



A Letter from Mr Taylor

What a joy it is to see so much life in our building once again! Our classrooms and hallways are, learning, and the wonderful energy that comes from having our students back together. I would like to extend a heartfelt thank-you to our incredible staff for all of the time, effort, and preparation they put in last week to make our classrooms welcoming, inviting, and ready for a new school year. Their dedication is evident throughout our building, and we are blessed to have such a committed faculty and staff caring for our students.

Yesterday, our students in grades 3-8 gathered together in the presence of our Lord to ask for His forgiveness for any sins committed. Father Jason led our students through the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, while our teachers helped guide students to the confessionals. It was a beautiful way for us to begin the school year with a clear conscience and open hearts as we prepared for our first all-school liturgy this morning. Father Sebastian led us in a lively and spiritual Mass, and we were blessed to hear the angelic voices of our Children's Choir. Near the conclusion of Mass, all of our students and staff received a special blessing for the upcoming school year. What a wonderful way to begin our journey together!

I hope to see all of you at our Back 2 School Party tonight, sponsored by our wonderful P/SA! This is always a fantastic evening filled with music, food, games, laughter, and great company.

Bring your chairs, come relax on the South Lawn, and enjoy some time together as an SJB family. The fun begins at 6:00 p.m.

And don't forget to stop by the school parking lot tomorrow for a spotless car wash in support of our 8th grade class! The car wash will run from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. So bring your dirty cars and let our 8th graders work their magic while helping raise funds for their class. Your car may never forgive you for bringing it, but your 8th grader certainly will!

Finally, mark your calendars for next Wednesday, when we will host our annual Curriculum Night at SJB. All parents and families are welcome to meet our teachers and learn more about the wonderful things they have planned for the upcoming school year. Following the event, there will be a mandatory meeting for all 7th- and 8th-grade parents from 7:30 to 8:00 p.m.

I hope you all have an amazing weekend! Thank you for helping make the beginning of this school year such a wonderful one. I look forward to seeing many of you tonight at our Back 2 School Party on the South Lawn beginning at 6:00 p.m. Let's enjoy some food, fun, fellowship, and the beginning of another great year together!

Important Dates

August 28th - Back to School Night (6:00 pm - 9:00 pm on the South Lawn)

August 31st - P/SA meeting (6:30 pm- 7:30 pm in Room 2)

September 2nd - Curriculum Night (6:00 pm - 7:30 pm)

- Required 7th and 8th Grade parent meeting (7:30 pm -8:00 pm)

September 7th - No School - Labor Day

September 14th - Athletic Board Meeting (6:30 pm -7:30 pm in Room 2)

September 15th - School Photos

September 21st - 7th Grade Field Trip to Camp Duncan

September 25th - No School - SJB Staff Professional Development

October 1st - October 4th - SJB Oktoberfest & Carnival



SJB's 8th Grade Class Fundraiser

Ice Cream Social

Join us on Friday, August 28th
3-4 PM
in the PMC

- \$3 for 1 scoop sundae
- \$5 for 2 scoops sundae
- \$2 for popsicles
- \$3 root beer floats
- *All sundaes come with
your choice of toppings





ST. JOHN BREBEUF "CLASS OF 2027" FUNDRAISER - FRIDAY 8/28

Half Dozen \$20

Dozen \$32

Single Donuts \$3 - \$5

FLASH SALE: 6 PM TO 7 PM
PRE-ORDER PICKUP: 6 PM TO 9 PM

**PRE-ORDER
NOW**



Get ready for a delicious Friday night treat! The St. John Brebeuf "Class of 2027" is hosting a Do-Rite Donuts Fundraiser on Friday, August 28! Stock up on some of Chicago's favorite donuts while supporting our 8th-grade class. Grab a half dozen for \$20, a dozen for \$32, or individual donuts for \$3–\$5. Don't miss the Flash Sale from 6:00–7:00 PM, and pre-order pickup will be available from 6:00–9:00 PM. Pre-order now, bring your sweet tooth, and help the Class of 2027 reach its fundraising goals!

