



# NOTEWORTHY

WHAT'S NEW  
AND EXCITING AT  
OUR SCHOOL



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## LEGAL EAGLES

**The SJS Mock Trial team had a strong showing at the 2017 St. John's University Catholic Middle School Mock Trial Program.** Approximately 250 students from 25 schools participated in the competition. SJS students argued the case of Strongarm vs. Rocket against St. Mary's. SJS represented the defendant in a negligence case involving a car accident. Our students were poised, prepared, quick thinking and persuasive. Many thanks to Mrs. Wolf and parent volunteer, Mrs. Guerra for coaching this year's team.



## CONTINUING OUR ANNUAL TRADITIONS

**Our school community gathered in the church on May 5th at a very special First Friday Mass to celebrate the 2nd Graders' First Holy Communion and our annual May Crowning.** There were smiles all around from the 2nd Graders and their parents as they received the Sacrament of the Eucharist. On June 2nd we gathered again for our last Mass of the year prepared by the 1st Grade, who did a wonderful job with the readings. This liturgy also included the 8th Grade Yearbook blessing (and dedication to Father Scolaro!) and goodbyes to Mrs. Teisch, Mrs. Coady, and Father Greg.

PARENTS, PLEASE JOIN US  
FOR A RECEPTION TO WELCOME  
MR. COLOMBAN TO THE SJS FAMILY.  
MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2017 • 7:30-9:00 PM  
IN THE SJS CONVENT YARD

## WELCOME MR. COLOMBAN!

**SJS would like to thank Mrs. Teisch for her dedication to our school and wish her the very best in her retirement!** We welcome Mr. Brian Colomban as our new Principal beginning in September 2017. Mr. Colomban comes to SJS from St. Pancras School in Glendale, Queens.



## HISTORY COMES ALIVE

**Kudos to our 3rd through 6th Graders for demonstrating all they have learned about Long Island, NYS, the "Fifty Nifty" United States and ancient civilizations during the 2017 Social Studies Fair.** The models, trifolds and monologues were impressive and demonstrated the depth of the students' research and preparation.



## A TIME TO REFLECT

**The 7th graders attended their first retreat at Holy Trinity HS where they reflected on their spiritual journey and participated in team building activities that promoted self-esteem and faith formation.** Father Scolaro attended the retreat with our students and celebrated the Mass.

## CONGRATULATIONS!

## AND SO MUCH MORE...

- The Golf Outing was a resounding success and broke previous fundraising records
- The 8th Graders who took the Regents Algebra I Test all received "scores of distinction"
- Congratulations to our 2017 Graduates!

**Have a happy, healthy and safe summer. See you in September!**