



St. John Brebeuf School

Weekly Parent Newsletter

September 12, 2025

A Letter from Mr. Taylor

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I can hardly believe it—our annual Oktoberfest and Carnival is less than a week away! Excitement is building, and I hope to see all of our families there. If you haven't already, I encourage you to purchase a Mega Pass wristband. The pass is good for the entire weekend (all four days!) at the carnival—what a deal!

Our Oktoberfest officially opens on Friday evening, complete with delicious food and drinks. This year's menu has something for everyone: Bratwurst, Polish Sausage, Hot Dogs, Potato Pancakes, Pancit, Egg Rolls, and so much more. Bring your family, invite your friends, and join us in supporting our school while enjoying a fun-filled weekend. Please note that this event is open to the public.

This past week, our altar servers participated in valuable training with Father Sebastian. He guided them through the proper actions that take place during Mass. I want to thank Father Sebastian for sharing his time and wisdom, as well as our students and families for their dedication and service to the Church.

If your child loves to sing, I encourage them to join our children's choir. Their voices bring joy and spirit to every Mass they serve, and more details about joining can be found further in this newsletter.

As always, thank you for your continued support of St. John Brebeuf School. Wishing you and your family a blessed and joyful weekend.

Sincerely,
Mr. Adam Taylor
Principal

Important Dates to remember:

September 15th - Altar Server training (9:15 am - 9:45 am)

September 18th-21st - SJB Carnival and Oktoberfest

September 26th - No School - Staff Professional Development

- 8th-grade Shadow Day at St. Pat's and Regina Dominican

September 28th - Our Lady of Guadalupe Retreat (Mandatory for 8th grade; optional for 7th grade)

September 30th - Midtrimester

October 1st - P/SA Meeting at 6:30 pm in Room 2

October 3rd - Grandparents Day mass and reception

- Walkathon

October 9th - School Photos

- Parent Sacramental Meeting for 2nd and 8th-grade parents

October 10th - No School - Staff Professional Development

October 13th - No School - Columbus/Indigenous Peoples' Day

October 17th - 8th-grade Shadow Day at Notre Dame and Resurrection

October 18th - P/SA Halloween Event (5:00 pm - 8:00 pm)

October 22nd - 8th-grade Shadow Day at Loyola Academy

October 23rd - October 31st - Red Ribbon Week

2025 SJB Carnival and Oktoberfest

St. John Brebeuf



Thursday, September 19th - 5:00 pm - 10:30 pm

Friday, September 20th - 5:00 pm - 10:30 pm

Saturday, September 21st - 12:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Sunday, September 22nd - 12:30 - 10:00 pm



[Click here to sign up and volunteer](#)

If you or your business would like to sponsor the event, please click [here](#) to download the sponsorship form.

Carnival Wristband Early Bird Sale



St. John Brebeuf Carnival
September 18th - 21st
Mega Pass Order Form

This pass is good for unlimited rides at the *All Around Amusement Carnival* for all four days, from opening until closing. **Please return this form to the school office** and you will receive a Mega Pass voucher that must be exchanged for a wristband when you arrive at the carnival. The *All Around Amusement* employee will secure the wristband, which cannot be removed until closing night.

Absolutely no transfers of the band are allowed to anyone else or you will lose your band and no refund will be given. Some rides have height/age restrictions and will not be appropriate for every rider. The wristband entitles the bearer to unlimited rides but you must wait in ride lines. Preferential line position is not given to anyone, with or without the wristband. *SOME ATTRACTIONS MAY NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE MEGA PASS*

If the wristband must be removed (sports, dance, etc.) Please remove it while at home, place it in a secure location, and return it to the specified location at the carnival to receive a replacement wristband. If you do not bring the old wristband back, you will not receive a replacement band. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!

WE USE WATER-RESISTANT WRISTBANDS THAT CAN BE SUBMERGED IN WATER

No refunds on MEGA PASS after it is purchased for any reason, including, but not limited to:
Weather Ride Selection Illness Rides down for maintenance
Stapled or taped wristband Any other method of securing a wristband other than the way it was placed on the wrist originally Loss of Advance Sales Unlimited Ride Ticket wristband

BY PLACING MY NAME TO THIS FORM, I AGREE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS STATED ABOVE. _____ (Please initial)

Name of Wearer: _____

Phone: _____

Age: _____

Email: _____

Amount Paid: _____



FORMS MUST BE RETURNED BY WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

[Click here to download the order form](#)

Drop Off Procedure

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 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.

