



**ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

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# WEEKLY WATCH

## Tilma Test

### Pop quiz time!

- True/False** The tilma (cloak) worn by St. Juan Diego when the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to him in 1531 was made of cactus fibers that should have decomposed in 20-60 years.
- True/False** The image on the tilma of Our Lady has been shown scientifically to be hovering about an atom's width above the cloth fibers and is not made of any type of dye, paint, animal or mineral pigments and there are no brush strokes.
- True/False** The stars on Mary's mantle are in the exact position of the constellations from the morning of Dec. 12, 1531, between 6:30-6:45 a.m.
- True/False** Light is reflected in Mary's eyes in the exact same way that it is in living human eyes (i.e. pupils dilate and constrict according to light intensity).
- True/False** Nitric acid was spilled down one side of the tilma when the frame was being cleaned and burned off part of the image, but over a period of weeks, the image gradually returned.
- True/False** A dynamite bomb exploded a few feet from the tilma in 1921, but the tilma was not damaged and the glass case enclosing it was not even cracked, even though the marble altar and stained glass windows were shattered, a large bronze crucifix was distorted and the blast was felt several buildings away.



7. **True/False** An adult human heartbeat has been detected at key points on the tilma (neck, chest, wrists, feet) and a child's heartbeat over the abdomen.
8. **True/False** Breath has been felt over Mary's mouth.
9. **True/False** In just 10 years after she appeared, 9 million people in Mexico converted to the Catholic Faith.
10. **True/False** Drawing a musical staff sideways, from top to bottom of the image, and placing the stars as notes creates a heavenly melody.

So, how did you do? If you answered true to each of these questions, you got 100%! I knew several of these facts before we had our presentation last week with a replica of the tilma of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Scott Watts, from Guadalupe Mission, shared all this and more with our students. What I hadn't realized is that the heartbeats, breath and eyes of a replica or painting can have the same effects as the original – and many of our students experienced this.

But what moved me was not the science or the facts themselves. These were simply instruments that drew the hearts of the children to their Mother. After his last presentation, when Mr. Watts asked if any students wanted to come touch the tilma for themselves, a crowd instantly formed around the image. And I saw unfold before me his closing words:

“Her head is tilted to the side to show that when you talk to her, she is already listening.  
Her hands are folded to show that when you ask her for something, she is already praying for you.  
Her knee is bent to show that when you come to her, she is already coming toward you.”



Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!

In the Heart of the King,

*Sister Mary Angela, C.K.*

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## **Update on PowerSchool Data Breach**

Dear PowerSchool Users:

We are writing to update you regarding the recent cybersecurity incident involving PowerSchool, the software vendor that provides our Student Information System (SIS).

On January 29, 2025, PowerSchool initiated the process of notifying individuals whose information was determined to be involved.

As previously mentioned, PowerSchool has engaged Experian, a trusted credit reporting agency, to provide complimentary identity protection and credit monitoring services to current and former students and educators that had information exfiltrated from PowerSchool SIS. PowerSchool is doing this regardless of whether an individual's Social Security Number was exfiltrated. In the coming weeks, Experian (on behalf of PowerSchool) will be distributing direct email notifications to involved individuals (or their parent/guardian, as applicable) for whom PowerSchool has sufficient contact information.

Additionally, PowerSchool has worked with Experian to set up a dedicated, toll-free call center to answer any questions associated with these offerings and the incident. All the information regarding the activation of and access to these services will be included in the email sent to you by Experian. Whether or not you receive an

email, you may also visit PowerSchool's website to learn how to activate the offering from Experian, linked here: <http://www.powerschool.com/security/sis-incident/notice-of-united-states-data-breach/>

Protecting our students and teachers remains our top priority. Thank you again for all of your support and understanding during this time.

Kevin Naumann, Principal

### **BIST Tip: "I can be okay even if others are not okay."**

This is another of the BIST Goals for Life. It carries two meanings in the school setting. For some children, seeing others who are distressed, angry or disobedient causes an empathetic response. They get preoccupied with why another is having a difficult time and find it hard to focus on their own work. In this case, if a teacher reminds them of this goal, it gives them permission to keep their attention on their own learning and let the teacher handle the child who is having difficulty. A second use of this goal involves how a child responds to another who is being unkind, rude or disrespectful. In this case, reminding him or her that we can be okay even if others are not helps them to see that, while the other child's behavior is not acceptable, that child is "not okay" and needs some sort of redirection, but retaliating will not help the situation. Think of situations at home where your children may find it helpful to recall this Goal for Life.

### **Morning at the Movies**



ST. JOE'S SFA  
**Morning**  
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**Movies**

**NEW DATE!!**

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**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2025**

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Marcus East Park Cinema

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St. Joseph SFA is hosting movies  
at Marcus East Park Cinema on Saturday, February 8.

Donuts, juice, and coffee available at 8:45 am.  
Movies start at 9:30!

This year's feature films:  
"The Wild Robot" and "Mufasa: The Lion King"

*Students must be accompanied by an adult.*

## Kindergarten Preview Thanks!

**A QUICK NOTE...**

Thank you for attending Kindergarten Preview! We're excited to have you be a part of our school! Please be sure to register by April 11th!

