

Principal's Message

Hello, Saint Joe's!

First, thank you to all of our attendees at Wednesday evening's SJCA Town Hall. A special thanks is extended to Mrs. Kerry Hutchings, Ms. Jennifer Donough, and the parents of the Parent Council for coordinating the social and developing an evening event that was both productive and enjoyed by all. It has been so long since SJCA hosted a Town Hall, and the Board and administration were so proud that over *half* of our SJCA families had representation at this event. Your perspective and insight is so important to us as we take time to review the state of the school, make plans for the future, and take care to collect honest feedback from our stakeholders as we evaluate our day-to-day operations, traditions, and practices.

Thank you in advance to our families who signed up to assist Mr. Mike this weekend with the SJCA Fall Family Cleanup. It is a real blessing to have a community that is so generous and giving of their time, talent, and treasure. We thank you for helping us ready the campus for the fall and winter season. Have a peaceful weekend, Saint Joe's! Saint Joseph, Pray for Us!

Peace to you,
Anna L. Rupprecht

THIS WEEK

October 21st: Last day of quarter 1 – This marks the **final day** for students to submit assignments and complete any outstanding work before the end of the first quarter grading period.

October 23rd: Pep Rally – Volleyball, cross country, and golf are all heading into the postseason, and we will celebrate their accomplishments at Wednesday's pep rally! Get ready for some friendly House competition, school spirit, and more!

October 25th: \$5 Dress Down Day – Students can wear casual clothing instead of their uniforms for a fee of \$5. This day's funds will benefit a local family close to Junior Jacee Cunningham. As the family has incurred some recent medical expenses, our help will go a long way in dealing with this hardship. Remember to adhere to the out-of-uniform dress code!

THIS MONTH

10/30: Movie Night 6-9 p.m. in Student Union

10/31: House Halloween Contests

11/1: Mass on Friday (All Saints Day)

Schedule Changes (for All Saints Mass)

10/28: 8 pd. w/ Homeroom

10/29: 8 pd. w/ Chapel

10/30: 8 pd. w/ Homeroom

10/31: Even Block w/ Halloween

11/1: Odd Block w/ Mass



Joe Talks

This past month, we kicked off Joe Talks: every first and third Wednesday, during house time, the students will have the opportunity to hear from an array of guest speakers on a number of subjects.

This "speaker series" was a part of Saint Joe's years ago, and this year we are bringing it back, rebranded after the popular "Ted Talks." Speakers will address students in the SLC, on subjects and topics meant to extend and enrich classroom lessons. Our first speaker, Jeremy Fegert, is a senior manager of enterprise learning at Baker Tilly, a top 10 accounting firm in the country. Mr. Fegert's message was centered on pursuing excellence. He highlighted the key skills of Self-Awareness, Skill Development, and Continuous Improvement.

Parents, Joe Talks are a great dinner conversation... Ask your students what they took away from these speakers' presentations!

HiFIVE FRIDAY

This Friday, students and faculty members participated in the Jostens Renaissance's "High Five Fridays", an initiative in which individuals high five each other to spread school spirit. On the Saint Joe's campus, positivity was spread one high-five at a time! Pictured: Mr. Hergenreder and sophomore Elizabeth Eby share a laugh as they reach to give each other a high five.



Lately at St. Joseph's...

Thank you to all those who came out to our St. Joseph's Catholic Academy Town Hall! This summit was for current parents and families, and any community members, parents, or parishioners of any of our neighboring schools or churches. It was helpful to hear your questions and concerns. We'll take your thoughts in consideration as we lay out our plan for the future of St. Joseph's!



SJCA Writing Club has a website! They are releasing their quarterly magazine publication at the end of October. Previous publications from last year are listed under the "Portfolio" tab. Be on the lookout for their release!

The Music Ministry trio of Dr. Mazur, Adonai Weaverling, and Grace Reynolds help move our souls by "twice praying through song" at weekly mass. This week's music selections included "Lord I Need You" and "Battle Belongs"!



Congratulations to Mrs. and Mr. Moore as they prepare to welcome a new member of the family this month! At this week's Chapel, the two were presented with a gift basket generously put together by our Parent Council.

Class Spotlight: Intro to Engineering went on a field trip to X-Hab 3D, a 3D concrete printing company with ties to Penn State College of Engineering. Students learned about cement 3d printing, mostly used in building houses and structures. X-Hab has done projects for NASA, DARPA, and Habitat for Humanity. Students were able to get a behind the scenes tour at the company.



