

NOTES FROM MRS. NASH

Embracing curious minds. Nurturing compassionate hearts.

ST. JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

MARCH 28, 2025

Dear SJF Families,

Our 7th graders did a beautiful job leading us in praying the Stations of the Cross this past Wednesday. Thank you to Dr. Chermak and Mrs. Ade for preparing our Falcons so well. We are proud of all of our Falcons as they demonstrated commitment and perseverance during this month of March. It is hard to believe that next week is already April 1st! We will begin to concentrate on our second to last trait of the month, empathy. As always, we encourage you to talk to your children about this trait at home for a consistent message and focus.

Don't forget that our students are off on Monday for our faculty and staff professional development day. We love this meeting day because we take stock of what is still working well and make a plan to support areas that need to be strengthened. By intentionally outlining and setting goals, we remain grounded in purpose during this busy time of year and work to ensure we have a strong and successful finish to the school year with our Falcons.

Thank you for continuing to choose Catholic education, especially St. John Fisher. Thank you for entrusting your most precious gifts to us each and every day. We truly are LUCKY to be FALCONS! You belong here.

In unity and hope,

-Mers. Maura Nach



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Important Announcements

- Extended Day: <u>Don't forget to sign up your Falcon(s) here</u>. If you have questions, please reach out to Mrs. O'Grady, dogrady@sjfschool.us.
- Attention Attention! <u>PLEASE KEEP YOUR CHILDREN HOME if they are not</u> <u>feeling well</u> in an effort to reduce the amount of illnesses being spread! As a reminder, our school sick policy requires children to stay home from school the following day if they have been sent home with vomiting, fever (100 degrees), rash or diarrhea. <u>Students must be fever free without the use of fever reducing</u> <u>medicine for 24 hours before returning to school</u>. If there are symptoms of a communicable disease (reddened eyes, sore throat, fever, headache, rash) please do not expose other children to the possibility of sickness. Thank you for your cooperation!
- Heads Up! *This is the time of the year for lice*. Please remind your children not to share brushes, hats, helmets, etc. Please report any cases of lice to the School Office. Thank you!
- Time to register for *SJF's 3rd Annual Family Night*! <u>Visit this link today</u>!
- Our Yearbook Team is actively working on our 24-25 yearbook. *We are looking for group photos of Homecoming, Football, Cheerleading, Confirmation, any field trips or candid shots*. Please send pictures to <u>SJFyearbook@sjfschool.us</u>.
 - If you are interested in ordering a yearbook, please see the flyer below.
- <u>Calling all parents who are Veterans!</u> The American Legion would like to show their appreciation for you by presenting you with a gift basket. If you are a United States Veteran, please email Mrs. Houston for more information, khouston@sjfschool.us.

Pro Labore Dei

- We are looking for 5 student volunteers to help on **Saturday, April 5th, in the** rectory at 9:15 a.m.
- Our annual Easter basket drive is taking place again for families in Robbins, Posen, and St. Thomas More. Any donations to this project are greatly appreciated! Please drop-off any contributions to the rectory by noon on April 9th.

Thank you for your generosity!



ST. JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

Looking Ahead		
Weekend Mass	Manna Hours @ The Convent 8:30-9:30 a.m. 4 p.m, 8 a.m. & 11 a.m. All are welcome!	
Monday, March 31 st Do	NO SCHOOL! Teacher & Staff Professional Development	
Tuesday, April 1 st	HW Club 3-3:45 p.m. w/ Mrs. Ade, Mrs. Schiller & Ms. Dunlavy Special Lunch!	
Wednesday, April 2 nd	Manna Hours @ The Convent 6-7 p.m. HW Club 3-3:45 p.m. w/ Mrs. Ade, Mrs. Schiller and Ms. Dunlavy	
Thursday, April 3 rd	Future Falcon Playdate 10:15 - 11 a.m. in gym	
Friday, April 4 th	Happy Falcon Fri-YAY! CPL. Conner T. Lowry Day, students dress down in Red, white & Blue And <u>Bring in \$2</u> to support conner T. Lowry Foundation	
Saturday, April 5th 🎵	5 th Annual CPL. Conner T. Lowry Gym Dedication @ 5 p.M.	
ATTENTION Manna office hours will be closed on Saturday, April 19th and Wednesday, April 23rd.		

