



St. Joseph Catholic School

Weekly Newsletter – August 19, 2018

From the Principal's Desk

MISSION STATEMENT

Rooted in Catholic faith, and committed to academic excellence, St. Joseph Catholic School develops personal responsibility, character, service, and leadership.

Thank You for a Wonderful First Week!

Our first week of school went very well, and we are grateful to have everyone back this year.

Just a few reminders and clarifications:

- 7:00 am Before School care begins. Park in the north parking lot and walk your child to before care to sign your child in for the program.
- 7:45 am North gate opens for parents to walk students to classrooms
- 7:35 am Parents in the car line may begin dropping students off at the south gate. Staff will open the car door for your child to exit. Students will wait by the school office.
- 7:45 am Second gate (by the office) will open and students may walk to classrooms. Safety patrol will walk all younger students to class.
- 8:00 am Morning bell rings and students need to be in their classrooms. Any students arriving after the bell will be counted tardy. Please teach your child courtesy and respect, and assist them in being on time each day.
- 8:25 am Hot lunch orders must be submitted for the day.
- 3:00 pm Dismissal – all students must be picked up via the car line. Please make sure your car tag is secured so that it can be read through the front windshield. This will allow us to read the tags quicker to keep the line moving.



If you have a scheduled meeting with a teacher prior to 7:45 am, the teacher will meet you at the south gate for entrance.

Students staying for afterschool classes and programs, will be brought to the north gate following their special activity.

School Pictures Tuesday, August 21



These are the official yearbook pictures with students in their school uniforms.
PreK students wear their navy blue shorts and grey shirts.
K – 8 students wear daily school uniforms
(No PE uniforms, please) If your child is scheduled for PE, Coach Kolbe will be adjusting the activities for the day.

Important Dates

School Picture Day (Uniforms)	August 21	
*Birthday Celebrations (August Birthdays)	August 24	
11:00 am	Grades 5 – 8	
11:45 am	Grades K - 4	
Back to School Night	August 29	6:00 – 8:00 pm
School Mass with Bishop Dewane	August 30	8:00 am St. Joseph Church
Early Dismissal	August 31	11:30 am (Staff Safety Inservice)
No School – Labor Day	September 3	

Please visit our school website to see our complete calendar at www.sjsfl.org.

***August Birthday Celebration:**

If your child has an August birthday, please join your child for lunch on Friday, August 24th in the Parish Center. Parents coming for lunch, must enter through the main doors of the Parish Center to sign in. In order for us to have enough extra tables set up and ready, please use the following link to sign up if you plan to attend:

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0D44A4A72DAAFF2-august

or find the sign up on our school webpage under “Links” and “Volunteer Opportunities” at www.sjsfl.org

Please see attached information regarding these after school classes:

Guitar classes begin September 4th
Irish Dance begins September 6th

ALL HOT LUNCH ORDERS ARE DUE BY MONDAY, AUGUST 20th by 8:00 am
Menus were sent home with all students last week.
(Please see attached)

We Will Miss Fr. Lawton



Thank you to everyone who attended the farewell reception for Fr. Lawton on Sunday. Last week, he stopped by all of the classrooms to tell our students good-bye, as he prepares for his new assignment as Parochial Vicar of St. Katharine Drexel Parish, Cape Coral.

Odyssey of the Mind Information Meeting
for Students in Grades 6 – 8
(Information was sent last week from Dr. Pardo)
Monday, August 20 at 3:00 pm
Room 722



Dr. Pardo has agreed to coach our middle school students again this year. Any parents interested in assisting, please contact the school office. Any parent interested in coaching for grades K – 2 or 3 – 5, please contact Ms. Suddarth at dsuddarth@sjsfl.org

Odyssey of the Mind, is a creative problem-solving program involving students from kindergarten through college. Team members work together at length to solve a predefined long-term problem and present their solution to the problem at a competition. They must also participate in the spontaneous portion of the competition by generating solutions to a problem they have not seen before. While the long-term problem solution often takes many months to complete and involves various elements of theatrical performance, construction and design, the spontaneous portion occurs the day of the competition. Last year we had two middle school teams advance to the state competition.