This week house chaplains celebrated Mass in the Columbus Chapel, a yearly tradition carried on by the State College Knights of Columbus. Other worshippers came from the community, and enjoyed a tour of the chapel and a social in the Boal Mansion ballroom. A special thanks to Fr. Joachim, OSB for celebrating Mass with us this year.



House Chaplains Karimar Henriquez (12), Abel Reynolds (11), Thomas Rokita (11), and Caleb Foytack (10) represented SJCA on this holy occasion.

The Knights of Columbus will be holding a spaghetti dinner on Wednesday evening, October 30 at the OLV Parish Activity Center. The beneficiary of this dinner is Voice of Divine Mercy, a Catholic radio station. The Knights would like help with set-up, serving food, and cleanup. Depending on what you do, can receive several hours of community service for this event. **If you would like to volunteer, please email Dr. Mazur at mmazur@sjcacademy.org.**





Volleyball

Volleyball closed their season with a hard fought loss against Williamsburg, but have made districts! They will play in the first round, date and time TBA.



Soccer

Soccer closed out their season with a close 3-1 loss to Montgomery Area on Monday.



Cross Country

Cross Country did not compete this week, but they compete at districts and states in a couple of weeks! Look out for more info to come.



Golf

Maddie and Olivia Koshko look to clinch the girls individual PIAA state title during the championships this week!

This Week



Volleyball

10/19 - JV @ Nitanny Valley
Centre Jack-o-Lantern Jam
Tournament



Golf

10/21-10/22 -10/23
PIAA State Championships



FAMILIES OF CHARACTER PRESENT: **TEAM FAMILY** FALL CATHOLIC FAMILY RETREAT

Two-Day Retreat:

November 15th: 6:30 - 8:30pm

November 16th: 9am - 3pm

Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy Campus

901 Boalsburg Pike, Boalsburg, PA, 16827

\$65 per couple

Complementary childcare provided!

For more information, email arupprecht@sjcacademy.org or call 814-808-6188

TOPICS COVERED:

Huddle Up for Peace + Unity: A Weekly Family Huddle

A program that is transformative for your marriage and family! You'll learn how to get into this new habit, right away!

Leading Together: How to Strengthen Your Marriage to Coach Your Family Well

Learn how to reconnect and rekindle your marriage with a 90 second encounter each day.

Prioritizing the Critical Few from the Trivial Many

Learn how to prioritize family huddles, connect as a couple and say NO to the things that don't move the team down the field.



**FEATURING JORDAN LANGDON,
CATHOLIC MOM AND CEO**



**CHECK OUT FAMILIES
OF CHARACTER!**



COMING UP IN NOVEMBER



- 11/ 2-4:** FBLA Leadership Conference
- 11/5:** OLV 7th and 8th graders visit SJCA
- 11/6:** Joe Talks (English)
- 11/8:** Faith Pillar Day
- 11/10:** Start of Discovering Catholic Schools Week
- 11/12:** Open House
- 11/15:** Class v. Class Dodgeball

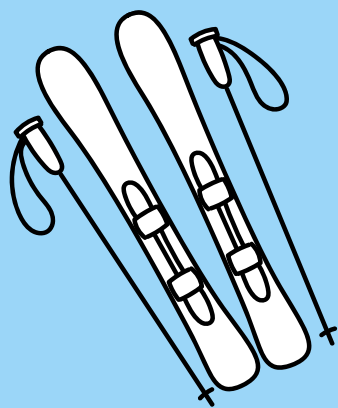
- 11/20:** Joe Talks (Foreign Languages)
- 11/21:** Giving Together (Donor Dinner)
- 11/22:** \$3 Dress Down Day
- 11/25-26:** Musical Workshops
- 11/26:** Turkey Bowl
- 11/27-30:** Thanksgiving Break

Schedule Changes (11/25-11/26)

Nov 25- 8 pd. w/ Homeroom
 Nov 26- 8 pd. w/ Chapel

Lunch Menu

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
21	22	23	24	25
Bread Bowls Soup Salad Bar	Boneless Wings Waffle Fries Salad Bar	Lasagna Rolls French Bread Salad Bar	Cheesy Omelets Breakfast Potatoes Sausage Cinnamon Rolls	Stromboli Bread Sticks Salad Bar Ice Cream Cups



Tickets are now live for Tussey Mountain! Join the Ski Club at Tussey Friday 4-6! If you get a independent season pass, you can register it as part of the SJCA Ski Club to support our numbers! If anyone has questions they should reach out to Mrs. Moore at amoore@sjcacademy.org.



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