

FEBRUARY 2022

MONTHLY MESSENGER



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LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Knighly News from the Principal!

Dear Parents,

“The mission of the Catholic school is the integral formation of students, so that they may be true to their condition as Christ’s disciples and as such work effectively for the evangelization of culture and for the common good of society.” Pope St. John Paul II

Catholic schools benefit all year long from the religious guidance, prayers, and support parishes provide. St. Joseph’s Parish joins in the National Catholic Schools Week celebration by highlighting our Catholic school at Mass this weekend and in the upcoming week. We start the week by inviting parishioners and community members to parish-centered events, like our science fair exhibition and school open house that feature our outstanding academic schoolwork on display. Our own Student Council will host a bake sale to support 8th Grade scholarships as many prepare for their role in the life our Catholic High School, St. Pius X.

We so appreciate our SFA board who will be in attendance at this weekend’s open house, following the 9:00 Mass, and who is also sponsoring our Morning at the Movies next Saturday at East Park Theatres, when we focus on celebrating our families and the vital role that they play in Catholic education. Not only do you support us and volunteer at school, but you instill values and expectations for academic excellence and spiritual growth in your children at home.

Please join me in the invitation of all parish members to our Eucharistic Procession, next Thursday, from our church, through the halls of the school and then back again to the sanctuary, closing with Benediction. Also, join us as Junior High battles the faculty in a spirited volleyball game in the gym! Although we are limited to a small extent by the constraints of COVID protocol, we hope to come back strong next week, in celebrating our Catholic culture as a school and parish, with you, our generous benefactors. Thank you for all that you do.

Yours in Christ,
Kevin Naumann
Principal

NEWS

BIST Tip:

BOTTOM LINE – “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!

NEWS

FEBRUARY 2022 EVENTS

- 1 **Catholic Schools Week** (see [outline](#) for dress opportunities)
8B Class Mass
- 2 **Catholic Schools Week** (see [outline](#) for dress opportunities)
8C Class Mass
Eucharistic Procession, 2:15 pm
- 3 **Catholic Schools Week** (see [outline](#) for dress opportunities)
7B Class Mass
"Kindness Counts" Jeff Quinn Magic Show
K-4 @ 1:15 pm
5-8 @ 2:15 pm
- 4 **Catholic Schools Week** (see [outline](#) for dress opportunities)
Melodic Knights Class Mass
Jr. High Bowling in AM
8th Grade vs Teachers Volleyball, 2:30 pm
- 5 **Catholic Schools Week**
Morning at the Movies, East Park Cinema, 8:45 am
- 7 Student Confessions
Pius X New Student Orientation, 7:00 pm
- 8 6A Class Mass
- 9 **Kindergarten Preview, 3:45-5:00 pm**
- 10 6B Class Mass
4th Grade Field Trip
- 11 **NO SCHOOL (DEO Teacher Workday)**
- 15 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00 pm
Preschool Preview, 5:00-7:00 pm
- 16 Melodic Knights Class Mass
- 17 Youth Choir
1:00 pm Dismissal
Parent/Teacher Conferences, 2:00-6:00 pm
- 18 **NO SCHOOL (Comp Day)**
- 21 **NO SCHOOL (President's Day, CLC)**
- 22 **NO SCHOOL**
(BIST Consultant AM, Faculty Mtg PM)
First Holy Communion Parent Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 23 7A Class Mass
- 26 First Penance, 10:00 am

Holy Hour for Catholic Schools Week

In honor of Catholic Schools Week please join us for a Holy Hour at Cathedral of the Risen Christ on **Monday, January 31, 2022 at 7:00 pm**. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Career Opportunities

As we review staff needs, we currently have several positions to fill:

- Para, full or part-time, **currently open** (see pg. 6 for details)
- **Jr. High Science, 2022-2023 school year**
- **Jr. High Language Arts, 2022-2023 school year**

To inquire or apply, please email kevin-naumann@cdolinc.net.

Lunch and Recess Volunteers

St. Joseph School is in need of Lunch and Recess volunteers. Below are links to the sign-up forms.

LUNCHROOM

All Grades Click [Lunch K](#)

RECESS

Kindergarten Click [Recess K](#)

1st & 2nd Grades Click [Recess 1 & 2](#)

3rd & 4th Grades Click [Recess 3 & 4](#)

5th & 6th Grades Click [Recess 5 & 6](#)

7th & 8th Grades Click [Recess 7 & 8](#)

2022-2023 School Calendar Dates

Aug. 16: 1st Day of School (1/2 day)

Dec. 22-Jan. 2: Christmas Break

Apr. 6-11: Easter Break

May 25: Last Day of School



NEWS

BIST for Parents!