After School Activities
August 20 - 24

Monday:

- 3:00 pm Odyssey of the Mind Information Meeting (students may still play Flag Football and attend the Tuesday and Thursday practices and games)
- 3:00 – 3:45 pm Choir Practice (Grades 2 – 8)
- 3:00 – 3:45 pm Jr. Legion of Mary – Meet by the School Office to go to the Parish Center
- 3:45 – 4:15 pm Saturday Choir (Sings once per month at Saturday evening Mass at SJC)
- 3:00 – 4:45 pm Flag Football Practice
- 3:00 – 4:00 pm Cross Country Practice Cross country practice for grades 4-8.
Students will come to the locker rooms after school and change into shorts, t-shirt, and tennis shoes. They will meet with Mrs. Hogue and Mr. Powers for practice. Anyone who is not picked up at 4:00 pm will be sent to after care.

Tuesday:

- 3:00 – 4:45 pm Volleyball Practice
- 3:00 – 4:45 pm Flag Football Practice
- 4:00 – 5:00 pm Tennis Pro Academy (GT Bray Tennis Courts) – Grades PK - 8

Wednesday:

- 3:00 – 4:00 pm Cross country practice (same as Monday)

Thursday:

- 3:00 – 4:45 pm Volleyball Practice
- 3:00 – 4:45 pm Flag Football Practice
- 4:00 – 5:00 pm Tennis Pro Academy (GT Bray Tennis Courts) – Grades PK - 8

Friday: Nothing have a great weekend!

Just a quick note. We do not have a bus driver this year so we will need to car pool. Please make sure that you can find a ride to the different games on the schedules.

Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Sale Kick Off

Last year we had a cookie sale and many of our parents have asked if we could sell these items again. The students loved the fun of the competition, and the food items were quality items that have been requested by many who purchased last year.

We plan to kick-off our cookie sale on Friday, August 24th. Please watch for information flyers and sales information that will be sent home with our students.

This year, the proceeds will be used to fund our school enrichment programs.

St. Joseph Catholic School Hot
Lunch Order
August 20 – August 24
(One order per student)

Student: _____

Homeroom: _____

Grade: _____

<u>Monday 8/20</u>	_____	Chicken Dippers Garlic Breadsticks Baked Beans Cherry Tomatoes with Dip Juice Chocolate Milk or White Milk (Circle One)	\$3.50
<u>Tuesday, 8/21</u>	_____	Corn Dogs Honey Glazed Carrots Mini Romaine Salad Peach Cup Juice Chocolate Milk or White Milk (Circle One)	\$3.50
<u>Wednesday, 8/22</u>	___	Southern Chicken Mini Pancakes Carrots with Dip Sweet Potato Fries Fresh Veggie Cup with Dip Mixed Fruit Juice Chocolate Milk or White Milk (Circle One)	\$3.50
<u>Thursday, 8/23</u>	_____	Hamburger Mashed Potatoes Cucumbers with Dip Warm Cinnamon Apples Juice Chocolate Milk or White Milk (Circle One)	<u>\$3.50</u>
<u>Thursday, 8/24</u>	_____	Pizza Corn Cherry Tomatoes with Dip Sidekicks (Frozen Fruit Dessert) Juice Chocolate Milk or White Milk (Circle One)	\$3.50

TOTAL _____ (Charge to FACTS)

Parent Signature: _____

Miss Fiona Irish Dance

Starting September 6, 2018

\$10 per class

Thursday

3:00 to 3:45 pm

Please bring a water bottle to class. Snack will be provided.



Please return form with information to school office:

Child's name: _____

Grade: _____ Teacher: _____

Parents name and phone #: _____

O'Reilly School of Dance

9415657250

pencorcbo@yahoo.com

St. Joseph School: After School Guitar Class 2018-2019
Student Information Form

Please Print

Student Name: _____

Homeroom Teacher: _____ Grade: _____

Mother: _____ Phone: (H) _____
(C) _____

Father: _____ Phone: (H) _____
(C) _____

Additional Emergency Contact:

_____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Students who are not picked up by 4:15 p.m. will be sent to the St. Joseph School After Program.

