

St. James School Friday Fodder

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CALENDAR UPDATE

9.4-NO CLASSES, Labor Day

9.5-First day for Quest Hot Lunch!

9.8-GRANDPARENTS' Day!!! Mass, 9:30, PC



St. James School is now tweeting! You can follow Mrs. Pappas on Twitter @SJS Principal

NEW!!

Follow the SJS Teachers as they tweet @SJS_Bulldogs



Like our official Facebook page! <u>Saint</u> <u>James School Arlington</u> Heights



From the Principal

~We love our pets! But...out of respect for those students with allergies to dogs or other animals or those students who may not be comfortable around animals, we ask that families please not bring animals on the school grounds before school, during the school day, or at dismissal. This applies to both west and east campuses. Thank you for your cooperation.

~We're so excited about **Grandparents' Day next Friday, September 8.**Grandparents and other special family members are invited to attend Mass with the school community in the Parish Center at **9:30**. A reception with cookies and juice will follow in the gathering area and our guests are invited to tour the school and visit the children's classrooms!



- *If at all possible, please park on the east side of Arlington Hts. Rd.
- *Those who park on the east side may enter through the school office
- *Guests will be met at the west doors as well
- *NJHS students will assist guests in finding grandchildren
- *Families may sit together
- *PK 4 does not attend Mass but will perform after Mass in the Parish Center

~IT'S BACK!! SUNDAY MASS VOLUNTEERS!!

All school families are invited to sign up on <u>iVolunteer</u> to serve as greeters, gift bearers or readers at the 11:30 Mass on the second Sunday of each month, from February through May. Students are asked to wear their uniform when serving. They will receive a Spirit Wear pass for volunteering. See more details in the Fodder listing.

~**LEARN & PLAY CLASSES REGISTRATION** is open! You can <u>view the catalogue</u> of offerings and sign up for session1, session 2, or both!

- Session 1 forms are due by 9.5, payment by 9.11
- Session 2 registration is due by 10.3, payment by 10.13

~Feel free to contact me via email <u>jpappas@stjamesschoolah.org</u> should you have questions or concerns!

Please see the electronic Fodder for more information on

~Grandparents Day ~SJS Handbook Sign Off ~Sunday Mass Helpers ~Children's Rosary Group ~Band Information ~Parish Middle School Choir



Lunch Service

Quest Hot Lunch begins next Tuesday, September 5. The link to Quest is https://www.mymealorder.com/Signup.aspx

A student ID number is needed. You may call the office to receive yours.

Quest Food Service will begin on Sept. 5.

LUNCH POLICY

Parents can choose between two options for lunch at SJS

- Quest Food Service-ability to order up to 48 hours in advance
- Sack lunch from home—PLEASE INCLUDE A NAPKIN!

St. James will no longer accept lunches from outside sources such as Jimmy Johns, McDonalds, etc.

Additionally, students have the opportunity to have 2 special lunches each month, October through May with Pizza for a Purpose and Parents' Club Special Lunch.

I respectfully ask that families abide by this policy.



Hooray for recess!

Parents' Club is proud to announce the purchase of new recess equipment for the benefit of all of our students. Want to know more? Join us at our first meeting of the year on Tuesday 9/17 at 7:00 p.m.!

JUST TWO WEEKS 'TIL COMEDY NIGHT! Get YOUR table reservation in!

Parents' Club proudly presents an easybreezy night of laughter! Gather friends to fill your table of 8 (or 10), pack the cooler, bring some snacks and you've got yourself a perfect parents night out! At just \$20 per person you can't go wrong! Click here



for our Comedy Night reservation flyer. This event is a BYOB, 21+ event. Your reservation and payment is due to the school office by September 14th.



Children's Rosary starts

Sept. 11 in the chapel

up again on Monday,

at 4:00. ALL ARE WELCOME!!

Quest Lunch Service is due to start on Tues., September 5.

Weekend Masses at

8:30-Ch

Sept. 3

10:00-PC 11:30-PC

5:00-PC as of

St. James Church

Saturday-5:00 pm-PC

Sunday-7:00-Ch



First Come – First Served! The Comedy Night Team is looking for a table of friends to offer help the night of the event. Your table reservation for eight guests is "on the house". Help a little - - Laugh A LOT - - Spend nothing!! Email Beth Cloud at

emb352@yahoo.com for details.



Glitzy Wear: Orders due before NOON Fri. Sept 8.

Click here to view the Glitzy Wear order form for the latest Bulldog Bling! Orders are due by NOON on Sept 8th. Any order form received after 12:00 pm on 9/8 will not be processed, so please return your order form directly to the school office before 12:00.

Our NEW online spirit shoppe is LIVE and available year-round: <u>ST. JAMES SPIRIT WEAR CHEER SHOPPE</u>

Thank you to our school office secretaries, Jane Jones and Joan Schade for quickly distributing the new spirit wear that arrived last Friday just in time for our first spirit wear day. Did you receive your order? We'd love your feedback! Please let us know what you think about our new spirit wear! Please email: sjsparentsclub@stjamesschoolah.org

(Our Glitzy Wear offering is separate from our online spirit shoppe.)