https://portal.tripleseat.com/direct_bookings/nt4yv4sx8rvgl/type



Drop-Off Procedures

Please see the diagrams below for drop-off and pick-up procedures. **During morning drop-off, students should wait until the vehicle has reached the front of the line to exit.** With three lanes of traffic, we are responsible for the safety of all students. Also,

please be courteous to our fellow school families. Students should exit the car as quickly as possible once the vehicle has reached the front of the line. Also, if you need to assist your child during drop-off, please use the first two lanes. We would like a lane 3 (closest to Harlem Avenue) to move quickly. If you would like to walk with your child or have more time to wish him/her well before school, please park in the church parking lot.

After school, all students will be dismissed through the front entrances of the building. Preschool through second grade will continue to leave through the main doors.

Students in grades three through eight will leave from the garden doors near the PMC.

Our front parking lot will remain open, and cars can now enter and exit at any time.

Please use caution when walking through this parking lot.

The patrol will no longer be stationed in the front parking lot after school; instead, they will be stationed near the church driveway. Also, please pass this information to any family or friend who may pick up your child.

Please note that our safety patrol is only present to guide students and families while crossing the driveway outside the church. They are dismissed around 3:05 pm. It is the families' responsibility to supervise their child(ren) once their classes are dismissed for the day.



Save the Date



Athletics



Ready to run, have fun, and represent SJB? Cross-country is a great way to get active, challenge yourself, make new friends, and be part of a team! Students interested in joining Cross Country should complete the registration form and submit the required \$30 family athletic fee by Friday, August 28, 2026. New athletes must also complete the Athletic Registration Form, and all

students must have an annual physical form on file with the school office. Please place the registration materials and payment in an envelope marked “Cross Country” and send it to your child’s homeroom. Lace up, get moving, and let’s have a great Cross Country season!



School Uniforms



Our school partners with Schoolbelles for all St. John Brebeuf school uniforms. The Schoolbelles store is conveniently located in the Harlem-Foster Shopping Center at 7320 West Foster Avenue in Chicago, where families can shop for uniforms in person. Uniforms may also be purchased online at www.schoolbelles.com. When ordering online, please use our school code **S1333** to ensure you are shopping from the correct school uniform selection.

Kiddos Lunch



We're excited to offer Kiddos school lunch service to our families. Get ready for an easy, flexible lunch option featuring lots of freshly prepared, restaurant-quality lunches every day.

To reach your school's ordering page and access all the lunch program information you need, **use the direct school page link below.**

www.kiddoscatering.com/sjb

Have lunch questions?

Kiddos is happy to help at support@kiddoscatering.com.

Parish News



Please click [here](#) to visit our parish website

ST. JOHN BREBEUF CHURCH

Holy Masses:

Liturgical Services

Sunday:

In English: 5:00 PM (Vigil Mass), 8:30 am, 10:00 am, 6:00 pm

In Polish: 6:30 pm (Vigil Mass) 7:00 am, 11:30 am

During the week

Monday-Saturday: In English - 8:30 am, 7 pm (Tuesday, Thursday)

In Polish - 7:00 pm (Monday, Wednesday, Friday)

Other devotions and services:

Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament: 24/7 (access with the key tag)

Rosary: During the week after the 8:30 am Mass

First Friday of the Month: Confession at 8:00 am , 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
and Adoration after 8:30 am Mass

Confessions: Monday-Friday 6:30 pm ; Saturday 4 pm

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - every Wednesday after 8:30 am
Mass

First Saturday of the Month Devotion - after 8:30 am mass

Family Mass - Third Sunday of the month at 11 am

Fillipino Mass - Fourth Sunday of the month at 10 am

REP program - every Thursday from 6 pm to 7:30 pm

Periodic Services:

Stations of the Cross, Fatima Devotions (May-October),

Corpus Christi Procession, Ash Wednesday, Holy Triduum, Simbang Gabi,
Christmas Midnight Mass, Three Kings Parade, etc. - you can find all the
information in our bulletin, facebook, instagram, and on our website:

www.sjbrebeuf.org



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Looking Ahead to High School



BE A SHAMROCK FOR A DAY

FUTURE SHAMROCK DAYS

[REGISTER HERE](#)

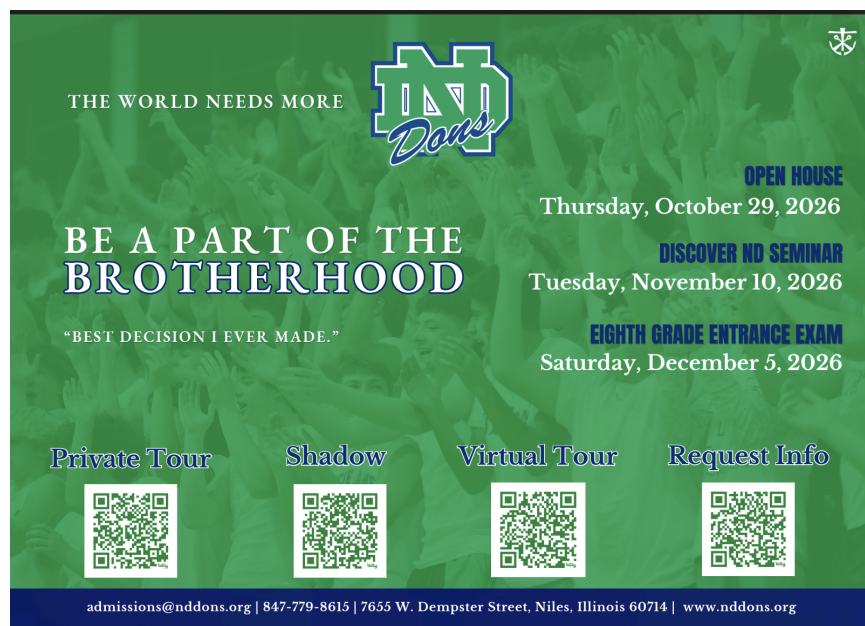
Future Shamrock Days are a great way for students to experience firsthand what it is like to be a Shamrock and get their first dose of our unique and unforgettable Shamrock Pride! Each year in the fall, we offer Future Shamrock Days for current 8th-grade boys only. 7th-grade boys are invited to shadow in the spring and are encouraged to return in the fall as 8th graders for a more in-depth day.

During Future Shamrock Days, potential students are paired up with a current Shamrock involved in classes and activities similar to the prospective student's interests. Sometimes, requests are made regarding a specific shadow partner, and we do try to honor those requests. To ensure every future Shamrock has the best possible experience, we limit the number of shadow visits each day. Please reserve your son's shadow day at least 48 hours in advance.



Shadow Days give 7th- and 8th-grade girls the chance to experience life as a Bandit by attending classes, meeting teachers and students, and exploring campus to see what makes RES feel like home. Registration is now open, so take this opportunity to spend a day at Resurrection and discover why your journey begins here. Please reach out to our Admissions Team at cdolatowski@reshs.org with any questions.

Click Here to Register

A green-themed promotional graphic for Notre Dame College Prep. The background features a crowd of people with their hands raised. At the top left, the text "THE WORLD NEEDS MORE" is above the Notre Dame "ND" logo with "Dons" written in script below it. In the top right corner is a small Notre Dame cross logo. The central text reads "BE A PART OF THE BROTHERHOOD" in large, bold, white letters, with the quote "BEST DECISION I EVER MADE." underneath. To the right, three events are listed: "OPEN HOUSE" on Thursday, October 29, 2026; "DISCOVER ND SEMINAR" on Tuesday, November 10, 2026; and "EIGHTH GRADE ENTRANCE EXAM" on Saturday, December 5, 2026. At the bottom, four options are listed: "Private Tour", "Shadow", "Virtual Tour", and "Request Info", each with a corresponding QR code. The footer contains contact information: "admissions@nddons.org | 847-779-8615 | 7655 W. Dempster Street, Niles, Illinois 60714 | www.nddons.org".

