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MONTHLY MESSENGER

April 2024



Knightly News from the Principal

Dear Parents,

As we move into the Triduum, the central days of the year for our faith, I would like to highlight some things that are happening in our school. We hope to break ground this June on our outdoor classroom. If working outside is in your wheelhouse, you might want to consider putting some time in as that project gets underway. SFA will be broadcasting this opportunity as it nears. We will also be getting a new scoreboard for our gym. This will be a big improvement for our Junior High Catholic League games and matches, to be sure. Hopefully, as playground repairs are made, and the great work that I understand the gardening ministry is planning for our campus gets underway, our grounds and facility will be shining brightly into the summer months.

Lastly, if you are considering attending the Jen Fulwiler comedian event that our SFA is sponsoring in April, I would encourage you to do so. A chance for our faith community to laugh together is a treat and a special opportunity. May our Lord be with you in a special way as we enter into His passion and death, and glory in His resurrection power during the Easter Season. I am as always,

Yours in Christ,

Kevin Naumann, Principal

Kindergarten 2024-2025

Dear Parents,

As of today, we sit at the **44 of 45** mark for Kindergarten registrations that would enable us to hire a third teacher. As a reminder, we need to reach this point by **April 15**. After that date, we will cap registration in Kindergarten at 46, so that the two classrooms do not exceed 23 each, in number. I'll continue to keep you updated on this metric as I know many are interested and hopeful that we may be able to have three sections going into the fall of 2024-'25. ***We encourage any families who have not done so to register soon!***



April 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 EASTER BREAK	2 EASTER BREAK	3 School Resumes Students may wear uniform shorts Day 3	4 7A Class Mass Day 4	5 Melodic Knights Mass Mission Collection Easter Classroom Parties, 2:30 pm Day 5	6
7	8 7B Class Mass Student Confessions Eclipse Viewing Day 1	9 Day 2	10 Day 3	11 7C Class Mass Day 4	12 1:00 pm Dismissal (Faculty Meeting)	13
14	15 Day 1	16 BIST Consultant Visit Day 2	17 Youth Choir Mass Day 3	18 Service Awards after Mass Day 4	19 Melodic Knights Mass First Communion Retreat Day 5	20
21	22 Day 1	23 Day 2	24 Day 3	25 6A Class Mass Day 4	26 Day 5	27
28	29 6B Class Mass Monthly School Rosary, 2:50 pm Day 1	30 Day 2				

**IF YOU ARE
 WHAT YOU
 should be,
 YOU WILL SET
 the whole world
 ON FIRE!**
 —St. Catherine of Siena

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 NO SCHOOL Easter Break	2 NO SCHOOL Easter Break	3 Meal-In-A-Bowl Popcorn Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Corn & Roll Fruit Choice Milk	4 Hot Dog on WG Bun Fries Fruit Choice Milk	5 Cheese Pizza Green Beans Oreo Fluff Fruit Choice Milk
8 Breakfast for Lunch! French Toast Sticks Sausage Links, Tri-Tater Fruit Choice Milk	9 Walking Tacos Corn Fruit Choice Milk	10 Meat & Cheese Calzone Mixed Veggies Cookie Fruit Choice Milk	11 Orange Chicken Brown Rice Broccoli Fruit Choice Milk	12 1:00 DISMISSAL Cheese Stuffed Breadsticks Marinara Sauce Peas Fruit Choice Milk
15 Beef Soft Taco Corn Fruit Choice Milk	16 Egg, Sausage & Cheese Biscuit Sandwich Tri-Tater, Scooby Snacks Fruit Choice Milk	17 Breaded Chicken Patty WG Bun, Baked Beans Fruit Choice Milk	18 Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Peas, Garlic Breadstick Fruit Choice Milk	19 Mac & Cheese Broccoli, Fruit Snack Fruit Choice Milk
22 Chicken Tenders Baked Beans, Roll Fruit Choice Milk	23 BBQ Pulled Pork Nachos Corn Fruit Choice Milk	24 Fiesta Pizza Green Beans Fruit Choice Milk	25 Cheeseburger WG Bun, Baked Beans Chips Fruit Choice Milk	26 Cheesy Pull-Apart Bread Marinara Sauce Mixed Veggies Ice Cream Sandwich Fruit Choice Milk
29 Pepperoni Pizza Green Beans Fruit Choice Milk	30 Chicken Nachos Corn, Churro Fruit Choice Milk			

*Student lunch \$3.25
*Adult lunch \$4.60

*Milk \$0.40
*Second entrée or sandwich \$1.25

*Turkey or ham sandwich as a choice Monday through Thursday
*Peanut butter sandwich as a choice Monday through Friday

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Spring Semester 2024 Liturgy Singing Schedule – April

