

# ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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## MONTHLY MESSENGER

April 2025

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### Knighly News from the Principal

Dear Parents,

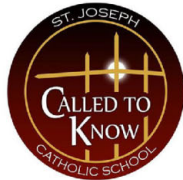
As we are midway through Lent, we were able to celebrate a belated St. Joseph's Feast Day on the Feast of the Annunciation. I think the students enjoyed the carnival and other activities that were interspersed throughout the day. We were able to raise almost three thousand dollars for the Missions, and I want to give a special thank you to Sr. Marie Jaqueline for all of her work organizing that endeavor, along with the food drive. I am also especially grateful for the work of our student council and mission club in making the event a success.

Now we are back to sacrifice, service and almsgiving for a few more weeks. I






appreciate all that you parents donated and sacrificed in making our celebration a special one. It certainly goes to show that even in the midst of a beautiful penitential season, gratitude for God's blessings is still a part of it, intermingled as His will decides. May you have a most blessed Lent and a very profound Holy Week experience this spring.

Yours in Christ,  
Kevin L. Naumann, principal



## April 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> Students may wear uniform shorts  <b>Day 2</b>	<b>2</b>   <b>Day 3</b>	<b>3</b>   <b>Day 4</b>	<b>4</b> Mission Collection Stations of the Cross, 2:50 pm  <b>Day 5</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>   <b>Day 1</b>	<b>8</b> BIST Consultant Visit 7th Gr Field Trip  <b>Day 2</b>	<b>9</b> 4th Gr Field Trip 8th Gr Retreat  <b>Day 3</b>	<b>10</b> Melodic Knights Mass   <b>Day 4</b>	<b>11</b> 1:00 pm Dismissal (Faculty Meeting)   <b>Day 5</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> Palm Sunday	<b>14</b>   <b>Day 1</b>	<b>15</b> Youth Choir Mass   <b>Day 2</b>	<b>16</b> 4th Grade Living Stations, 2:30 pm   <b>Day 3</b>	<b>17</b> Holy Thursday  <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Easter Break	<b>18</b> Good Friday  <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Easter Break	<b>19</b> Holy Saturday
<b>20</b> Happy Easter! 	<b>21</b>  <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Easter Break	<b>22</b>  <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Easter Break	<b>23</b> 7C Class Mass School Resumes  <b>Day 3</b>	<b>24</b> Student Council Mass Service Awards after Mass Monthly Rosary, 2:50 pm  <b>Day 4</b>	<b>25</b> First Communion Retreat Easter Classroom Parties, 2:30 pm  <b>Day 5</b>	<b>26</b> First Holy Communion, 10:00 am
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>   <b>Day 1</b>	<b>29</b> Mission Club Mass   <b>Day 2</b>	<b>30</b> Melodic Knights Mass Kinder Field Trip  <b>Day 3</b>			

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Beef Soft Taco Com, Churro Fruit Choice Milk	2 Hot Dog on WG Bun Baked Beans Fruit Choice Milk	3 Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Garlic Breadstick, Peas Fruit Choice Milk	4 Cheese Pizza Broccoli, Scooby Snack Fruit Choice Milk
7 Fiesta Pizza Green Beans Fruit Choice Milk	8 Breaded Chicken Patty WG Bun, Fries Baked Beans Fruit Choice Milk	9 Beef Nachos Com Fruit Choice Milk	10 Chicken Tenders Fries, Roll Fruit Choice Milk	11 <b>1:00 DISMISSAL</b> Garlic Cheesy Bread Marinara Sauce, Broccoli Fruit Choice Milk
14 Chicken Soft Taco Com, Churro Fruit Choice Milk	15 Breakfast for Lunch! French Toast Sticks Sausage Links, Tri-Tater Fruit Choice Milk	16 Pepperoni Pizza Green Beans Fruit Choice Milk	17 <b>NO SCHOOL</b> (Easter Break)	18 <b>NO SCHOOL</b> (Easter Break)
21 <b>NO SCHOOL</b> (Easter Break)	22 <b>NO SCHOOL</b> (Easter Break)	23 Meal-in-a-Bowl Popcorn Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Com & Roll Fruit Choice Milk	24 BBQ Pork Nachos Green Beans Fruit Choice Milk	25 French Toast Sticks Cheese Omelet Tri-Tater Fruit Choice Milk
28 Mini Com Dogs Baked Beans, Cookie Fruit Choice Milk	29 Walking Tacos Com, Fruit Choice Milk	30 Breaded Chicken Patty WG Bun, Fries Fruit Choice Milk		