As part of its mission to support children and families, the Behavior Intervention Support Team (BIST) is offering a series of three complimentary classes for parents and guardians. Classes will be presented virtually and facilitated by Marty Huitt and the BIST Team. These classes are designed to:

- ◇ Create consistency between school and home
- ◇ Provide language for adults to use when redirecting children
- ◇ Share ways to problem solve to increase your child's success
- ◇ Increase generosity and kindness in your children
- ◇ Bring a sense of calmness to your home

For more information, or to **register by Feb. 4**, see this [link](#). Please join us from 6:00-7:00 p.m. for any or all three sessions!

- ◇ Tuesday, February 8: Setting Boundaries and Increasing Partnership
- ◇ Tuesday, February 15: Proactive Problem Solving
- ◇ Tuesday, February 22: Instilling Generosity and Kindness in Children

Catholic Schools Week

Next week is the students' favorite week of the year! Please check out the finalized [CSW Event Outline](#) to see the themes, dress opportunities and events scheduled for the week ahead. We thank all of you parents for your love and support of St. Joseph School!

Feel free to join us for Eucharistic adoration on Wednesday! You can sign up at this [link](#).

SFA Morning at the Movies

What better way to end Catholic Schools Week than with Morning at the Movies? St. Joseph SFA is hosting movies at Marcus East Park Cinema on **Saturday, February 5**. Donuts and Juice available at 8:45 am, and movies start at 9:30. See the attached [flyer](#) for more information. **Students must be accompanied by an adult.*



Registration Information for 2022-2023

Enrollment for 2022-2023 Coming Soon!

Saint Joseph will continue to do online registration for the 2022-23 school year! Our goal is to open registration mid-February. Please keep an eye out for more information.

A Change in the 2022-2023 Registration Process

The process in which our families register is changing. It will be more user-friendly and will alleviate the use of the Snap Codes for your child(ren). **Instead you MUST have a Parent Portal Account.** At the beginning of the school year all students were sent home with a form to help you create an account and the code to connect your child(ren) to your account. If you are in need of a new form please contact Emily Klein, Emily-Klein@cdolinc.net.



Catholic Schools Week 2022
January 30–February 5

www.NCEA.org/csw
#CSW22

SUPERSTAR CONTEST

Who's ready for Catholic Schools Week? We are! For **10 years**, Spirit Catholic Radio has been shining a spotlight on Catholic high schools and elementary schools in our listening area with our Superstar Contest. Vote for your favorite, or local, Catholic Schools! Get your communities talking about the importance of Catholic education by encouraging others in your community to vote! The Superstar Contest encourages them to see what a catholic education has to offer. See attached [flyer](#) for more information. **Our voting competition begins January 31 and lasts through February 11.** On February 14, we will announce our 10 winners of the Superstar Catholic Schools Contest for 2022. Visit <https://spiritcatholicradio.com/superstar2022/> to vote!

Winter Outdoor Recess Policy

In consultation with teachers and staff, the winter outdoor recess policy has recently been revised regarding temperature. The highlighted items below are changes to the original policy. This will go into effect immediately. To review other recess guidelines, see the parent handbook on pages 20-22. Thank you for sending your children properly dressed for cold weather!

Blacktop

- When the blacktop is ice covered, students will have indoor recess.
- When the blacktop is snow covered, teachers will use discretion to determine if recess will be outdoors.

Temperature

- Teachers always have the option to take students outside for brief periods of fresh air.
- When the temperature, with wind chill, is below 10 degrees, students will have indoor recess.
- When the temperature, with wind chill, is between 10 and 20 degrees, students will go outside for part of the recess. The time will be determined by playground teacher discretion.
- When the temperature, with wind chill, is above 20 degrees, students will have outdoor recess.



Kindergarten Preview

Do you have a child who will be ready for Kindergarten next year? If so, get ready for Kindergarten Preview! We will be hosting an in-person event for your incoming Kindergartner on **February 9 from 3:45-5:00 pm**. We are excited to meet your soon-to-be kindergartener! Please contact Emily Klein at emily-klein@cdolinc.net to indicate your pre-registration choice for St. Joseph School. This year, more than ever, it will be essential to register early in order to determine staff placement and the number of Kindergarten sections for next year, since we are committed to classes no larger than a twenty-to-one ratio between students and teachers.

