



ST. JOSEPH NEWSLETTER

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“Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ within me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me.” – St. Patrick

Weekly Round Up

Kids Heart Challenge Wrap-Up ❤️

We were excited to celebrate the success of this year’s Kids Heart Challenge! Thanks to the generosity and efforts of our students and families, our school raised over \$1,000 for the American Heart Association. The top fundraiser in each grade earned the chance to pie a teacher, and our overall top fundraiser, Macey, enjoyed being Principal for the Day. Congratulations to the 1st graders, our top class, who celebrated with a delicious pizza party! Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make a difference for others—just as Christ calls us to do!



Lent at St. Joseph School †

Lent is an especially meaningful time in our school community. Classrooms have begun Lenten Pray Partners, spreading cheer and encouragement through prayer notes and small acts of kindness. This week, our students also had the opportunity to participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, growing closer to Christ during this holy season. These activities help our students reflect, pray, and live out the spirit of Lent in their daily lives.

St. Joseph Novena & Feast Day

Next Thursday, we will celebrate the Feast Day of our school’s patron, St. Joseph. In preparation, students have been praying a novena together during morning prayer, asking for St. Joseph’s guidance and intercession. Next week, students will also gather in their Saint House groups to spend time together and complete a carpenter-themed activity. It is a special opportunity for our school family to grow in faith and reflect on the virtues of our patron saint.

Themed Dress Days 🍀

We have a couple of fun dress days coming up! Next Tuesday, students may celebrate St. Patrick’s Day by wearing a green shirt with uniform bottoms. Then on Thursday, we’ll celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph with a school spirit day. Students may wear a St. Joseph spirit shirt with uniform bottoms as we honor our school’s patron! 🎉

Supporting Student Success

To help combat chronic absenteeism and support students’ well-being, our school is partnering with Live Up Behavioral Health. They offer services such as individual and family counseling, therapeutic mentoring, and behavioral skill-building to support students facing challenges like anxiety, emotional regulation, social or behavioral concerns, and school-related stress. Families interested in learning more or to get connected with the right supports for their child can visit: <https://liveupbh.com/>.

Reminders

Enroll, Register, Apply: Enrollment, registration, and EdChoice scholarship applications are now open for the upcoming school year. Register by April 1 for a chance to win one of two \$50 gift cards! Early registration deadline is May 1. After that, a late fee will apply. Don’t wait. Secure your child’s spot today!

Dress Code Reminder 🇺🇸🇨🇦: Students should be wearing polos (short or long sleeve) with collars, and sweatshirts should have small logos in school colors. Let’s show our St. Joseph pride during the school day! Shoes must have backs. No sandals or Birkenstock-style shoes. Tennis shoes are preferred, especially since they are needed for phys. ed. classes. Dress code expectations will be tightened next year, so now is a great time to review and follow the guidelines.

Morning Drop-Off Reminder: For the safety of all students and families, please do not stop in the road during morning drop-off. If you are dropping off your child, you must pull into a parking space and park before letting them exit your vehicle. Stopping in the street creates unsafe conditions for other drivers and our buses. Your cooperation helps ensure a safe and smooth arrival for everyone. Thank you for your attention to this important safety matter!

Upcoming Events

- March 14: Confirmation
- March 17: St. Patrick’s Day
- March 19: Feast of St. Joseph
- March 21: Youth Choir @ 5 Mass
- March 25: 3rd Quarter Awards
- March 26: Stations of the Cross
- March 27- April 5: No School – Spring Break
- March 28: First Communion Retreat
- March 31: Chrism Mass

Saint of the Week

Saints Perpetua and Felicity



Perpetua was a catechumen and young mother nursing a newborn. Felicity was 8-months pregnant and also steadfast in her Christian faith. Both were imprisoned and thrown to the beasts for their belief. They are remembered as 3rd century martyrs.

“We lie not in our own power but in the power of God.”

Saints Perpetua and Felicity, pray for us!