



Principal's Parent Newsletter

October 19, 2025

FACULTY UPDATE

Welcome to Mrs. Marianne McDonald our new Aide for Pre-K 3. Mrs. McDonald has a BA degree from Rowan University and certification in Elementary Education. She was a substitute teacher at St. Joseph Regional School in Somers Point, NJ and Our Lady of Perpetual Help School in New Albany, Indiana. She and her family are members of St. John Neumann Parish, Bryn Mawr.

FAMILY MASS

Mark your calendar for the next Family Mass on **Sunday, November 16**, at 10:30 a.m. Students in grades 8, 1, 4, Pre-K 4B will assist with the readings, Offertory, greeters, and ushers. All SSPJ School families are invited to join us for Mass.

OPEN HOUSE - 11/16/25

The Open House will follow the 10:30 Mass and will run until 12:30. We invite all school families to attend the Open House and encourage you to invite other families who are interested in Catholic education for their children.

ALTAR SERVERS

Thank you for your commitment to serve at school and parish Masses. Please be sure to check with Ms. Deirdre Hanley to serve at the weekend Masses.

The new members have been trained and will be serving at school Masses.

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Each homeroom teacher will be sending out a Sign-Up Genius to the parents of their students. Most conferences will take place on Thursday, 10/23 after school (3:15 – 7:00 p.m.) and on Friday, 10/24 in the morning. Some teachers have added morning and after school dates throughout the week depending on their availability. Middle school students are expected to attend the conference with their parents.

SSPJ SPIRIT DAY

10/22 – SSPJ Spirit Day
Be sure to wear your SSPJ Spirit wear!
Shirts with PE shorts or sweats
Go PANTHERS!

STOCK MARKET CLUB

Thank you to Mr. Shane Wilkerson who will be running the Stock Market Club again this year. Please see the flyer with sign up information and days/times for meeting in the library.

After School Car Pick Up

Reminder: Please display your family name card on the front passenger window. This helps the teachers who are calling family names via their Walkie-Talkies into the cafeteria. Thank you!

TRUNK OR TREAT

All are welcome to participate in our annual Trunk or Treat on Friday in the large school parking lot, October 24. This is a fun time for all the families. Children (and adults) dress in their Halloween costumes and families decorate their car/truck trunks and share lots of candy. Each decorated trunk has a chance to win. Decorations can be simple or elaborate, homemade or from Amazon.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BOO-BASH

This is a fun Halloween party/dance for SSPJ students in grades 6, 7, 8. Each student can invite a friend with appropriate permission form submitted. The Boo-Bash will be on Saturday, Oct. 25 in the cafeteria.

HALLOWEEN PARADE

The Pre-K and Kindergarten classes will have their annual Halloween parade on October 31st at 1:15 p.m. Students in grades 1 – 8 will cheer on our youngest Panthers.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Our SCA will be sponsoring a Halloween Accessory Day on Friday, October 31. The money donations collected will be sent to Annunciation School and Parish in Minnesota. Let us continue to pray for all the families and students who experienced the shooting at their school Mass. May God bring them healing and peace!

Volunteers Needed

There are several slots available to help in the Phone Room. If you can help for a two-hour slot, please contact Mrs. Holly Monteith who is coordinating the schedule.

hollymontty@gmail.com

Times: 8:00 – 10:00 a.m.
10:00 – 12:00 noon
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

WINTER UNIFORM

Students can begin changing to the winter uniform. The date to change is Monday, November 3, since All Saints' Day, 11/1, is a Saturday.

CYO MASS AND PIZZA

All those who participated in fall sports for CYO are invited to attend the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Sunday, October 26, 2025. A pizza dinner for families will follow in the cafeteria. Look for the sign up from CYO.

Fun Run Donations – Last Chance

[2025 Annual SSPJ Fun Run](#)