\*Student lunch \$3.50  
\*Adult lunch \$4.60

\*Milk \$0.60  
\*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  
\*Pre-made salad offered as entrée choice daily

# April 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Lenten Weekday  2A	2 Francis of Paola (c)  2B	3 Lenten Weekday  Quiet Mass	4 St. Isidore (c) *Mission Collection* 6A
7 St. John Baptist de la Salle (c)  6B	8 Lenten Weekday  Quiet Mass	9 Lenten Weekday  5A	10 Lenten Weekday  Melodic Knights	11 St. Stanislaus (c)  5B
14 Monday of Holy Week  4A	15 Tuesday of Holy Week  Youth Choir	16 Wednesday of Holy Week  Quiet Mass	17 NO SCHOOL Holy Thursday	18 NO SCHOOL Good Friday
21 NO SCHOOL Monday within the Octave of Easter	22 NO SCHOOL Tuesday within the Octave of Easter	23 Wednesday within the Octave of Easter (S)  7C Class Mass	24 Thursday within the Octave of Easter (S)  Student Council Class Mass	25 Friday within the Octave of Easter (S)  4B
28 St. Peter Chanel (m)  Quiet Mass	29 St. Catherine of Siena (M)  Mission Club Class Mass	30 St. Pius V (m)  Melodic Knights		

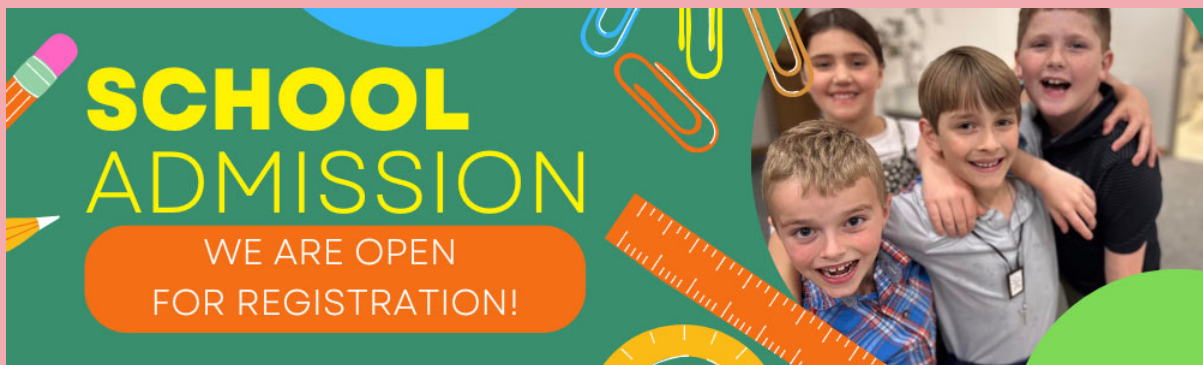
**BIST Tip:**  
**“It’s never  
 okay to be  
 disruptive.”**

Being disruptive means you are interfering with learning or being hurtful. A key to a positive learning environment is that students are not disrupting their own learning or that of others. It’s true that “kids will be kids.” That means that they will sometimes be talking when they shouldn’t, mess around with things without thinking or sometimes lash out at others. We understand that. At the same time, we talk with students about what disruption looks like in the classroom – and sometimes act it out – to help them realize how it is not okay. By referring to the Bottom Line when a disruption happens, all children know the expectation and find an easier time following it. This avoids simply “nagging” about negative behavior. What would be your “Bottom Line” at home? Maybe brainstorm with your children what phrase you would use for it and then refer to that terminology when it actually happens. This empowers your children to be

part of the solution and to take ownership for a positive environment at home, too!

## New School Uniform Vendor!

We are pleased to announce that in the upcoming year St. Joseph School has partnered with School Belles as our primary uniform supplier. School Belles is able to replicate our current plaid for the girls jumpers and uniforms. The skirt style is almost identical with our current skirts from Dennis Uniform and the jumper is very similar (primary difference is rounded neck instead of v-neck). Finding comparable jumpers/skirts in our plaid pattern was a challenge and we are very grateful for the moms who helped us research different options for uniform companies. Please know that we are still maintaining our status of a non-exclusive contract with School Belles and are not changing other dress code items at this time. Therefore, any used uniforms are still welcome, as well as pants, shorts and shirts from other vendors. It is only if you need to order new skirts or jumpers that you will need to use School Belles. You can check out their options at this [LINK](#) or look at their [FLYER](#) for more information. Feel free to email [sr.mary-angela@cdolinc](mailto:sr.mary-angela@cdolinc) if you have any questions.