Preschool Registration & Preview

Thinking of Preschool? It's not too early to start! Informational meetings with the preschool teachers are available **Tuesday, February 15, 2022 from 5:00-7:00 pm**. Contact Emily Klein at Emily-Klein@cdolinc.net or 402-489-0341 to sign up for a time. Preschool registration is also open for the 2021-2022 school year! Contact Emily Klein to register your child in the 3-year old or Pre-K sections now. Inquire about our 2-day, 3-day and 5-day options.

St. Joseph SCRIP

Show your LOVE this February with SCRIP! Add a small gift card to your Valentines! We have many small denomination gift cards! Colby Ridge \$1.00. Starbucks \$5. A-Maize-N Corn \$5. Panera Bread \$5. Taco Inn \$5.

Please consider supporting your school and church by purchasing gift cards with scrip this Valentine Season. Send your order with your student in the morning and we will return it with them the same day! (See [attached](#) order form!) Text Kate with any questions: 402-314-1416



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Meals for the Sisters

Dear School Families,

The past few years we have been blessed with the opportunity to provide weekly meals for the School Sisters of Christ the King who teach in our schools. **We had a great turnout for First Semester, but could still use participants for Second Semester!** Please [CLICK HERE](#) for more details and to sign up to participate in this very important ministry. Thank you for your prayerful consideration. Please reach out to me if you have any questions.

Cara Matthes: 402-477-8266 or caramatthes@neb.rr.com



Para Professional Position

St. Joseph School is looking for a faith-filled individual who has experience working with children to serve as a Para Professional with full-time or part-time options. Responsibilities/Duties include: confidentiality; strong communication skills with adults and children; assisting teachers with students individually or in groups; basic computer skills, including Microsoft Office suite and a working knowledge of basic office equipment. Please contact Kevin Naumann if interested in this position and send a resume and references to kevin-naumann@cdolinc.net.

Girls' Basketball

Monday 1/31 @ Cathedral

6:45 pm CRC 8 vs. St. Joe 8 Maroon

Tuesday 2/1 @ Cathedral

6:00 pm CRC 7 vs. St. Joe 7

7:00 pm CRC 8 vs. St. Joe 8 Gold

Thursday 2/3 @ North American Martyrs

6:00 pm NAM 7 Silver vs. St. Joe 7

Monday 2/7 @ St. Joseph's

6:00 pm St. Joe 8 Maroon vs. St. Peters 8

7:00 pm St. Joe 7 vs. St. Peters 7

Monday 2/7 @ North American Martyrs

5:00 pm St. Joe 8 Gold vs. NAM 8

Tuesday 2/8 @ St. Joseph's

5:45 pm St. Joe 7 vs. Parkview

6:45 pm St. Joe 8 Maroon vs. St. Teresa 8

7:45 pm St. Joe 8 Gold vs. Lincoln Eagles 8

Tuesday 2/15 @ St. Joseph's

5:45 pm St. Joe 7 vs. Lincoln Eagles 7

6:45 pm St. Joe 8 Maroon vs. Lincoln Eagles 8

7:45 pm St. Joe 8 Gold vs. St. Michael

Monday 2/28 @ St. Joseph's

6:00 pm St. Joe 8 Maroon vs. NAM 8

7:00 pm St. Joe 8 Gold vs. St. Peters 8

Thursday 3/3 @ St. Joseph's

6:00 pm St. Joe 8 Gold vs. CRC 8

7:00 pm St. Joe 8 Maroon vs. St. Michael

TRIVIA NIGHT!

SAINT JOSEPH YM PRESENTS

FUN!
& GAMES!
PRIZES!

It's back and better than ever! Saint Joseph Trivia Night is returning **February 12** and we would LOVE to see you there! Bring your smartest, or most fun crew, and be ready for trivia like never before! You'll need your big brain, your best senses, and your most competitive spirit along with great themes, and a great attitude!

Check in at the Pius X Commons at 6:30 pm, and trivia starts at 7:00! Bring your own drinks and snacks. Teams of 8 per table, \$20 per person suggested donation. All proceeds will benefit our Youth Ministry programs (but please note this is not a youth event). To register, scan the QR code or click [HERE!](#)

See you then!



1ST PLACE TRIVIA PRIZE:
Murder Mystery Dinner Party
for 6-8 people

BEST TABLE THEME PRIZE:
Back porch BBQ with the Fathers
at the Rectory

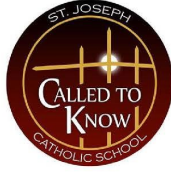


Pius X Open House

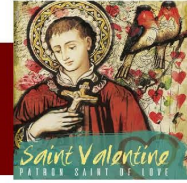
Pius X High School will host an open house at **7:00 pm on Monday, February 7** for 8th Grade students, incoming upperclassmen, and their parents/guardians. In 2020-2021, students earned \$515,000 in scholarships to attend Pius X, receiving support from the Pius X Foundation, the Lincoln Diocese (Good Shepherd Scholarship), and parishes. Learn more about affording a unique, faith-filled Catholic education at PiusX.net/explore. Parents of children younger than eighth-grade are also invited to sign-up at the link to receive grade-appropriate information for their children in the years ahead.