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Our shadow days are the best way to explore Notre Dame College Prep as a prospective student. Your son will have the opportunity to spend a full day with a current Notre Dame Don. He will sit in on our classes, experience the school day schedule, try the lunch food, and get a feel for what being a Notre Dame Don is all about. Our goal for the shadow day program is to give your son a real glimpse of what a day at Notre Dame College Prep looks like.

This year, we are excited to offer a few additional opportunities during our shadow days. On Tuesday shadow days, please mark the box below if you would like to take a tour of our campus after dropping your son off to shadow. We would ask you to please be at ND by 8:30 a.m. for your school tour, and it should last around 30 minutes. While you take a tour with one of our enrollment team members, your son will be prepped for his shadow day.

On three of our Friday shadow dates (September 18, September 25, October 16), we will have "Coffee with the President and Principal." Families are invited to arrive at 8:15 a.m. and join our team in the cafeteria for coffee and donuts. Our admissions team will get the boys ready for their shadow day, and parents will be welcome to stay and hear from our leadership team.

[Schedule your Shadow Day here](#)



Shadow Program

At Loyola Academy, the best way to understand who we are is to experience it for yourself. Our Shadow Program invites prospective students to walk alongside current Ramblers, engage in classroom activities, and immerse themselves in the rhythm of a typical school day—gaining authentic insight into life at Loyola.

The shadow day begins at 7:30 a.m. and concludes at 2:15 p.m. Students should enter through the main entrance and proceed to the Marillac Room (Room 250). Pickup will take place at 2:15 p.m. in the visitors' pickup line.

To register for a Shadow Day, log in to your My Loyola account. If you do not yet have a My Loyola account, please begin by submitting an Inquiry Form.

Some elementary schools coordinate group shadow days at Loyola for eighth-grade students. If your school has a designated date, please register for that date. If the date is full, you are welcome to select another OPEN date at least five days in advance.

[Click here to learn more](#)

REGISTER NOW AT [GORAMBLERS.ORG/EXPERIENCE-LA!](https://goramblers.org/experience-la/)

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JR. HIGH VIP FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

CHECK-IN: 5 PM
KICK-OFF: 6 PM

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH

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JR. HIGH VIP

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7 PM



FLAG FOOTBALL EVENT





Shadow Days

This upcoming Fall, we invite prospective students in the 8th grade to join us for a Shadow Day! Prospective students will be paired with a current student and have the opportunity to experience our all-girls, Catholic college preparatory environment and what it means to be a Panther.

[Register for a Shadow Day!](#)



THINKING
ABOUT
JOINING
THE
PACK?

JOIN US ON CAMPUS AND DISCOVER YOUR
FUTURE AT SAINT IGNATIUS COLLEGE PREP!

The graphic features a photograph of two young women smiling in a school hallway. One woman is wearing a green shirt and the other a black shirt. A large maroon text box is overlaid on the right side of the photo. In the top right corner of the graphic is the Saint Ignatius College Prep logo, which is a circular emblem with a cross and the text "SAINT IGNATIUS COLLEGE PREP" and "CHICAGO 1869".

Join the Pack for a day and experience life as a Saint Ignatius student!

Our Shadow Program is an opportunity for prospective students to experience firsthand why Saint Ignatius College Prep is a truly special place. Students attend daily classes, lunch, and other activities that their student-host has for the day. The Shadow Program is open to 8th-grade students only and runs from early September through mid-November.

Please click [here](#) to register for a Shadow Day!

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