



FALCON NEWS

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Dear St. Joseph Families,
Again, welcome to the 75th year of academic excellence in a faith-focused environment at St. Joseph Catholic School. What an exciting time to be a part of our Falcon Family! Whether you are a legacy family, whether your children have attended here for 10 years, or if you are brand new to S.J.S. community, we are happy that you have found a home here.

If you are not familiar, this is our weekly newsletter- The Falcon News. Each week, we will send out information regarding the school, the weekly and monthly happenings, ways to get involved, and things to celebrate. Being our diamond anniversary year, we plan to highlight parts of our school each week, so stay tuned! As you can see, the most pressing activities are located to the right of this page. We will do our best to update information through text alerts, Bloomz, and email.

At the start of each school year, the students are given three challenges on the first day of school. This year, the challenges looked like this:

- Pray for your academic success everyday
- Before the year gets started, stop all unkind behavior
- Choose to make one person's day by telling them by reminding them why they are amazing

Parents and Faculty, it is important that you provide this reminder for your child everyday. In addition, each month, we highlight a virtue and a saint that we should adopt to live out and be like. Our path is one that should lead us to heaven. We cannot get there without living the life to which Christ calls us. Let us have an amazing year and God bless all of our students! St. Joseph, pray for us.



UPCOMING EVENTS!

**WED, 8/12 8:15 BRIDGE-8TH GRADE
FIRST SCHOOL MASS IN THE CHURCH**

**REMINDER! CHURCH DOORS ARE
LOCKED AT THE BEGINNING OF MASS
SO BEE ON TIME**

**FRI, 8/14 SPIRIT SHIRT DAY!
STUDENTS MAY WEAR THEIR SPIRIT
SHIRT WITH UNIFORM BOTTOMS**

**WED, 8/19 9:15 ROOM PARENT
MEETING IN CAFETERIA**

**THU, 8/20 5:30 BACK TO SCHOOL
NIGHT**

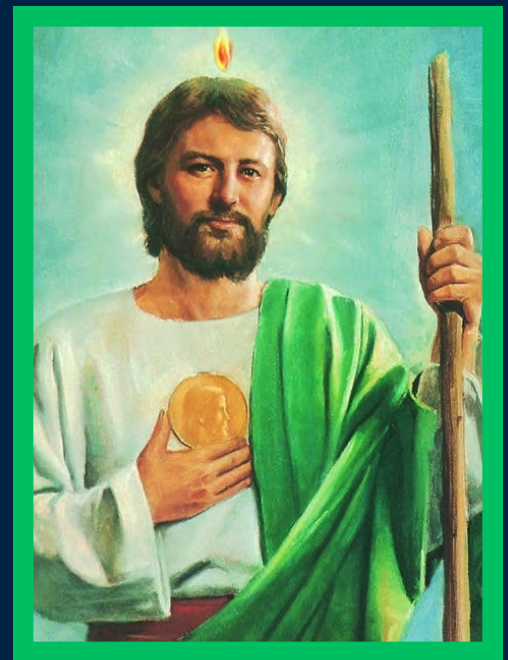
**TUE, 8/25 YEARBOOK PICTURES- IN
SCHOOL UNIFORM**

**TUE, 9/1 5PM P.T.O. MEETING IN
LIBRARY**

SAT, 10/24 1PM-9PM FALCON FEST!

IT'S A GREAT TIME TO BE A FALCON!

VIRTUE OF **HOPE**



ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE

It is believed that St. Jude was a cousin of Jesus and may have been the brother of St. James the Less. He was named by Christ as one of the 12 Apostles. After spreading the Gospel throughout Judea, he continued the mission by going all over Mesopotamia and is known for authoring an Epistle. As the patron of lost causes, he is often attributed to the virtue of hope.

DEFINITION:

Enables one to desire God above all things and to trust him for personal salvation.

PRAYER:

**Lord God,
I hope by Your grace for the pardon of all my sins and after life here to gain eternal happiness, because You have promised it, Who are infinitely powerful, faithful, kind, and merciful. In this hope I intend to live and die. Saint Jude, pray for us. Amen.**



