
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.

"Love Like Jesus"

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Mass Schedule

Next week Fr. Smith will be away at the Priest's Institute. We will be saying the rosary on Tuesday and Thursday at 8:05. All parents, grandparents, and parishioners are welcome join us!



Grandparents Day

Many thanks to the students and Mrs. Wirths for the lovely program for Grandparent's Day! It is always an enjoyable day to see the students and their grandparents spending time together. We also would like to thank Ms. Jill, Ms. Donna and their helpers; Yvonne Kammerich, Marilyn Gerling, Sharon Nave, Diane Root, Linda Gerke, and Marjorie Wessing, for the delicious lunch that was served that day!

Field Trips

Mark your calendars for fall field trips! The PK-4th will be going to Jefferson Farm and Gardens on Thursday, October 17th. The 5th-8th will be going to Blind Pony Conservation Area on Friday, October 18th. Permission slips were included in folders last week. Please return them by Friday, October 11th.

Self-Study

This year we will be going through the Self-Study process which is the Non-Public Schools Accreditation procedure. Through this process we will look at 12 different standards and the indicators that go with them. **Each family has been assigned to serve on a standard committee. The first meeting will be on Thursday, October 10th @ 6:30 in the church basement.** Only one family member needs to serve on the standard committee, both are listed and are of course welcome to attend and help. A list of the standard committees and members was included in folders last week. It will not be time consuming for any group, but it is important for everyone to help and do their part. The process is used as a tool to help our school grow in positive ways and acknowledge the good things that are happening!

Testing Week

Next week we will kick off testing week for students in the 1st through 8th grades! The students will test primarily in the morning and will receive a snack mid-morning. Please help your child get a good night's rest and a healthy breakfast. While this is not the only tool we use to assess students, it is a valuable one and also allows us to see how our students rank nationally and compared to the other diocesan schools.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 10/5-School Auction
- 10/7-11-Testing Week 1st-8th
- 10/11-Fall Family Fun Night
- 10/10-Self Study Meeting @ 6:30
- 10/13-All School Mass
- 10/16-School Pictures
- 10/18-End of Quarter/Free Dress
- 10/24-Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 10/25-No School
- 10/31-Trunk or Treat
- 11/1-Balloon Rosary @ 2:15

Home & School Auction

This weekend is our Home & School Dinner and Auction. The meal will begin at 4:30 with the live auction beginning at 7:00. All proceeds from this year's auction will go to our Let the Children Come campaign for the new early childhood addition. This is our tithe free event for the school as well. We hope to see great school family support at this event to help us get closer to our project goal!

Fall Family Fun Night

Our student Council will be hosting a Fall Family Fun Night on Friday, October 11th. We will begin at 6:30 with a weenie roast, followed by a hayride and smore's! We hope your family makes plans to join us!

All School Mass

Our first All School Mass will be on Sunday, October 13th @ 8:30. Student parts are listed below. We will have three other student led Masses this year, so if your child does not have a part this time, they will at another Mass. If your child has a part they will not be able to be there, please let Mrs. Watring know as soon as possible. We will practice at school, but please practice any speaking parts at home as well.

Servers: Dean Martin and Emma Wolfe

Song Leader: Audrey Wolfe

1st Reading: Penny Hoff

Response: Aria Kliethermes

2nd Reading: Owen Rentel

Petitions: Heath Fenical, Eli Shadwick, Alivia Ivy, William Schuster, and Carter Vollrath

Baskets: Collin Kliethermes, Rhett Lorenz, Will Kusgen, and Waylon Imhoff

Offertory: Clara Shadwick, Scarlet Twenter, and Nellie Vollrath

School Pictures

School Pictures will be on Wednesday, October 16th. Order information was sent home last week. To order you can go to inter-state.com/order and use code 86839TT. This is a free dress day for students and staff, but please make sure students are wearing appropriate attire for school pictures.

Advisory Council

The school Advisory Council is looking for three new members for the upcoming school year. Members are asked to serve a three-year term. The goal of this council is to set long term goals for the school, develop school policy, and work with other councils or committees as necessary. Anyone interested can contact a current member; Jennifer Martin, Michelle Wolfe, Billy Inskeep, Bobby Tavenner, or Dustin Schuster, the school office, or Mrs. Watring.

Virtue of the Quarter: Holiness

- Sharing in God's goodness and responding to His love by the way we live

Saint of the Month: St. Katherine Drexel