Individuals Authorized to Pick Up Your Child:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Please return this form in your child's notebook by his/her next Guitar Class.

Guitar Instructor: Jim Corbett Home - 941-792-6722 Cel - 941-504-4829

jimgcorbett@gmail.com

Dear Parents and Guitar Students,

updated: 8/16/18

I **will** continue to teach three days of after school guitar classes, this year.

NOTE: ALL STUDENTS ENROLLED IN BOTH GUITAR CLASSES LAST YEAR WILL HAVE PRIORITY ENROLLMENT IN THIS YEARS GUITAR CLASSES. NEW STUDENTS WILL BE ADDED BASED UPON AVAILABLE SPACE.

NOTE: Intermediate classes will change back to Tuesdays and Thursdays. Beginning Guitar classes will continue on Wednesdays.

- 1.) Students who attended **last** year's intermediate guitar classes are all encouraged to attend these classes this year.
 - 2.) Students, who attended last year's Beginning Guitar class, need to continue attending classes. Students may be able to advance to the intermediate classes, once I have had the opportunity to assess their overall progress.
 - 3.) This year I am accepting new students from first to eighth grade into the Beginning Guitar class.
 - 4.) **Important Note to Parents:** All students must be picked up promptly by 4:15 pm at the black gate located at the back, north corner of the church choir room, near the boys' restroom. Those students not picked up by 4:15 pm will be sent to St. Joseph's After Care.
- ***Snacks:** Students may bring a quick snack to eat from 3:00-3:15 on the bench outside the church choir room before class starts.

Requirements/Materials for Guitar Class

- A) All students must supply their own guitars, straps, guitar cases, and music books (as indicated below).
- B) **Beginning Guitar Students:** I have purchased two sample guitars (BLUE & PINK) with a case, tuner, strap and extra nylon strings online from Amazon that will work well for most beginning guitar students. Parents can purchase them from me at my cost (first come, first served), once all the parents have had a chance to see the sample guitars. Cost: \$54.99 for the pink and \$51.99 for the blue, plus tax. If you decide to order your own, go to amazon.com and order ADM Beginner Classical Guitar 30 inch Nylon Strings Bundle with Carrying Bag & Accessories. The guitars come in black or wood tone, as well. I have PRIME shipping and can order the guitars for you to help save the shipping cost, if you do not have PRIME. Also, you will need to purchase the *Hal Leonard Guitar Method Book 1; Book/CD Pack 2nd Edition*, ISBN-13: 9780793533923 (also available online at amazon.com). The cost is \$12.99, plus tax and shipping. Prices may vary.
Note: If you have a small guitar with steel strings, I have had to change the steel guitar strings to nylon strings for most students, as the steel strings are hard on a student's fingers. The cost for new nylon strings is approx. \$10.00.
- C) **Older students** need to purchase larger $\frac{3}{4}$ size guitars, straps, and guitar cases. If you need assistance in finding $\frac{3}{4}$ guitars, please contact me and I will assist you in finding them.
- D) **All intermediate students** need to purchase: *The Complete Edition* (Books 1,2,3 bound together in one easy-to-use volume) of *The Hal Leonard Guitar Method* book with - "online access to 164 full-band tracks for demonstration or play along songs". (ISBN 9780634047015, PLASTIC COMB BINDER). Books are available online at *amazon.com*.
- E) **All students** need to supply a 1", three-ringed binder (any color) to keep at home. I will send home the classwork music pages for them to insert in their binders for practicing at home.
- F) **All students need to bring their guitars to every class and take them home after class in order to practice and to study.**

It was a privilege to teach all of my guitar students, last year. I am looking forward to working with students in my after school classes, this year, as well. If your child is interested in signing up for after school Guitar Classes (as indicated in the schedule above), please contact the school office or call Jim Corbett at the numbers listed below no later than Wednesday, 8/22/18.

Classes will begin: Intermediate Guitar Class: Tuesday, 9/04/18 (This class is Tuesdays and Thursdays.)

Beginning Guitar Class: Wednesday, 9/05/18

CONTACT: Jim Corbett jimgcorbett@gmail.com Home 941-792-6722 Cell: 941-504-4829