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 – NO SCHOOL (Monday within Octave of Easter)	2 – NO SCHOOL (Tuesday within Octave of Easter)	3 – Wednesday within Octave of Easter (S) StuCo Class Mass	4 – Thursday within Octave of Easter (S) 7A Class Mass	5 – Friday within Octave of Easter (S) Mission Collection Melodic Knights
8 – Annunciation of the Lord (S) 7B Class Mass	9 – Easter Weekday *Quiet Mass*	10 – Easter Weekday 3A	11 – St. Stanislaus (M) 7C Class Mass	12 – Easter Weekday 3B
15 – Easter Weekday 2A	16 – Easter Weekday 6B	17 – Easter Weekday Youth Choir	18 – Easter Weekday *Quiet Mass*	19 – Easter Weekday Melodic Knights
22 – Easter Weekday 6A	23 – St. George (m) 6B	24 – St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen (m) *Quiet Mass*	25 – St. Mark (F) 6A Class Mass	26 – Easter Weekday 5A
29 – St. Catherine of Siena (M) 6B Class Mass	30 – St. Pius V (m) *Quiet Mass*			

2024-2025 Registration Open!

Saint Joseph's online enrollment is now open for grades K-8!! Online Registration is like last year: you **MUST** have a Parent Portal Account in order to enroll your child(ren) for next year.

****We are changing how we distribute our important documents: Tuition Agreement and ACH, Emergency Contact Form (for 24-25), and the Computer Acceptable Use Policy (for 24-25). Once your online registration has been done for your WHOLE family you will then receive your copies of the important documents mentioned previously.** Tuition Agreements and Emergency Contact Forms will be prepopulated with the information we have on file. It is up to you to make the necessary changes on those forms so we have information that is as accurate as possible. We will use PowerSchool and these forms to make sure our School Directory and class distribution lists for teachers for next year are accurate. These forms will be distributed once a week to the families who have finished their registration process for the whole family.

This year it is VERY important to register your child(ren) online. Without registering your child(ren) you will not receive the important documents for the 2024-25 school year. Without registering online, and returning the completed important documents, your family will not be on our posted class lists this August. Please make sure to register your family online as soon as you can to help with a smooth transition into summer.

**Online Registration is due by April 29th.
Tuition Agreements are due by May 20th.**

For returning student enrollment instructions click [HERE](#).

For access to your Parent Portal Account follow the link provided [HERE](#).

If you have an incoming kindergartner, who is not currently a preschooler here, please fill out the Pre-Enrollment form [HERE](#).

If you have any questions please contact Emily Klein, Emily-Klein@cd.

Lunch and Recess VOLUNTEERS

Solar Eclipse, April 8

As you may be aware, there will be a significant solar eclipse (not total) in our area on **Monday, April 8**. In preparation for this event, we wanted to make sure all the children had proper eye protection. We are therefore purchasing solar eclipse glasses in bulk for all the staff and students in grades K-8. We would be grateful if you could send \$1/child to help cover this cost. This will be collected by your child's teacher.



Congratulations to our students who won first place in their divisions of the Catholic Daughters of America Education Contest! Greta received first place in art and Andrew(not pictured) received first place in poetry.

NOTES FROM THE NURSE:

*****REMINDER:** Dental screenings will take place April 5th. Please continue to turn in a dental form for your student(s). These can also be e-mailed to christina-wahlmeier@cd or faxed to 402.489.3260.

PRE-K PARENTS & 6th GRADE PARENTS: students entering Kindergarten and 7th grade are required to have a physical exam completed within 6 months of the first day of school as well as an up to date immunization record on file. A copy of the physical and immunization record is due in the school office by the first day of school.

7th GRADE PARENTS: students entering 8th grade that are planning to participate in school organized sports are required to have a sports physical on file. These may be completed after May 1st for the upcoming school year.

MEDICAL FORMS: can be found on the school website located under the Forms tab for the 2024-2025 school year. Non-prescription medication authorizations can also be filled out on PowerSchool.

Please reach out if you have any questions regarding health requirements. Thank you for your cooperation!

Prolife Presentation Parent Info

We are excited to have *Heart of a Child Ministries* share their *Celebration of Life* presentation with our students on **Tuesday April 9th**, including a LIVE ULTRASOUND of a pregnant mother! See this LINK for more information and the schedule of times if you would like to attend when your child participates. We will also be hosting a “baby shower” that week to collect helpful items for prolife organizations in Lincoln.

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH'S
**EASTER EGG
HUNT!**

**The Easter Bunny is visiting Saint Joseph's
on Holy Saturday- March 30th!**

**There will be an activity to take home to practice the
liturgical waiting of Holy Saturday as well!**

9 AM

**Light breakfast and craft
in the cafeteria**

10 AM

**The Hunt begins in the Saint Joseph
South East Field**

RSVP using the QR code! →



Children from 1 year up to 11 years old are welcome!

This is a free event!

Brought to you by the Knights of Columbus and Youth Ministry Torch Team!