School Advisory Board

Every Spring, we begin the process to meet new parents and parishioners to discuss joining the School Advisory Board. We appreciate you considering sharing your skills and talents with us to support the School's Goals. The minimum time commitment is about 2 hours per month including a monthly meeting and follow-up committee work. There is additional information on our structure and goals under "Organizations" tab of the school website. Typically, the selection process includes an interview with current and past board members in early summer. We aim to select new board members by August to enable a strong start for the new school year. Please email sjfsab@gmail.com with any questions. You can submit a resume to that email if you would like in addition the the application <u>linked here</u> although it IS NOT required. Thanks!

Together let's build a school that we love.

Do you ever wonder what our morning Zoom announcements are like? Now you can see them for yourself! <u>Visit this link</u> to see recordings of our latest and greatest morning moments. ENJOY!

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CONNER T. LOWRY RED, WHITE & BLUE DAY FRIDAY, APRIL 4TH Donations will go to the

Conner T. Lowry Foundation \$2.00 DONATION























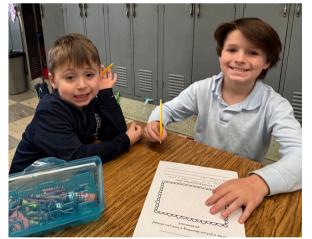


































Dear SJF Families,

Several cases of lice have been reported to our school office. Please do not be alarmed, as this is a common occurrence in schools. Head lice are not a sign of unclean people or unclean homes!

Please take these precautions:

1) Check your child's hair for eggs (nits).

2) If you suspect your child has head lice, seek appropriate treatment (which includes thorough cleaning of bedding, clothing, coats, etc.). Chicago Lice Removal is a local, St. John Fisher family owned business that can be a helpful resource with this process, 708.966.3028.

3) Call the School Office to report the case. All calls are kept confidential! It is also recommended that you notify close contacts in order to control an outbreak.

4) If head lice are found, do not send your child to school until he/she has been treated and all the nits have been removed. We have a **No Nit Policy**, meaning all eggs must be removed before returning to school.

Educating your child(ren) about how lice are spread from one child to another may prevent infestation. Children should be advised not to share combs, brushes or hats. Home head lice checks should be a part of routine personal hygiene and are recommended to identify early, easily treatable infestation. **Please give the needed time and attention tonight to check the head(s) of your child(ren).**

Feel free to contact us with any questions.

-St. John Fisher School

CPL CONNER TOWRY DAY Join us for the 5th Annual Conner T. Lowry Gym Dedication

SATURDAY, APRIL 5TH 5:00 PM CEREMONY BOYS VOLLEYBALL PACK THE HOUSE ST. JOHN FISHER GYM

> National Anthem performance by SJF students!

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1 PM	4TH	SJF White vs. Mt. Greenwood
2 PM	5TH	SJF White vs. Mt. Greenwood
3 PM	6TH	SJF 6B vs. Evergreen Park
4 PM	6TH	SIF 6A vs. Incarnation

- **5 PM CPL. CONNER T. LOWRY GYM DEDICATION**
- 5:30 PM7THSJF 7B vs. St. Linus6:30 PM7THSJF 7A vs. St. Christina
- 7:15 PM 7TH SJF 8B vs. St. Gerald
- 8:00 PM 8TH SJF 8A vs. St. Christina

St. John Fisher Family Night

Join us for an evening of games and crafts for the whole family!

Visit <u>this link</u> to register today! We can't wait to spend the evening with you!

April 10 6:00-7:30

Be on the lookout for details about this fun-filled night and a photo op with a special guest!



Come on in to your local Culver's restaurant:

Culver's of Evergreen Park 9515 S. Kedzie Ave Evergreen Park, IL 60805



White Sox vs Detroit Tigers June 4th, 2025 at 6:40 PM Tickets are \$20-\$25 each. Limited Tickets Available!