26-27 KEY DATES

AUG 6 6 PM PARENTS' NIGHT OUT @ MARILYN'S PLACE
AUG 7 1 PM-3 PM, NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL ORIENTATION
AUG 7 1 PM-2 PM, K-VILLAGE ORIENTATION
AUG 9 1:30-2:30, ICE CREAM SOCIAL
AUG 10 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR EVERYONE
AUG 12 8:15 FIRST SCHOOL MASS (K5-8TH)
AUG 19 9:15 ROOM PARENT MTG IN CAFETERIA
AUG 20 5:30 PM BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT
AUG 25 YEARBOOK PHOTOS- IN UNIFORM
SEP 1 5 PM FIRST P.T.O. MEETING
SEP 7 LABOR DAY- NO SCHOOL
SEP 9 PROGRESS REPORTS GO HOME
SEP 17 8:15 75TH ANNIVERSARY MASS
SEP 18 2:15 PEP RALLY & PIZZALETTA SALES
OCT 7 LIVING ROSARY AFTER MASS
OCT 8-12 FALL BREAK- NO SCHOOL
OCT 14 REPORT CARDS GO HOME
OCT 16 CLUB/TEAM PHOTOS
OCT 16 HISPANIC HERITAGE PROGRAM
OCT 24 FALCON FEST
OCT 28 ALL SAINTS PARADE
OCT 30 K-VILLAGE CARNIVAL & HALLOWEEN PEP RALLY
NOV 11 8:15 VETERANS DAY MASS WITH RECEPTION
PROGRESS REPORTS GO HOME
NOV 18 STUDENT OF THE YEAR ANNOUNCEMENTS
NOV 23-27 THANKSGIVING BREAK- NO SCHOOL
DEC 5 PANCAKES WITH SANTA
DEC 8 8:15 MASS (OBLIGATORY)
DEC 17 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
DEC 18 POLAR EXPRESS DAY (1/2 DAY)
DEC 21-JAN 4 CHRISTMAS BREAK-NO SCHOOL

JAN 5 RETURN FROM BREAK
JAN 6 REPORT CARDS GO HOME
JAN 8 1ST SEMESTER ACADEMIC AWARDS
JAN 18 MLK JR. HOLIDAY- NO SCHOOL
JAN 23 SOIREE AND SILENT AUCTION!
JAN 24-30 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK!
JAN 28 TALENT SHOW
JAN 29 PEP RALLY
FEB 5 MIDDLE SCHOOL MARDI GRAS BALL
FEB 10 8:15 ASH WEDNESDAY MASS & PROGRESS REPORTS
FEB 12 GRANDPARENTS' DAY (1/2 DAY)
FEB 15 PRESIDENTS' DAY-NO SCHOOL
FEB 16 KREWE OF CARPENTER PARADE
MAR 3 STATIONS OF THE CROSS AFTER MASS
MAR 8-12 SPRING BREAK-NO SCHOOL
MAR 17 8:15 FATHER'S DAY MASS & REPORT CARDS
MAR 25 LIVING STATIONS
MAR 26-29 EASTER BREAK-NO SCHOOL
APR 2 SPRING FAMILY DANCE
APR 7 PROGRESS REPORTS
APR 9 SPRING PICTURES
APR 12-16 TERRA NOVA TESTING WEEK
APR 19-23 STUDENT COUNCIL WEEK
MAY 3-7 TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
MAY 5, 8:15 MAY CROWNING & MOTHER'S DAY MASS
MAY 8 FIELD DAY @ MESSMER (1/2 DAY)
MAY 14 8TH GRADE LAST DAY & PEP RALLY
MAY 15 8TH GRADE TRIP
MAY 18, 10 AM K5 GRADUATION
MAY 18, 6 PM 8TH GRADE GRADUATION
MAY 20 2ND SEMESTER ACADEMIC AWARDS
MAY 21 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL (1/2 DAY)



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

FALCON FEST!

A stylized illustration of a falcon in flight, facing right, with its wings spread wide. The falcon is dark blue with green outlines and details.

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF
FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!



LIVE MUSIC



FOOD



BINGO



GAMES



& MORE!

DATE: **OCTOBER 24, 2026**

BINGO: 1-4 PM FEST: 5-9 PM

LOCATION: ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

SCAN FOR MORE INFO!



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St. Joseph Catholic School, along with other schools in the Diocese of Shreveport, will conform to all regulations and legislation regarding asbestos inspection/abatement/removal, as required by federal and state government agencies. Written documentation is kept at the school office and the Diocesan School Office. Asbestos-containing building materials are located within St. Joseph Catholic School.

St. Joseph Catholic School Non-Discriminatory Policy

The map illustrates the school campus layout and traffic flow. Key features include:

- Streets:** Patton Avenue (left, 15 mph) and Atlantic Avenue (right, 15 mph).
- Buildings:** Frederick Field, McCarthy Field, Providence Hall (5th-8th Grades), Cafeteria Stream IT, St. Joseph Activity Center, Family Life Center, Church, Aquinas and Marion Hall (K3-K4), and Grenillion Hall (K5-4th Grade).
- Parking and Drop-off/Pick-up Zones:**
 - Church Parking:** (If you are parking, please park along the hedges)
 - Teacher Parking:** DO NOT BLOCK SPACES
 - Grades 1-8:** Enter carpool here (top right), drop-off (orange box), and pick-up (orange box).
 - K3-K5:** drop-off and pickup (blue box), and Exit (purple box).
 - 1st-4th grade:** PM pick-up (blue box) and Afternoon Exit for 1st-4th (orange box).
- Signs and Instructions:**
 - Don't Block Sidewalks:** (Red circle with slash)
 - No Right Turn:** (Red octagon)
 - No Left Turn:** (Red octagon)
 - Any student arriving after 8:00 AM will need to be signed in by a parent.** (Yellow box)
 - Any student not picked up by 2:30 will be in After Care.** (Yellow box)
 - If your child is walking home, you must fill out the permission form on the FACTS family portal under Web Forms.** (Yellow box)