We are excited to announce that Saint Joseph's online enrollment is now open for Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade!! 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 25-26), and the Computer Acceptable Use Policy (for 25-26). 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 2025-26 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 18th.  
Tuition Agreements are due by May 16th.**

**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](mailto:Emily-Klein@cd).**

## **VOLUNTEER INFORMATION**



# ANNOUNCEMENT: SAFE ENVIRONMENT RENEWAL TRAINING

The annual recertification process for safe environment compliance is changing in January of 2025

Beginning January 1, 2025, all clergy, religious, employees, and volunteers who work with minors will be required to renew their training during the month of January.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR EFFORTS TO  
CONTINUE PROTECTING ALL OF GOD'S  
PRECIOUS CHILDREN!**

SOUTHERN NEBRASKA  
CATHOLICS

**Lunch and Recess  
Volunteers**

5th & 6th Recess

7th & 8th Recess

Lunchroom(all grades)

Kinder, 1st, & 2nd Recess

3rd & 4th Recess

**Nurse Volunteers**

The Nurse's Office is seeking registered nurses to join our list of volunteer substitutes. Volunteers are so appreciated when they're able to help cover the occasional times that our nurses need to be away from the office. They get to interact with students and staff that come into the office for minor ailments or first aid needs. These hours count towards the required contact hours for license renewal. If you are interested, please email [Christine-Bergeron@cdo](mailto:Christine-Bergeron@cdo), or call the school office at 402-489-0341 to set up a time for a brief orientation.



**ALL HANDS IN**  

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**VOLUNTEER TODAY!**

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**Mission Carnival Thanks!**

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## Thank you!

Dear Parents,

*Thank you for making our Mission Carnival a wonderful success! We went over our goal! An anonymous donor gave us at the end of the carnival, \$50.00 giving us a grand total of \$3,001.20!*

*I so appreciate all those who donated drinks, snacks, candy and cupcakes! The students had a great time and I was so proud of the Student Council and Mission Club members for running the games! They were so helpful in setting up the gym and also cleaning up afterward.*

*The St. John School in Malawi, Africa we are supporting will be so thankful for our generosity, sacrifices and monetary gift! God bless your goodness to them!*

*Gratefully in Christ,  
Sister Marie Jacqueline, C.K.*





## **Play Dates with School Pets!**

Our school Guinea Pigs, Leroy (brown) and Jasper (black) love to be held! They are available to be taken home Friday after school and brought back Monday morning. If your child(ren) would like to adopt Leroy and Jasper (together) for a weekend send in a letter with your child, email the office staff, or give us a call at 402-489-0341 and we will put you on our list!



### **Thank You, Dads!**

Special thanks to all the dads who joined us for the Father's Mass held on Friday, March 21. What a beautiful witness to your children to have you present to worship with our student body and to lead with the choir and readings at Mass. We are so blessed to have your leadership in the faith! Various studies reveal what a key role the father plays in whether or not children keep the faith they grow up with. May St. Joseph intercede for all of you fathers, as you live out your vocation.

### **Serra Club Essay Runner-up**

Congratulations to Frannie Matthes, 8<sup>th</sup> grade student, who recently was named second runner up in the Serra Club Essay Contest entitled, "Pilgrims of Hope." Frannie was one of many students in the city of Lincoln who entered this contest in hopes of winning a scholarship to Pius X High School.

### **Coming Up-Dental Screenings**

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## **Beyond the Bell 2025-2026**

### **Registration Open**

Are you in need of something to bridge the gap between school dismissal and the end of your work day? Beyond the Bell has you covered! Registration for the 2025-2026 school year is open. Visit [school.stjosep](http://school.stjosep) to learn about BTB and find a button to the online registration form near the bottom of the page. Spots are filling up fast, so register today to secure yours. Contact us at [JHEL-beyondthe](mailto:JHEL-beyondthe) with any questions.

### **Scratch Paper**

We need scratch paper! If you have any paper already printed on one side and looking to get rid of please send it our way! God bless you for your generosity!

The State of Nebraska recommends that all students have a yearly dental exam to provide preventative dental care. We will be doing dental screens at St. Josephs on **April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025**. Please see the attached [form](#) to indicate if your child has seen the dentist in the past 6 months, or has an upcoming appointment.

