



MONTHLY MESSENGER

MAY 2020



Knightly News from the Principal!

“Looking Back”

<https://stjosephknightsprincipalpage.home.blog/2020/04/30/looking-back/>

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**Remember, May 1st
is the feast of St.
Joseph the Worker!**

**St. Joseph,
pray for us!**

From Father McCabe

While public Mass has been suspended for the time being, the financial needs of the Parish and school have not. We still need to pay our teachers and staff (\$200,000 per month) and continue supporting Pius X High School (\$45,000 per month). Therefore, I urge you to mail your contributions to us or consider switching to automatic online giving via our Parish's giving portal at

<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/522>.

Also, a reminder that during the current COVID restrictions the facilities are open only to actual staff members (and service people: painters, etc.). That means the gym and playground, etc. should not be used.

May Crowning

One of our favorite devotions at St. Joseph School in May is to honor Mary with our May Crowning ceremony. Many of you look forward to it each year as well. We know some schools are doing modified versions, but in keeping with our parish stance of not encouraging gatherings, we decided to do a simple private ceremony with our office staff and share the [video](#) (hyperlink) with you. Also, we strongly encourage you to do a May Crowning in your own homes! Here is a simple [program](#) you could use.

We also found a neat site that has a free printable [Marian Shrine](#) for children to make. Mary loves to hear from all of us, her children! Remember to also pray the rosary for peace in all hearts and an end to the pandemic.



Registration Reminder

St. Joseph School is registering for next year. Yes, we are optimistic! Your students should have brought home their snap codes in late February. **We are aiming to have as many families as possible registered within the next week or so. Having as many as we can registered before the Tuition Agreements go out will help us to better understand our numbers for next school year. Tuition Agreements for the 2020-21 school year will be mailed out by May 15th.** If your family is not planning to attend St. Joseph's next year please notify the office at 402-489-0341 or Emily-Klein@cdolinc.net as soon as possible. ***If you have any registration questions contact Emily Klein at Emily-Klein@cdolinc.net.***

From The Lunchroom

Currently we have an abundance of negative lunch account balances. Please log into [MySchoolBucks](#) to view and pay your balance. If you need assistance please reach out to Mai Linebaugh at mai-linebaugh@cdolinc.net.

Last Day of School May 20

Our last day of school is still **May 20!** Although COVID has impacted our learning model, we are still engaged in the learning process through the end of the school year. May is the time to review and reinforce material learned through the year. Therefore, teachers will not be providing new material, but will instead have a set of resources for your children to use as a review for these remaining weeks of May. This gives the students time to finish up any missing assignments/projects and get those turned in so that teachers can finalize the grading process. Review materials can also be extended into the summer time at the discretion/need of your family. Your teachers will be communicating more details to you about this.

Summer Solutions

Summer Solutions is going to be doing things a little differently now. With the Covid-19 outbreak it seems impractical for those who choose to participate in Summer Solutions to have their books sent to the school. From now on they will be delivered directly to your home. If you have already purchased your books should be arriving within the upcoming weeks. If you'd like to participate see [attached](#) for more information.

2020-2021 Tentative Calendar

We have updated our [tentative calendar](#) for next school year with most dates being completed as we prepare for summer. Please note the following:

- **Picture Day** will be held before school starts, on the same day as the Ice Cream Social, **August 13**. In August, you will be receiving a sign-up link to schedule when you want to bring your children for pictures on that day. If you are out of town, there will still be a retake day later in the semester. If COVID-19 affects the start of our school year in the fall (which we pray it won't!), we have an *alternate* Picture Day on September 11.
- **Sacraments** of First Communion and Confirmation that were not completed this spring will be scheduled for the fall semester (probably September or October). This will not affect next year's classes who will still receive those sacraments in the spring, as usual.
- **Half Days** are still included in the calendar, but there are fewer of them than in the past due to Diocesan guidelines. Note in particular that the last day before Christmas break and the last day of school are now full days.