CALENDARS

February Events



February 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
(1/30) Catholic Schools Week Opening Mass 9:00 am	(1/31) Catholic Schools Week 8A Class Mass Students may wear free dress bottoms & St. Joseph or WFC t-shirt (no Plus t-shirts—show your St. Joseph Pride!)	1 Catholic Schools Week 8B Class Mass "What do you want to be when you grow up?" Dress-up Day	2 Catholic Schools Week 8C Class Mass Students wear uniform OR dress-up for the Lord (see email for more information) Eucharistic Procession 2:15 pm	3 Catholic Schools Week 7B Class Mass "Crayon Day" - Students may wear a monochromatic color "Kindness Counts" Jeff Quinn Magic Show K-4 1:15 5-8 2:15	4 Catholic Schools Week Melodic Knights Class Mass Homeroom Choice of Dress (i.e. slipper day, mismatch day, etc.) JH Bowling in AM Volleyball game 8th Gr vs. Teachers 2:30-3:15	5 Catholic Schools Week SFA Morning at the Movies
6	7 Student Confessions Plus X New Student Orientation 7:00 pm	8 6A Class Mass	9 Kindergarten Preview 3:45-5:00 pm	10 6B Class Mass 4th Grade Field Trip	11 NO SCHOOL (DEO Teacher Workday)	12 LADY OF LOURDES
13	14 	15 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00 pm Preschool Preview 5:00-7:00 pm	16 Melodic Knights Class Mass	17 Youth Choir 1:00 pm DISMISSAL Parent/Teacher Conferences 2:00-6:00 pm	18 NO SCHOOL (Comp Day)	19
20	21 NO SCHOOL (Presidents' Day) (CLO)	22 NO SCHOOL (BIST Consultant PD am/ Fac. Mtg. pm) First Holy Communion Parent mtg 7:00 pm	23 7A Class Mass	24	25	26 First Penance 10:00 am
27	28 Day 3		Day 5	Day 1	Day 2	

February Lunches

FEBRUARY 2022 LUNCH				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 Turkey Sandwich Fruit Choice Milk or OJ	1 Italian Dunkers Corn Fruit Choice Milk or OJ	2 Orange Chicken Brown Rice Stir Fry Veggies Fruit Choice Milk or OJ	3 Hot Dogs WG Bun Baked Beans Fruit Choice Milk or OJ	4 Breaded Mozzarella Sticks w/Marinara Sauce Mixed Veggies Rice Krispy Bars Fruit Choice, Milk or OJ
7 Chicken Noodle Soup Roll, Sweet Peas Fruit Choice Milk or OJ	8 Fiestada Pizza Seasoned Green Beans Fruit Choice Milk or OJ	9 Chicken Fajitas Flour Tortillas Green Peppers & Onions Fruit Choice Milk or OJ	10 Sloppy Joes WG Bun French Fries Fruit Choice Milk or OJ	11 NO SCHOOL DEO Teacher Workday
14 Cheeseburger WG Bun California Blend Veggies Fruit Choice Milk or OJ	15 Chicken Strips Roll, Corn Fruit Choice Milk or OJ	16 Breakfast for Lunch! French Toast Sticks Sausage Links, Tri-Tater Fruit Choice Milk or OJ	17 1:00 DISMISSAL Meat Lovers Pizza Seasoned Green Beans Fruit Choice Milk or OJ	18 NO SCHOOL Comp Day
21 NO SCHOOL Presidents' Day	22 NO SCHOOL Faculty Meeting	23 Chicken Taquitos Salsa, Mixed Veggies Fruit Choice Milk or OJ	24 Mini Corn Dogs Baked Beans Fruit Choice Milk or OJ	25 Mac & Cheese Broccoli Florets Fruit Choice Milk or OJ
28 Breaded Chicken Patty WG Bun Cucumber Slices Fruit Choice Milk or OJ				

*Student Lunch \$3.25
*Adult Lunch \$3.75

*Milk \$0.40
*Seconds Entrée or Sandwich \$1.25

*Turkey or Ham sandwich as a choice Monday thru Thursday
*Peanut Butter sandwich as a choice Monday thru Friday