE, 11/14

4TH GRADE WONKA DAY!

3:05-4PM NEHS MEETING

3:05-4:15 LCP TUTORING IN LIBRARY SPIRIT NIGHT AT RAISING CANE'S!

<u>WED, 11/15</u>

8:15 SCHOOL MASS, K4-8TH

THU, 11/16

3:05-4:15 LCP TUTORING IN LIBRARY

6:30 PTO MEETING IN THE LIBRARY

FRI, 11/17

SPIRIT SHIRT DAY

LAST DAY OF F.AI.T.H. COLLECTION

MON, 11/20- FRI, 11/24

THANKSGIVING BREAK- NO SCHOOL!

Virtue of Honesty

DEFINITION:

TRUTHFULNESS IN ONE'S WORDS AND ACTIONS.

PRAYER FOR HONESTY:

DEAR JESUS, YOU SAID,
"I AM THE TRUTH" (JN 14:6).
YOU HAVE MADE ME FOR
TRUTH, BECAUSE YOU HAVE
MADE ME FOR YOURSELF.
HELP ME TO BE HONEST IN
ALL THAT I SAY AND DO,
THAT I MIGHT KNOW TRUE
HAPPINESS IN YOU.

HONESTY LOOKS LIKE:

SHARING SOMETHING EQUALLY

HONESTY SOUNDS LIKE:

I WAS FAIR.



St. Jose Sanchez del Rio

JOSÉ WAS THE FLAGBEARER
FOR THE CRISTERO
MOVEMENT, WHICH WAS
FIGHTING FOR THE RIGHTS OF
THE CHURCH DURING
PERSECUTIONS IN MEXICO.
AFTER HE WAS CAPTURED,
JOSÉ REFUSED TO BE
DISHONEST AND DENY HIS
FAITH. HE SAID, "I WILL NEVER
GIVE IN. VIVA CRISTO REY!
(LONG LIVE CHRIST THE
KING!)"

FLYERS AIDING THE HUNGRY (F.AI.T.H.)

TOY DRIVE

SJS JOINS LOYOLA TO FILL F.AI.T.H. BASKETS



BRING A NEW AND UNWRAPPED TOY BY NOV. 17TH

IDEAS BELOW - IF EACH STUDENT COULD BRING ONE TOY

- ACTION FIGURES AND TRANSFORMERS
- ART AND CRAFT KITS
- ART, JEWELRY, NAIL AND CRAFT KITS
- BABY DOLLS
- BARBIES (WHITE & AFRICAN AMERICAN)
- BATH PRODUCTS AND TOYS
- BOARD GAMES AND ELECTRONIC GAMES
- INTERACTIVE GAMES
- BUILDING SETS AND LEGOS
- CARD GAMES
- CRAYONS WITH COLORING BOOKS

- JOURNAL SETS
- LITTLEST PET SHOP
- MR. POTATO HEAD
- PLAY-DOUGH KITS
- SILLY PUTTY
- PUZZLES
- SUPER HERO FIGURES
- STUFFED ANIMALS
- TOY TRUCKS
- HOT WHEELS
- BOOKS (FICTION & NONFICTION)

JOIN OUR FUNDRAISER AT RAISING CANE'S!

Mention the fundraiser at the register and Cane's will donate **15%** of sales to:



DATE & TIME:

Tuesday, November 14 (4 PM - 9 PM)

LOCATION:

7241 Youree Drive Shreveport, LA 71105



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

PTO DATE CHANGE

MEETING MOVED TO THURSDAY NOVEMBER 16TH 6:30 LIBRARY





E ARE FUNDRAISING FOR NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIP.

HELP US REACH OUR GOAL OF 30,000!

2023 Family Fundraiser Calendar

HOW THE FUNDRAISER WORKS:

- Each SJS family strives to complete one full calendar (\$465.00).
- · You can accept cash, checks made to SJS, or use the QR code.

COLLECT AND EARN BACK:

- When a family raises a certain level of funds, each child in the family gets that level's prize.
- When a family completes a full calendar, the family gets one entry for the Grand Prize!
- · Yes! A family can fill out more than one calendar, each child will get the level prizes again, and each additional full calendar is one more entry for the Grand Prize.

PRIZE LEVELS:



- Level ONE: raise \$75-\$174 and win a \$10 amazon gift card
- level TWO: raise \$175-\$274 and win a \$20 amazon gift card
- Level THREE: raise \$275-\$374 and win a \$30 amazon gift card
- Level FOUR: raise \$375-\$464 and win a \$40 amazon gift card
- FULL Calendar: raise \$465 or more and win a \$75 amazon gift card and one entry into the Grand Prize

GRAND PRIZE:

• Three families will receive a \$500 amazon gift card; one from KVillage, one from Elementary, and one from Middle School.

HOW CAN EVERYONE WIN???

. When we meet or beat our goal we will have a school wide party with ice cream and popcorn and a blessing of our updated playground!! Hope to see you there!

DATES:

- Envelopes must be turned in November 30th.
- · Live drawing for Grand Prize will be held December 13th.
- Gift cards will be ready for pick up / sent home December 13th.

TIPS:

- Share a digital version of the calendar (find on falcon news and the PTO FB page) on your social media and text/email all of your family and friends.
- · Make a video of your child sharing how excited they are for new items to play on with their school friends.
- Mark the name of the donor on the date on the calendar and keep all of your money in the same envelope.





GOLDEN FALCONS CLUB!

All grandparents of St. Joseph students are invited to become a member of the SJS Grandparent's Club. The "Golden Falcons" provide an opportunity to rekindle old friendships and meet new friends within the community of St. Joseph School.

Scan the QR Code and fill out the form to be a part of the SJS "Golden Falcons" Club. Reminder! All volunteers must take the Protecting God's Children Course in order to volunteer at school.



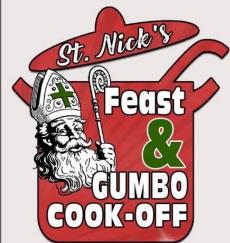
CELEBRATE THE ADVENT SEASON AND PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS

WITH THESE DECEMBER EVENTS

NATIVITY NIGHTS

Friday Nights in December





ST. NICK'S FEAST & GUMBO COOK-OFF Saturday,

December 2





ADVENT MISSION BUTLER

Friday, December 8

LESSONS AND CAROLS

Sunday, December 17