Technology Support Position

Hi, all! My position at St. Joseph Parish and School is changing. The majority of my time will be in the position of tech support for both the school and church while still teaching grades 4, 5, and 6. Our digital footprint is growing and the need for more on-site support has increased. I will also continue to be the Technology Liaison for the school with the Diocese Tech Office. I am looking forward to fulfilling that role and creating the best environment possible for St. Joseph students! – Amy Schenk

Summer Tutors

Below is the list of teachers who are available for Summer Tutoring. They can be contacted initially through their school email.

Tiffany Nagel, Tiffany-Nagel@cdolinc.net
Math, 5th Grade and up

John Rotter, John-Rotter@cdolinc.net
Math/Science, 5th-8th Grades

Barb Tremain, Barbara-Tremain@cdolinc.net
Math/Reading/Writing, 3rd-5th Grades

Anna Mandel, Anna-Mandel@cdolinc.net
PreK and Kindergarten

Kelly Baumgartner, Kelly-Baumgartner@cdolinc.net
Kindergarten-4th Grades

Robin Butolph, Robin-Butolph@cdolinc.net

St. Joseph Faculty and Staff

After highlighting our new faculty and staff last week, we wanted to share out our tentative list of [positions](#) for the coming year.

Please note that the configuration of teachers currently in Kindergarten may change based on our numbers for Kindergarten registration for the coming year. We would love to continue having three classes to keep numbers small. However, if numbers do not justify this, we will move one of the K teachers up to first and have three first grades. Again, enrollment will determine these adjustments, so if you are planning to enroll a student in Kindergarten for next year, now is the time!

School Library

**ALL LIBRARY BOOKS ARE DUE BACK
BY MAY 8th.**

You may return these to the [Library Book Return Cart](#) located in the hallway between the church and the school. The church entrance is open every day from until 6:00 pm.

Service Hours

We have been delighted by the number of students who were dedicated to service this year! Following is a list of students who went above and beyond the minimum requirements from the past two months. They were, or will be, receiving a special certificate in the mail. Well done, good and faithful servants!

March:

8th Grade – Elise Chadwick 40 hours

6th Grade – Owen Dodd 40 hours, Allie Gibson 34 hours, and Noah Newton 31 hours

5th Grade – Kaitlyn Giles 36 hours

April:

8th Grade – Grace Diederich 72 hours, Brooklan Doering 34 hours, Caroline Fortenberry 33.5 hours, Sally Henkenius 37.5 hours, Alex Krzycki 33 hours, Brynn Sebek 30 hours, Lucas Seipel 32.5 hours, and Savannah Wright 110 hours

6th Grade – Brogan Krzycki 33 hours, Greyson Shum 31 hours

Junior High Electives

If you will have a student going into Junior High for the first time next year, or need a refresher on how the electives and class list process works, please read this [note](#) from the Junior High team.

Beyond the Bell After School Enrichment Program

We are very pleased that BTB will continue this fall under the guidance of our new director, Andrea Scott. Attached you will find the Application Form that needs to be returned to the school by **June 1st**. There is more good news: the rates remain the same!

There is a change this year in the age range of students who will be accepted into the program. Last year, for the first time, we tried adding Junior High aged students. It has been determined that the BTB program is a better fit for grades K-6. Therefore we have decided that for the 2020-21 school year, 6th Grade will be the cut-off age once again.

We look forward to seeing your children this fall!

1st Day School Supplies

We know it's hard to think about school supply shopping, especially right now. But we want to tell you something: there will be a First Day of School next year! That's why we're excited to announce our continued partnership with 1st Day School Supplies!



This year, 1st Day is going to help parents and teachers get the exact supplies needed for next school year **WITHOUT THE RISK** of shopping at Walmart, Target, or Staples.

Attached is the link to the St. Joseph online school supply shop where you can purchase your student's supplies for next year without having to leave the comfort of your home. **The deadline for ordering is July 1.**