

St. Joachim School

WEEKLY UPDATE!

February 26th-March 5th



At A Glance...

Fri., March 1st Dinner Dance at 6pm in the Holy Spouse Hall

Yearbook; Last Day to purchase Ads & to Turn in Photos

Noon Dismissal

Sat., March 2nd Decathlon Competition at 8:30am in San Joaquin Memorial

Mon., March 4th 2nd Grade Reconciliation in Church at 7:00pm

Tue., March 5th Kids Day (A Benefit for Valley Children 's Hospital)

WEDNESDAY Ash Wednesday; School Attends 9:30am Mass

Fri., March 8th No Mass

Wed., March 6th

Save the Dates: Fri., March 15th—Noon Dismissal

Wed., March 20th—Spring Pictures

Thur., March 28th—Holy Family Table Collection

Fri., March 29th—Noon Dismissal

DEDICATION PAGES DEADLINE

Show how proud you are of your children by placing a dedication page in our yearbook! Our Mustangs can get a surprise from YOU! Lets make it special for them. If you have a business you would like to promote, you may also purchase an Ad in our yearbook by March 1st. Please send all photos to yearbook@sjoachim.org (all photos must be in JPEG format).



RE-ENROLLMENT 2019-2020

All families who are planning on returning for the 2019-2020 school year are asked to go to St. Joachim School 's new website and enroll online (www.sjoachimschool.org) Go to the ADMISSIONS Tab, click on: Online Registration. You do not have to pay anything at this time, but we would like to have you begin the registration process.



FINANCIAL AID—FACTS

It is also imperative that anyone who is planning on applying for financial aid for the 2019-2020 school year apply **now** through FACTS. All applications for financial aid must be submitted by April 1, 2019. Any applications received after that point will be limited in the amount of possibly assistance.

KINDERGARTEN APPLICATIONS

Kindergarten application forms are now available for pick up in Front Office. All families, including those who currently have students enrolled in our school, or in our preschool, must complete an application for entrance to kindergarten. Also, please encourage your friends or relatives who may be considering St Joachim School to pick up an application.

PARENT VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

All parents that wish to volunteer at St. Joachim School either in the classroom or on the field trips will need to complete the following steps listed below:

Fingerprinting (Live Scan): Only one time. No renewal

(please be aware Live Scan cost will not be reimbursed)

Safe Environment Training: Re-training every 3 years

The website is https://safeandsacred-fresno.org

Turn in your certificate to school office and we will invoice you \$6.00

St. Carmen Sallés

"You will encounter Jesus in the hearts of children."

School Covenant

Our School Covenant consists of six points we are to agree on. All of them are essential to a Godcentered community. The first of them being the following.

We agree on Our Identity

Our identity first begins with us acknowledging that we are all children of God, and therefore empowered by God himself to be brothers and sisters in Christ. Many of us have heard this before and it may not be anything new to us, however, we may at times fail to realize what this relationship entails. What does it mean to be brothers and sisters in Christ? What does this relationship ask of us? This question is not easily answered but I hope that the following 10 points on how to love our brothers and sisters in Christ are a good start.

Previous Points:

- 1. Put your brothers and sisters first (Phil. 2:3), 2. Seek Their Good (1 Thess. 5:15)
- 3. Ask for Their Forgiveness/Forgive Them (Col. 3:13), 4. Listen to Them (James 1:19)
- 5. Include Them (Pet. 4:9), 6. Be Generous (2 Cor. 9:11)
- 7. Sacrifice (Jn. 15:13), 8. Tell the Truth (Eph. 4:25)

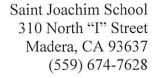
This Week's Points:

9. Encourage Them with the Gospel (1 Thess. 5:11)

Love points people to Jesus Christ, in whom we see love at its best. Those around you need to hear how the good news of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, is still good news for them today. For without it we drift back to false hopes, doubts, and fears.