Click here to enter the ST. JAMES SPIRIT
WEAR CHEER SHOPPE
Ship time is generally about two weeks.
Orders placed within the first two weeks of our school year receive a free delivery to your

child's backpack!



Mums the Word! Orders due Mon. Sept 11th.

Get your garden ready for the fall season! The mum sale flyer is available here. Print and return your order to the school office with payment by 9/11. These big and beautiful mums from Turks Greenhouse will be available for pick up between 3-5 pm on Wednesday, September 20 in the East side parking lot just North of the church. Mums make great gifts, too! Order an extra for a friend or neighbor!

BULLDOGS, raise your hands if you are ready to sell some raffle tickets!



THE 2017-2018 PARENTS' CLUB BULLDOG RAFFLE IS BACK!!! Parents and Saint James Faculty, the Bulldog Raffle is set to begin on September 8th when raffle tickets will be sent home via students' backpacks. The Bulldog Raffle is one of Parents' Club's biggest fundraisers and provides a chance for ticket sellers to win a total of \$1,675 in monthly cash prizes, a \$1,000 tuition voucher, Laser tag, Bowling, skating, pizza, ice cream and much more! The top raffle ticket selling family will win a lunch from Jimmy John's in the

cafeteria at their own special table. WOW!

More information will be coming via the Fodder and sent home with students' raffle tickets. Thank you in advance for your support of

Parents' Club. If you have any questions contact committee chairs Jacalyn Derengowski (jjderengowski@yahoo.com) or Sandra Chaplin (sandramchaplin@gmail.com). GO BULLDOGS!

JOIN US FOR THE FIRST PARENTS' CLUB MEETING OF THE YEAR! TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE O'BRIEN ROOM. The O'Brien Room is in the basement of the parish office. Please enter through the Parish Office and head downstairs.



Updates with the most current information may be found on the <u>SJS</u> website calendar



Be informed. Join our faith-filled parent community. All are invited and welcome to provide input and hear about our events and activities!

PARENTS' CLUB REGISTRATION

If you have not yet registered with Parents' Club, please visit our <u>online registration site</u>. Follow the links all the way through to the Give Central page, which will allow you to make your payment online and have the option to order additional calendars or a printed directory. (One large calendar and access to the online directory is included with your annual dues.) THANK YOU!

We are in need of a chairperson for our annual Magazine Drive. Please contact Christine Chodil if you'd like to find out how you can help!

Thanks to our
Photography Team
who snap pictures at
many SJS events.
Enjoy their
contributions at

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Protecting God's Children

Remember that all volunteers must complete all Archdiocesan requirements prior to starting their volunteer experiences. Requirements include

- completing the CANTS form and submitting to school office (to be completed annually)
- signing off on the Code of Conduct (submit to school office)
- completing Virtus Training

Further information may be found at the following link http://archchicago.org/departments/safe environment/training.shtm

Virtus Training will be held at St. James on Monday, September 18 at 6:00 pm although training may be completed at any site listed on the Archdiocesan site.



From the Parish Business Office

For those who are new to St. James: Welcome! and to those returning, welcome back! We're happy to have you here at St. James School! Here is some information regarding tuition obligations; please contact the business office or SMART Tuition with any other questions you many have.

- ALL FAMILIES are enrolled in SMART Tuition, our tuition servicing company.
 - Please visit SMARTTUITION.COM (888.868.8828) to gain access to your account, make online payments, etc. Payments are always due on the 20th of the month to SMART Tuition, regardless of your payment plan. Those on the 12 month plan have already begun to make payments; everyone else will soon receive electronic invoice/information from SMART regarding your first payment (due Wednesday September 20th). Be aware that there is a \$35 late fee for late payments. Late fees are added <u>each month</u> that the current balance is not paid in full.
- SMART Tuition has gone paperless!! Moving forward, invoices will be emailed – Please verify that SMART Tuition has your preferred email address and phone number (and make sure SMART is not in your SPAM settings).
- The participating parishioner tuition rate requires a \$1000 minimum family donation to the church (\$500 for Pre-K only families) due no later than April 30. Donations made to Sunday and Holy Day collections satisfy this requirement. The business office mails statements in October to ALL families who are paying the participating parishioner tuition rate. These statements are meant to help plan/adjust for the \$1,000 donation. Similar statements will be sent again in December and March (letters will not be sent to those who have already met this obligation).
- The business office tracks donations through the parishioner envelope

HOW CAN YOU HELP SJS?

http://stjamesschool

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life/photo-library/



SAVE BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION and CAMPBELL SOUP LABELS! PRODUCT LISTING IS AT http://www.boxtop s4education.com number. Every SJS family has a number between 7000 – 7999. If this is your first year at St. James School, your number has changed; please begin using your new envelopes with the 7000 number and discard the old ones. If you'd like, please consider online donations via GiveCentral, found on the parish website http://www.stjamesah.org/online-giving

As always, if you have any questions, please contact the business office: Barbara Krawczyk 224.345.7239 bkrawczyk@stjamesah.org OR Tricia Dulkoski 224.345.7211 tdulkoski@stjamesah.org

Enjoy these beautiful warm days!