

FALCON NEWS

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Dear St. Joseph Families,

Welcome to 2025! This year almost seems like something that we once heard in sci-fi movies when we were going up with flying cars and in-home robots. We're not exactly there but not far off either! It appears that 2025 is off to a difficult start for some. Let us pray for those who are experiencing tragedy in our own state. Let us keep in prayer those who lost their lives in a recent terrorist attack in New Orleans and for the consolation of their families. Let us also keep in prayer our brothers and sisters at St. John Berchmans School as they grieve the loss of Mrs. Melissa Waters, one of their beloved faculty members. May they all rest in peace.

Maybe while we are in prayer for others, we are reminded of such an important gift that we do have- a school environment that allows us to not only pray but encourages us to do so regularly, fostering a relationship with God Himself. Whether it is a heart full of sorrow, or being mindful of all the many blessings in our lives, maybe 2025 can be a year in which we all return to prayer. Please know that our school community, part of our church parish, offers prayer all of you daily. You can also request prayers for specific intentions through our Falcon Angels led by Ms. Jackie Woods. Please reach out to her if you have such needs via email at: falconangels@sjsfalcons.org

Let us pray for a very successful semester for the students of St. Joseph Catholic School and for this to be a time to grow in faith and virtue. Happy 2025, everyone! St. Joseph, pray for us.



SJS ANNUAL FUND

UPCOMING EVENTS!

<u>TUE, 1/7</u>

3:05-4:15 LCP Tutoring in Library 6PM PTO Meeting in Library

<u>WED, I/8</u>

8:15 School Mass with Christian Witness Awards to follow 3:05 4-H Meeting 6PM Dads Club Meeting @ Petroleum Club

<u>THU, I/9</u> 3:05-4:15 LCP Tutoring in Library 7PM LCP Basketball Future Flyer Night @ LCP Gym

FRI, I/IO SPIRIT SHIRT DAY! I:30 Elementary Academic Awards in Church 2:15 MS Academic Awards in Church 7PM Middle School Dance at St.

John Berchmans

IT'S A GREAT TIME TO BE A FALCON!

VIRTUE OF LOYALTY



DEFINITION

Accepting the bonds implicit in relationships and defending the virtues upheld by Church, family, and country

PRAYER

Dear Jesus, help me to be steadfast in my relationships and faithful to the duties those relationships entail, even when this may be difficult. Amen.

LOOKS LIKE Being faithful to the Catholic Church

ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

Ignatius was a Spanish soldier, eager for fame, pleasure, and worldly glory. In a battle with the French, his knee was severely injured. During his long recovery he read several books, mostly about heroic knights and their adventures. Then he started reading books about the saints. He realized that being holy was a far more exciting adventure than being a soldier. After his recovery, he gave his whole life to Jesus. He founded the Society of Jesus. Many of his priests became great missionaries who always wanted to give glory to Jesus like St. Ignatius taught them.



Later this week, there is a possibility for freezing rain and snow. The dates of concern are Thursday, January 9th and Friday, January 10th. While nothing is set in stone, there is always a concern for school closing. Please know that it is not a personal decision where we want a day off, but one that is made for the safety and well-being of our St. Joseph families.

It is a top priority to communicate with our families as soon as we know something. I realize that Caddo, Bossier, and other school districts may declare closures, but our decision to close comes from the Diocese of Shreveport Office of Catholic Schools.

We promise that if there is a school closure, our families will be contacted via Bloomz, text, and on our PTO page with the information as soon as it provided for us. We will try to make sure communication takes place <u>before 6AM</u> any of these mornings, but again, we must wait until communication is provided to us.

PTO MEETING Tuesday January 7th 5:30pm in SJS Library EVERY PARENT AND TEACHER IS INVITED

Meetings typically last 30 minutes to 1 hour

Come get involved!!

PTO MEETINGS WILL BE THE FIRST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH IN 2025



6PM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8TH JOIN US AT THE PETROLEUM CLUB

FOR

BURGERS AND BREWS

\$25 PER PERSON

INCLUDES A BURGER AND 2 DRINKS (WINE/BEER)



Committee Meeting Friday, January 10th AFTER MORNING CARPOOL at Carpenter Coffee House

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Altar Server Training Saturday, January 11th Saturday, January 25th

Trainings will take place 1:00 - 2:30 PM in the church. Servers are not required to attend both but are welcome to if they would like



ST.JOSEPH CRITHOLIC SCHOOL Spirit Night January 20th Janu

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