10. Pray for Them (James 5:16)

If you love your brothers and sisters you will pray for them. Love prays. It seeks God's action in their lives. It pleads with God for greater grace on behalf of others.





February 26, 2019

Good morning everyone,

We will be releasing the new tuition and fees information shortly. I am asking everyone who is intending to re-register for next year to communicate that now through our new website (www.sjoachimschool.org). No money is being collected at this time.

You will notice that next year's FACTS payment options will only include automatic withdrawals (ACH) from your bank account, or credit card. If there is a necessity to make your payment any other way you will be directed to discuss this option with me, the principal. This change has been made because of the many delinquent accounts we have encountered this year. Invoice options will be only granted in extreme situations. Please know that this is a decision which is for the good of the entire school community.

It is very important that anyone who is considering applying for financial aid for next year apply through FACTS (also available on the new website) before April 1st. This is the deadline!

Thank you for your understanding, and we will be releasing the new rates and fees for 2019-2020 by the end of the week.

In the spirit of Christ the Teacher,
Darlene Lopez
St Joachim School - Principal

February 19, 2019

Dear SJS Families.

As I write this letter I am filled with a mixture of feelings. The greatest of which are joy and gratitude. After having started as a second grade teacher and for the last 6 years a first grade teacher I am answering His call for change. This has not been an easy decision, but at this time I feel called to use my talents in a different way.

The joy comes in knowing I will be able to continue working with the wonderful students, parents and St. Joachim families in a way that will benefit everyone. After much discussion with Ms. Lopez, I plan to return to St. Joachim next year working with students in a different capacity. We are looking at my being a resource for students who are struggling in the areas of Language Arts and Mathematics.

The gratitude stems from all the love and support I have received over the years at St. Joachim. Starting with my first day, I have felt welcomed, supported and a part of something greater than myself. Also, I appreciate the opportunities I have been given during my time at St. Joachim School.

Thank you for all you have done for me, your children, and SJS over the years. Although I will still be a presence on campus, I wish you and everyone at St. Joachim the best for the future and look forward to how God will use me next year.

Sincerely, Karen Lincoln

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Vacation Giveaway

AMAZING PRIZE

European Vacation for 2-Choose from over

50 locations- You choose your date of travel

\$50 ENTRY

Need not to be present to win!

ENTER TO WIN

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winner receives a \$4,000 gift card to gateway travel to be used to book a dream destination of their choice.

Official rules posted in school office.



RE: This Year's SJS Parent Club Elections

This spring the SJS Parents Club will be holding elections for a new Parents Club board. We would like for you to consider yourself, a friend or acquaintance who would be good to assist our school in this way. In March we will be taking nominations, in April ballots will be going out, and in early May we will be announcing the Parents Club for the 2019-2020 school year.

Last year the Parents Club voted to go to 2-year terms as our school board does, for consistency of activities and because of the learning curve involved. Parents Club is not time-prohibitive and is a great way to get involved in our school. Various officers oversee that the various parent club events are chaired and coordinated. Active Parents Club officers get credit for their 20 hours for the year. Parent Club meetings meet on the first Wednesday of every month at 6 pm. It is very rewarding and a great way to be involved in the good of our school, meet new people and help be involved in events directly benefitting our students and families.

Consider the following positions that we will be filling this year:

Parent Club President

Leads the parent club meetings via the agenda and oversees that the various jobs and events are being executed.

1st Vice President, Volunteer Fundraising

Oversees that the volunteer hours and fundraising dollar amounts are available to the families to keep track of throughout the year.

2nd Vice President, Room Parent Coordinator

Coordinates the communication with the room parents, makes sure to have up to date information for the room parents regarding field trips and other pertinent information.

Takes minutes at the Parent Club meetings, prepares Secretary

for the following meeting, create the meeting agenda.

Treasurer Reports the Parents Club financial reports of the various parent club

event budgets.

