
COUGAR TRACKS

Mission: Saint Joseph Catholic School Community is committed to all students to provide spiritual and personal growth, academic excellence, and service to others.

“Share Your Gifts”

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Mass Schedule

Mass next week will be on Tuesday and Thursday with the 5th & 6th grade having mass parts. All parents, grandparents, and parishioners are welcome join us!



Safe Environment

Just a reminder that the dioceses has set a new requirement for parents to complete the Safe Environment Training and background check. All registration and training may be completed online at <https://diojeffcity.org/safe-environment>. Check the steps on the right-hand side of the page to get started. If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Watring. If you have completed this in the past, you do not need to complete it again.

St. Joseph Parish Picnic

The parish picnic will be Saturday, August 27th. The fried chicken and pulled pork dinner will be served from 4:30-8:00. We hope to see everyone there!

Items Needed

Please return forms sent home in last week's folder at your earliest convenience. As a reminder, the school handbook can be found on our website www.stjosephcougars.com and a printed copy can be requested.

Grandparents Day

Grandparent's Day is scheduled for Friday, September 23rd. Included in folders this week is a sign-up a sheet that also includes more information about Grandparents Day. This year we will not be having the book fair during this event like we have in the past. It will be held in the spring.

Honor Roll

This year we have changed the policy for 3rd-8th grade honor roll. In the past years only classes that were held daily were used to calculate honor roll. This year special classed, PE, Art, Music, and Technology, will also be included when determining honor roll. This has been changed in the student handbook.

Student Council

Please have Student Council forms returned by Monday, August 29th.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 8/27-Church Picnic
- 9/2-No School
- 9/5-No School-Labor Day
- 9/7-StuCo Elections
- 9/8-11-Steam Engine Show
- 9/13-Blood Drive
- 9/16-Mid-Quarter
- 9/23-Grandparents Day/Early Out
- 9/26-No Bus Service
- 9/28-Home & School Meeting

Liturgical Role Sign-Up

Included in folders this week is a sign-up sheet for liturgical roles for our weekend Masses. We are updating our list now that we have two Masses a weekend. We encourage everyone to sign up students that are old enough to serve to be on the server list and would love to see some of our older students (7th & 8th grade) to be readers at weekend Masses. Families are welcome to be gift bearers and ushers. Anyone that is interested in being a Eucharistic Minister that has not yet been trained can sign up and be trained by Fr. Smith. We hope to see a lot of new names on our list! A copy of the sheet will also be with the bulletin the next two weekends.

Home & School

St. Joseph's Home and School Association would like to welcome all new families! Our mission is to create in parents a greater awareness of the role they play within our school and help them seek a better understanding and wider support of Catholic education. Support from parents is critical to the education of children. Becoming active in St. Joseph's Home and School is a great way to play a role in your child's education.

Parents whose students are in grades K – 8 are automatically members of Home and School. If you are a pre-school parent and would like to join, please let the officers know by emailing homeandschoolstjoseph@gmail.com. Those with questions about Home and School are welcome to contact any of the officers: Christen Stark, 417.825.2080; Amanda Schuster, 660.888.0824; Ashley Shadwick, 660.621.3350; or Courtney Leonard, 660.621.4613

Meetings will begin at 6:30 pm and will be held in the church basement. Though subject to change, dates for the 2022-2023 Home and School meetings are:

- Sept. 28
- Nov. 30
- Feb. 15
- May 3

We hope to see you there!

Blood Drive

St. Joseph School and the Knight of Columbus will be hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, September 13th from 1:00-6:00pm at the Community Building. The Red Cross will be giving our school a goal of units donated, if we reach that goal, they will be providing a pizza party for the school! Please call 1-800 RED CROSS or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter StJosephPilotGrove to schedule an appointment.

AmazonSmile

The St. Joseph School Foundation can be supported by using AmazonSmile for everyday Amazon purchases. AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to St. Joseph School Foundation. The foundation has been very supportive to St. Joseph School by providing technology grants every year to the school to help cover the cost of our student information system. They also provided the funds to replace the windows in the school and helped with the cost of remodeling the cafeteria floor and the bathrooms in the main school building. To utilize this program, go to smile.amazon.com and choose St. Joseph School Foundation as the charity of your choice.

Manner Monday: Make Eye Contact

- This shows people that you are serious about what you are talking about and want to get your point across and that you are truthful.

Saint of the Month: TBA