To purchase your seats: CLICK HERE

Please email Carrie Erwinski at Carrie726@gmail.com with any questions.



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SJF Chess Club

- Monthly gatherings to play games & sharpen our skills.
- All skill levels are welcome!
- Kane Hall following the 11:00 a.m. Mass, 4.13 & 5.4
- Join us when you can.
- Feel free to bring your own chess set!
- All children MUST be accompanied by an adult!



St. John Fisher Proudly Hosts Future Falcons Playgroup

Each Thursday of the month beginning from 10:15-11 a.m.

Experience the Falcon way through play at our weekly playgroup sessions filled with activities, music and community building.

Where & When?

St John Fisher Gym 10200 S. Washtenaw Ave. Thursdays of every month beginning October 8th from 10:15-11. \$5 per child/\$15 per family max

Why Play?

At SJF, we value intellectual, academic, social & emotional growth. Through play, children are able to develop these skills while building relationships within their community.



Who & What?

All children 0-3 and caregivers are welcome! Enjoy a range of fun activities and getting to know your fellow future Falcon friends!



Social & Emotional Learning

At SJF we continue to build upon our SEL goals. <u>Each month</u> of the school year will have an allschool focus on the trait of the month, helping students strengthen particular social skills with different lessons and activities at the classroom level and as an entire school. We encourage you to talk to your children about these traits at home for a consistent message and focus. The trait of the month program is building upon this year's behavior system and school mantra:

September	Responsibility
October	Respect
November	Gratitude
December	Kindness
January	Integrity
February	Friendship
March	Perseverance
April	Empathy
May	Optimism

Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe.



Be Respectful, Responsible & Safe. Be a Falcon.

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Embracing curious minds. Nurturing compassionate hearts. *Below is a list of important dates for the 2024-2025 school year. *These dates are subject to change.*

- All-Staff Professional Development and Planning Day No School: **3.31**
- All-Staff Religious Professional Development No School: 4.16
- Spring Break: 4.16 4.27 *classes resume 4.28
- May Crowning: **5.9** ~ 11:30 a.m. dismissal
- Memorial Day No School: 5.26
- Last Day of School for 8th Grade: 5.30, 10:45 a.m. "Clapout"
- Graduation: **6.1** ~ 1 p.m.

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• Last Day of School: **6.4** ~ 10:30 a.m. dismissal

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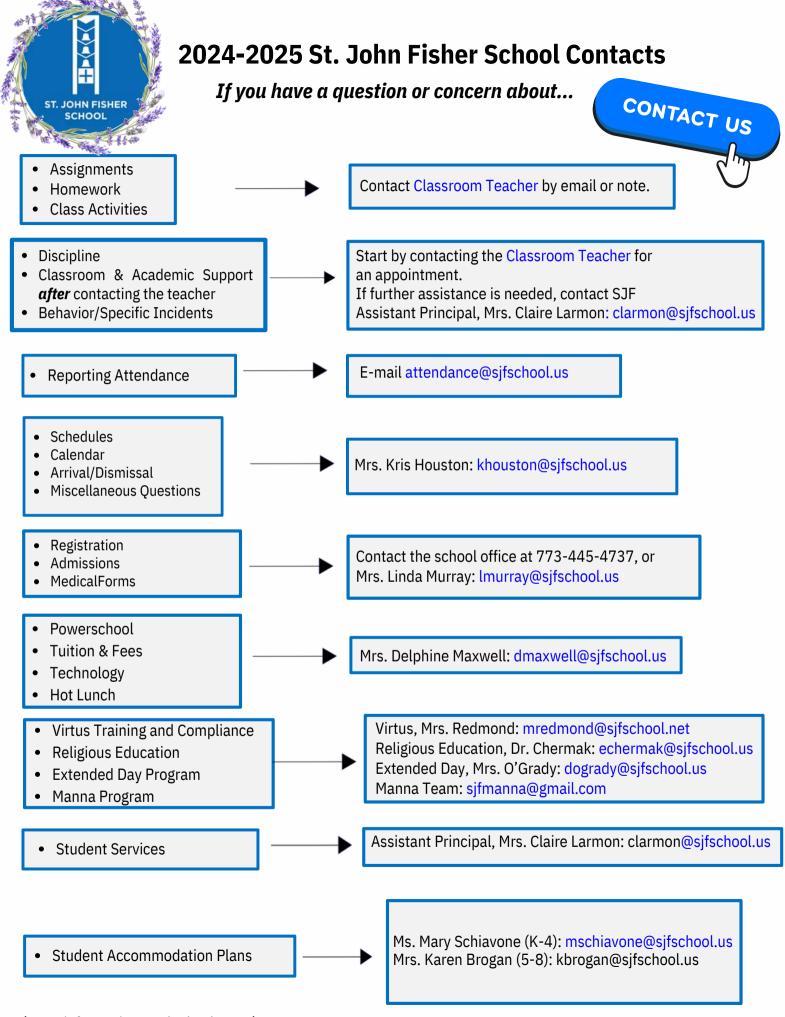