St. Joseph Catholic School has been seeking faith-filled, dynamic individuals to fill recent openings below:

Resource Teacher

St. Joseph Catholic School in Lincoln is seeking a faith-filled, dynamic **Special Education Resource Teacher for the 2024-2025 school year**. Candidates must have a current Nebraska teaching certificate with appropriate endorsements. Responsibilities include maximizing the learning experience of 6th-8th grade students with needs in academics, interpersonal skills, behaviors, and/or activities of daily living. Strong skills in communication, collaboration, and relationship-building are essential, and the position involves furthering the mission of St. Joseph Catholic School by contributing to a positive Catholic learning environment. Start date August 2024. Salary based on educational background and experience. Please send resume, references from educational supervisors, philosophy of education and explanation of why you would like to teach in a Catholic school to kevin-naumann@cdolinc..


Para Position

This position involves working well with children in small and large groups, carrying out tasks for teachers, recess/lunch duties and production (working knowledge of computers and office equipment). Confidentiality, flexibility, and strong skills in communication, collaboration and relationship-building are essential. The position involves furthering the mission of St. Joseph Catholic School by contributing to a positive Catholic learning environment. Start date August 2024. Please send resume and references from supervisors to kevin-naumann@.

Opportunity Scholarships of Nebraska

Do you have a child entering Kindergarten or 9th grade in a Catholic school? If so, your family is eligible to apply for a tuition scholarship from the recently legislated Opportunity Scholarships Act! For more information, click [HERE](#) to see if your family would qualify. Put scholarship money to work for your child's Catholic education!

ST. JOSEPH SFA PRESENTS



JEN FULWILER
MATERNAL INSTINCT
FRIDAY, 4/26


Discover the world of Catholic comedy, a genre rooted in rich traditions and relatable humor. Headliner Jen Fulwiler, a renowned Catholic comedian, brings a fresh perspective to Catholicism through laughter. Bishop Conley highly recommends her, praising her quick wit and relatable anecdotes that connect with National audiences.

Meet Father Jake Martin, a Catholic priest and stand-up comedian who blends humor and spirituality to offer a unique take on faith and life. Through his relatable narrative, he fosters unity and understanding through laughter, understanding the lighter side of spirituality.

Your ticket purchase also supports a great cause! A significant portion of sales benefits our School Family Association, directly contributing to our school community's growth and well-being. Your participation is an investment in our school's success. Thank you for your support!

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TICKET PRE-SALE
FROM 10:00 AM 1/27/24 - 9:00 AM 2/5/24
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AT WWW.ROCOCOTHEATRE.COM




YOU ARE INVITED TO:

Father - Daughter Day

SPONSORED BY THE SERRA CLUB OF LINCOLN WITH THE SCHOOL SISTERS OF CHRIST THE KING

APRIL 27, 1:15-4:15

Dads and Girls (2nd-5th grade)

The afternoon includes:

- Games
- Faith Formation
- Time with the Sisters

Villa Regina
Motherhouse
4100 SW 56th St.
Lincoln, NE

RSVP:

fatherdaughterlincoln@gmail.com



School Sisters of Christ the King

Pro-Abortion Ballot Initiative

WHERE DOES IT SAY THAT

in the Pro-Abortion Ballot Proposal?



THIS CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT...

REMOVES PARENTAL RIGHTS

By using all "persons" instead of "women," any girl under the age of 18 could have an abortion without her parent's consent or knowledge.

LEAVES "HEALTH" UNDEFINED

Court cases define "health" exceptions to include emotional, psychological, and familial well-being.

THREATENS ALL HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATIONS

The amendment risks eliminating 50 years of common-sense protections for women and girls against unsafe abortion practices. After passing a similar constitutional amendment, Michigan quickly repealed informed consent laws, and state licensing and inspection requirements for abortion facilities.

GIVES ABORTIONISTS THE SOLE DISCRETION TO DECIDE VIABILITY

Women seeking an abortion don't see their OB/GYN or family doctor. They go to abortion practitioners. This ballot initiative gives power to abortion practitioners, who may not even be licensed doctors, to decide whether a baby is "viable."

CREATES A RIGHT TO LATE-PREGNANCY ABORTION

Babies born as late as 32-36 weeks need machines to help them breathe. This is an "extraordinary medical measure" necessary for their life outside the womb. Under the ballot proposal language, these babies are not "viable" and may be aborted.

ARTICLE I, SECTION 31

OF THE NEBRASKA STATE CONSTITUTION SHALL BE AMENDED TO READ...

"All persons shall have a fundamental right to abortion until fetal viability, or when needed to protect the life or health of the pregnant patient, without interference from the state or its political subdivisions.

Fetal viability means the point in pregnancy when, in the professional judgment of the patient's treating health care practitioner, there is a significant likelihood of the fetus' sustained survival outside the uterus without the application of extraordinary medical measures."



CONFIRMATION 2024





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