Ways and Means Committee Reports back to parent club how the fundraisers are going, sees what

assistance might be needed for various fundraisers.

Director of Academic Enrichment

Helps looks for opportunities or helps coordinate with the Principal educational speakers or other complementary elements to our school.

We will be sending more information out about Parents Club and its upcoming elections. In the meantime. please pray for our Parents Club - both the existing and next years - and its success in fulfilling the needs of our school.

To: SJS Parents

From: SJS Parents Club President, Leslie Cosyns

Date: February 18, 2019

Re: Dinner Dance, Volunteer Hours and Fundraising Balances, Spring

Fundraiser

Be Sure to Attend This Year's Dinner Dance! Invite your Friends & Family!

Hello SJS Families! We hope you will be joining us for the upcoming SJS Dinner Dance which is taking place Friday, March 1. This year's theme is "Vintage Circus" and in addition to a fantastic catered filet dinner, beautiful decorations and fantastic one of a kind auction items, we will be entertained during dinner by Cirque Tacular Acrobats! Please consider attending if you haven't already. Tickets are on sale only until February 27 so purchase early – and come join us! Also, who doesn't want to win a European vacation of your choosing? Remember to sell those raffle tickets to friends, family and coworkers. Both the dinner dance, auction and raffle tickets go toward each families fundraising requirements.

Looking for a Spring Fundraiser Chair

Our third fundraiser of the year is our Spring Fundraiser. Traditionally this has been our jog-a-thon but we are also open to new ideas. We are currently looking for 2-3 people to chair this event. Please contact Leslie Cosyns at 232-0771 if you have interest or would like to be on the committee. Chairs of this event will fulfill the volunteer hours requirement for families, and all helpers log their hours in planning and executing that day to count toward this requirement.

Keep Track of Your Volunteer Fundraising & Service Hours for the Year

Each family is responsible for volunteering for 20 service hours per year (10 for single families) and \$200 in fundraising profits. So far our fundraising opportunities have been the fall fundraiser (cookie dough, candy bars, catalogue sales) and the tri-tip fundraiser we had in December. Your fundraising credit is 50% of the total money sold. The Dinner Dance Dinner tickets, purchase or donation (\$25 or more) of auction items, and raffle ticket sales also go toward 50% fundraising credits.

Please consider where you are on your fundraising dollars and service hours for the year. The last opportunity for fundraising will be our spring fundraiser later this year. For the 20 service hours each family earns, the hours must be completed in full in order to not pay a \$400 fee, due to tax law constrictions.

We will be putting out a statement of each families fundraising balances after the conclusion of the dinner dance. If you have any questions, you can contact **Leslie Cosyns** at **232-0771** or **sjsparentsclub@sjoachim.org**.



SJS Parents Club Volunteer Hour Instructions, Hours Opportunities

Instructions for adding your volunteer hours or looking at your hours balance on SchoolSpeak:

To log your volunteer hours in School Speak, or review your hours balance:

- 1.) Click on "St. Joachim School" at the top of the School Speak Page upon logging in
- 2.) Look under the "Quick Link" tab (on the left). There is a Quick Link for "Goal Tracking of Hours" on this page.
- 3.) Click on **Goal Tracking of Hours**, and log each event as it happens, or log your total hours if you are the chair/co chair of an event, room parents, etc. and have met the requirements.

Each family is responsible for logging their hours, even if you have filled out a form at a parent club meeting or field trip, or are a chair of an event or PC or Board member.

How to Earn Service Hours:

Parents Club Board, School Board, Room Parents and Event Chairs (for the larger events only) receive an automatic 20 service hours per year. Field trips receive a maximum of 8 volunteer hours per year.

Service hours opportunities include, to name a few:

Attending parent club meetings

Volunteering in the classroom

Office or school grounds (such as clean up) based on approval of the principal Scholastic Book fair assistance

Graduation, kinder celebration committee or set up/clean up

Christmas Program,

Spelling bee

Yard Duty

Used Uniform Giveaway

Sports Coaches

School Clean up/Refresh

If you have other skills that could assist our school, please contact our school office!