**QUESTIONS?**

CONTACT EMILY KLEIN AT  
[EMILY-KLEIN@CDOLINC.NET](mailto:EMILY-KLEIN@CDOLINC.NET)  
OR 402-489-0341!

*Mrs. Bales, Mrs. Swinscoe, & Miss Lux*

**HAPPY SPRING!**



## Preschool Preview!



[school.stjosephink.org](http://school.stjosephink.org)

**PRESCHOOL & PRE-K PREVIEW!** Get ready for Preschool & Pre-K at St. Joseph School!

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13 | 5:00-7:00 PM**

- ✓ Meet your teachers!
- ✓ See your classroom!
- ✓ Play with friends!



Contact Emily Klein at [Emily-Klein@cdolinc.net](mailto:Emily-Klein@cdolinc.net) or 402-489-0341 to RSVP!

## “What I Wish Parents Knew”

Mark your calendars for this informative SFA Parent Meeting on **March 11 from 6:45-8:00 p.m.** in Resurrection Hall. We will be hosting a panel discussion with great insights from Fr. Ben Holdren, Catholic Psychologist Dr. Peter Martin, Jr. High teacher Jacob Cortright, and experienced mother Ann Kotopka. Whether you are the parent of a preschooler or a high schooler, you won't want to miss this event! Free babysitting will be provided.

## BIST Parent Virtual Classes

As part of its mission to support children and families, the BIST Team is offering a series of complimentary classes for parents and guardians. Classes will be presented virtually and facilitated by the BIST Team.

### Topics and Dates:

- **February 11th: Growing Accountability with Empathy**

### Time (Central Time):

- 5:45 PM – 6:00 PM Enter Zoom Waiting Room
- 6:00 PM – 6:45 PM Informational Session
- 6:45 PM – 7:00 PM Questions and Answers

Please share the attached informational letter with your building's families. If families wish to participate, they will need to register through our website (information is in the attached letter). We can also provide you with a recording of each session, which you can then share with families.

We look forward to helping you and your school families ensure this school year is the best yet by providing insight into the BIST philosophy and increasing the school-home partnership. We are excited to share this opportunity with your school community!

## A Valentine Treat? Get SCRIP!

Treat your Valentine to a special Mexican treat! We sell gift cards to La Paz \$10/3%. Send your order with your student in the morning and we will return it with them the same day! Text Kate with any questions: 402-314-1416. [DOWNLOAD THE ORDER FORM!](#)

## Special Conference for Adults

Join us for a wonderful event held at St. Joseph Parish – Renew the Bride, the Church – on **Saturday, March 1, 2025. Father John Burns**, nationally-renowned speaker (featured on EWTN and Catholic Conferences like SEEK), will focus on renewing the Church through the flourishing of religious life, by means of the beauty of family life. Please invite your friends, families and coworkers to attend and/or pray for the spiritual success of this day. We hope to see you there! See the attached flyer for a link to register for this great opportunity. You may want to check out the website of Father Burns' ministry: [Friends of the Bridegroom](#), [renewreligious.org/](#)



**Renew the Bride, the Church**  
*A Conference for Adults with Father John Burns  
and Women Religious of the Diocese*

Convinced of the indispensable role of women religious for the whole Body of Christ, Father John Burns founded Friends of the Bridegroom whose mission is to renew the Church through the healing, renewal and expansion of women's religious life in America. Friends of the Bridegroom seeks to establish a strong culture of vocational discernment among young women and within the family.

March 1, 2025  
9:30 - 2:30

Saint Joseph Catholic Church  
Lincoln, NE

Parish Mass will be offered at 8:15,  
followed by a light breakfast  
Lunch will be provided

Every member of the Church has a part to play in the work of renewal.  
Join us!  
**Registration**



<https://forms.office.com/f19tZS0q2PIM>



**FRIENDS of the BRIDEGROOM**  
<https://www.renewreligious.org/>



*School Sisters of Christ the King*

## **St. Michael School - Camp Archangel 2025**

St. Michael School is excited to host our annual summer camp, Camp Archangel!

### **Friday, February 7 – Camp Registration Opens**

Camp registration will open at 8am on our school website. You will be able to access the appropriate webpage using the link below.

[2025 Camp Archangel](#)

## **Career Opportunities**

### **JH Social Studies**

St. Joseph Catholic School, Lincoln, is seeking a faith-filled, dynamic teacher for a full-time Junior High Social Studies position for the 2025-26 school year. Requires a passion for the formation of young people and a desire to assist students in viewing all aspects of human history through the light of Christ and the truth of His Church. Strong leadership and team-building skills 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, and explanation of why you would like to teach in a Catholic school to [kevin-naumann@cdolinc.net](mailto:kevin-naumann@cdolinc.net).

### **Spanish Teacher**

St. Joseph Catholic School, Lincoln, NE, is seeking a faith-filled, dynamic Spanish teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. Part-time position with potential to expand. Must have a solid working knowledge of Spanish (fluency preferred) and age-appropriate means of promoting language development for all grades PreK-8. 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 2025. Salary based on educational background and experience. Please send resume, and references from educational supervisors, to [kevin-naumann@cdolinc.net](mailto:kevin-naumann@cdolinc.net).

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