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## **Monthly School Rosary**

As a means of praying for the needs of our students and school families, St. Joseph School will be offering a monthly school rosary this year. Parents are welcome to join us as you are able. The dates and times are listed on the finalized [school calendar](#) posted on our website, with our next one being April 24 **at 2:50!** Times alternate between 10:30 am and 2:50 pm so different classes can join. Classes will participate as they are available, so be aware that some classes may be absent on a given month. May our Blessed Mother intercede for us and lead us closer to her Son, Jesus!

## **AROUND THE DIOCESE**

**PIUS X BOOSTER CLUB  
PRESENTS**

# JUNIOR HIGH GAME DAYS

**Tuesday, April 22nd**

**4pm - Girls JV Tennis vs. Marian**  
**5:30pm - Girls Reserve Soccer vs. East**  
**7:45pm - Boys Reserve Soccer vs. East**

**FREE Admission** With a current school ID

The Pius X Booster Board is promoting one final **Junior High Game Day** this Spring! All our Lincoln Diocese Jr. High Students will receive free admission when they present their school issued ID at the gate to these 3 events on Tuesday, April 22nd:

**Tuesday, April 22nd at Pius X**  
**4:00pm Girls JV tennis vs. Marian**  
**5:45pm Girls Reserve Soccer vs. Lincoln East**  
**7:30pm Boys Reserve Soccer games vs. Lincoln East**

**"Holy Hoops"**

Please join us for another Thunderbolts Youth Basketball Assoc. Event – HOLY HOOPS on **Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>** at Pius X High School. It will be an afternoon of basketball, faith, fellowship, and fun. It's a great opportunity to continue to develop your basketball skills. There will also be team competitions. 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade boys from 2:00-3:30 & 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade boys from 4:00-6:00. The cost is \$10 to attend. Please register by April 9<sup>th</sup> by e-mailing your son's name and grade to [\*\*boltsyouthhoops@gmail.\*\*](mailto:boltsyouthhoops@gmail.com)

**Pius X High School  
International Celebration**

Join us on Sunday, April 6 for the inaugural International Celebration at Pius X High School  
 6000 A St. in Lincoln

Mass will be celebrated at 3:00 followed with performances and food. share in the goodness of some of the many cultures at Pius X.  
 Attendance is free.



**Career Opportunities**

**St. Joseph 4th Grade Teacher**

St. Joseph Catholic School is seeking a faith-filled, dynamic teacher for a full-time fourth grade teaching position for the 2025-2026 school year. Start date August 2025. Strong collaboration and experience with diverse learning needs are also key qualities desired. The position involves furthering the mission of St. Joseph Catholic School by contributing to a positive learning environment. Please send:

- resume
- references from educational supervisors
- philosophy of education
- explanation of why you would like to teach in a Catholic school to [kevin-naumann@](mailto:kevin-naumann@).

## **St. Joseph & NAM School Counselor**

St. Joseph Catholic School & North American Martyrs Catholic School are seeking a faith-filled, compassionate, dedicated School Counselor to share time between both schools; 3 days a week at St. Joseph and 2 days a week at North American Martyrs.

### **The ideal candidate will do the following:**

- Maintain high professional standards consistent with the missions of North American Martyrs and St. Joseph Schools
- Adhere to ethical and legal standards in school counseling, reflective of Christian anthropology
- Collaborate with teachers, parents, and other stakeholders to address the needs of students and the school community
- Provide guidance and support to students with academic, social, emotional, or behavioral issues
- Assist students with goal setting
- Show awareness and sensitivity to unique student needs and be able to proactively plan and apply effective teaching strategies for each student's success.
- Strong team member committed to collaboration, building strong relationships, and content integration

### **Qualifications**

- Masters in School Counseling, Psychology, or a related field
- State School Counseling Certification
- Experience working in a school setting and counseling students
- Knowledge of various counseling models, practices, and resources
- Strong communication skills and high emotional intelligence
- Experience with conflict resolution and crisis management

Start date August 2025. Please send resume and references to [Kevin-Naumann@](mailto:Kevin-Naumann@) for consideration.

### **Pastor:**

Fr. Michael G. McCabe

### **Assistant Pastor:**

Fr. Loudon Redinger

### **Principal:**

Kevin Naumann

### **Assistant Principal:**

Sr. Mary Angela, C.K.

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