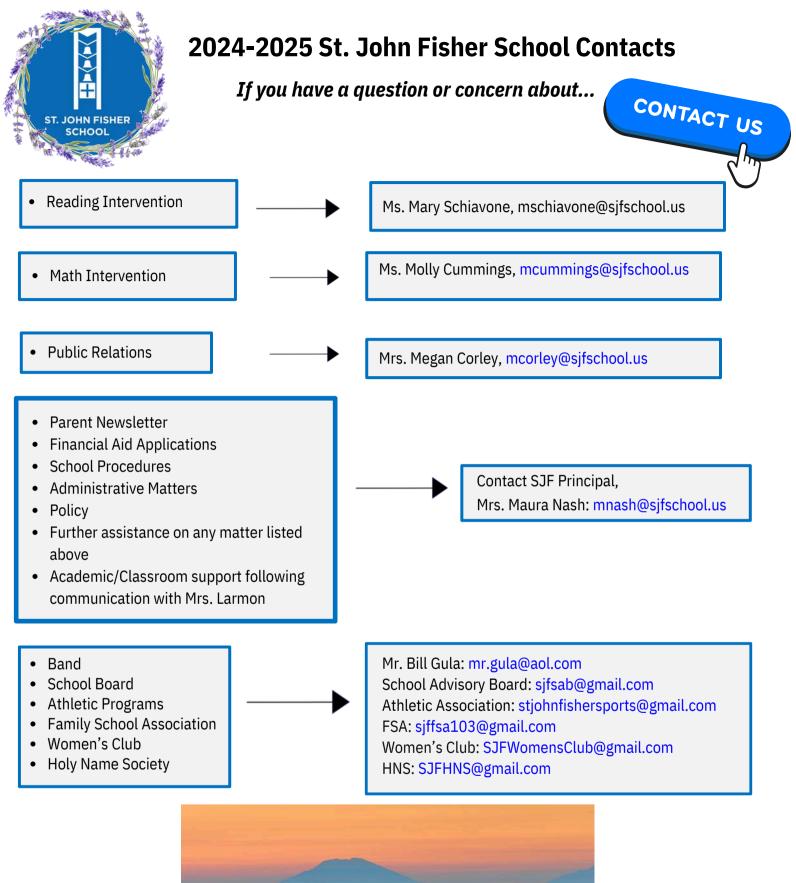
2024-2025 School Mass and Prayer Service Schedule

Sunday, April 6th at 11 a.m. Spring Sports Tuesday, April 15th at 1 p.m. Holy Week All School Prayer Service 8th, grade Wednesday, April 16th - Religious Enrichment for Faculty Professional Day Saturday, May 3rd at 1 p.m. First Holy Communion Friday, May 9th at 10:30 a.m. May Crowning, 8th grade Friday, May 23rd at 8:15 a.m. Ribbon Mass 8th grade Sunday, June 1st at 1 p.m. Graduation Mass 8th grade Thursday, June 4th at 9:15 a.m. Last Day of School Mass 7th grade

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(more information on the back page)



We're all working

together; that's the secret.

Sam Walton