St. Joachim School Yearbook Advertisement/Salutation Information 2018-2019

2/5/2019

Dear SJS Families.

The time has come to start gathering your ideas and pictures for the yearbook. We would like to encourage all families to participate by placing an ad or salutation in the yearbook for that special student or students in your life. Put your thoughts, memories, and pictures into the SJS yearbook and make them last a lifetime! Please keep in mind because of the overwhelming request for advertisements, space this year is limited and will be on a first come, first serve basis.

Information regarding ads:

All ads must be in JPEG form or scannable. Please keep in mind we are happy to offer the option of creating your ad for \$20.00 charge. If you need us to create your ad, please mark the appropriate line below.

Size and pricing: See reverse side. Please keep in mind that prices listed on back will change after March 1st, 2019.

The prices prior 3/1 will be Full Page \$200, Half Page \$100, Quarter Page \$50, Business Card size \$25.

The prices after 3/1 will be Full Page \$250, Half Page \$150, Quarter Page \$100, Business Card size \$75.

Guidelines and Suggestions:

- 1. We can scan your business card for any advertisement.
- 2. Parents, grandparents, aunts, or uncles, you can congratulate your 8th grade graduate or any other special student in your life.
- 3. Ads need to be laid out the size of the ad you chose. JPEG form on a CD is recommended. (Please do not submit Word or PDF files) Original photos are fine. Photocopies do not reproduce well.
- 4. Please include payment for the ad at the time you place your ad. PLEASE NOTE: We must have all ads in by March 1st, 2019. Turn your ad into the front office or email to yearbook@sjoachim.org
- 5. There will be no refunds for ads that are created by us. Please make sure that you stop by to see results.

Yearbook Advertisement Order Form

Date_____

Name: _____ Contact #_____

Child's Name _____ Grade ____

Please select your choice:

Prices prior to 3/1/19 __Full Page Ad \$200 __Half Page Ad \$100 __Quarter Page Ad \$50 __Business Card Size \$25

Prices after to 3/1/19 __Full Page Ad \$250 __Half Page Ad \$150 __Quarter Page Ad 100 __Business Card Size \$75

Total cost \$ _____ Cash (receipt)# _____ Check # _____

Artwork/photo is attached _____Will bring back artwork/photo by March 1st ____Contact me to create ad for \$20 fee

FULL PAGE: \$200.00 (until 3/1/19)

(Price will be \$250.00 after that date)

8 SQUARE BOXES

(6 3/4" x 9")

HALF PAGE: \$100.00 (until 3/1/19)

(Price will be \$150.00 after that date)

4 SQUARE BOXES

(4 ½" x 6 ¾")

QUARTER PAGE:

\$50.00 (until 3/1/19)

(Price will be \$100.00 after that date)

2 SQUARE BOXES

(4 ½" x 3 ¼")

BUSINESS CARD:

\$25.00 (until 3/1/19)

(Price will be \$75.00 after that date)

1 SQUARE BOX

(2" x 3 1/4")

All ads must be in JPEG form (please do not submit word or PDF Files) If you need help. Please keep in mind that we are willing to create your ad.

Ad space may be purchased prior to 3/1/19 and artwork/photos can be turned in by 3/1/19



Please join the St. Joachim 7th and 8th grade classes by participating in our school's CRAZY HAT DAY for Kids Day! Bring a donation for KIDS DAY (cash or check payable to Valley Children's Hospital) and enjoy wearing a CRAZY Hat to school on Tuesday March 5th, 2019.

SJS 7th and 8th graders have been TOP SELLERS in the Central Valley for many years and have won the KIDS DAY Middle School Challenge against many middle schools in the Valley...**Help them win again!**

A benefit for Valley Children's Hospital



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