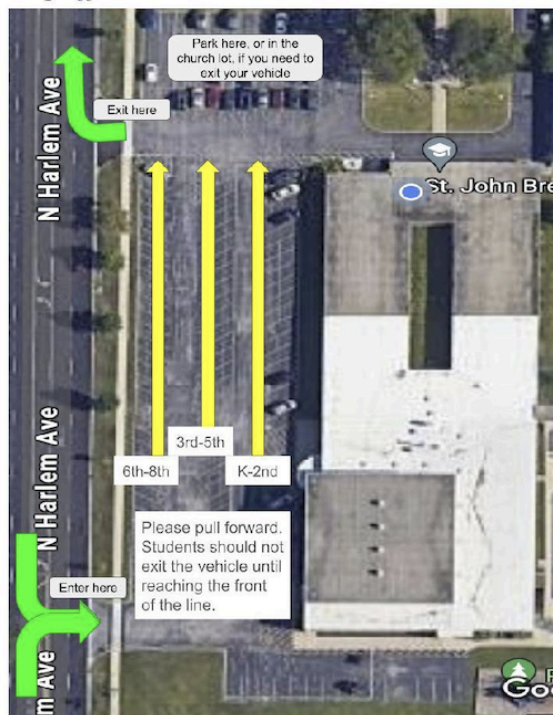
Students in grades three through eight will leave from the garden doors near the PMC.

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, 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.



School Safety Patrol



September 15th- September 19th

Green Team

Liana A

Cruz T

Nico T

Zac T

Please arrive at school no later than 7:55 am each day.

Thank you for helping keep our school community safe.

Athletics

2025 SJB Basketball Registration



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2025

BASKETBALL

PLEASE REGISTER BY
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 BY
CLICKING HERE!

Click on the image to register

Kiddos Lunch Program



We're excited to kick off another year of Kiddos Lunches!

In case the lunch info from school hasn't made its way to you yet, we didn't want you to miss out:

Lunch ordering is now open, but you only have until Wednesday next week
(September 17th at midnight to place your lunch orders

Returning Kiddos Customer?

Remember to **create a new account** at the start of each school year, so we have the most up-to-date information, including grade, teachers, etc.

The attached **Kiddos Ordering Flyer for 2025** has all the details you'll need to order, along with the **Restaurant Info Flyer**, with the fresh and scratch-made scoop on the restaurants serving your school.

If we can help with anything at all, please let us know at support@kiddoscatering.com

Order Now

Ready For a Break?

Here's How to Order Lunches!

First things first... **Order, Change or Cancel** → **By Wednesdays at Midnight, for the next week's lunches.**

- 1 Head to Your School's Lunch Page**
Click here: www.kiddoscatering.com/sfb
Tip: Bookmark this on your computer or save to your phone's home screen.
- 2 Create A New Account**
Everyone starts fresh each school year so we have the most up-to-date info about your family, like your child's grade and your contact information.
- 3 Let Us Email You**
We send follow-up emails from Kiddos, we only send what matters: reminders, lunch service notices, and updates.
- 4 Place Your Lunch Order**
For the easiest ordering view, click on the "Student Calendar" tab located on the top left of the order form.
- 5 Export Your Order to Your Device Calendar**
Go to the History Tab
Select Download Calendar

Quick Tips

Menus & Pricing: Click the name of a menu item (not the checkbox) to see its description and price.
Included Sides: Want to see what sides are included? Click the "Sides" link under the restaurant name.

Have questions? We're here to help! Email: support@kiddoscatering.com
Call: 775-360-8081

Lunch service you'll love, every day.

A Fresh & Modern Approach

We bring school lunch service out of the dark ages with tons of fresh and scratch-made menu choices **every day**, including healthy options, from the neighborhood restaurants you already love and trust.

Real Relief—When You Need It

With so many daily food choices, you can always find something your kids will eat and love, so you can use the service any time you need.

- Enjoyment Guarantee:** If lunch isn't loved, it's credited—really!
- Flexible Online Ordering:** Order, change, or cancel week to week.
- One Easy Ordering Screen:** Order for all kids and all dates, on one screen.
- Calendar Integration:** Sync your lunch orders to your calendar with one click.
- All-Inclusive Meals:** All available sides included with every lunch.
- Affordable:** Costs less than if you ordered from a lunch delivery service.

Passport to the World
Same journey, different path.

Passport to the World was created to give kids a fun, engaging way to explore life in other countries, highlighting the similarities in our daily routines while sparking curiosity about new cultures, foods, and places. Follow along on Instagram or Facebook.

Let's Collab! We'd love the menu to reflect what your family enjoys, so let us know your restaurant and entree preferences.

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Every day easier.
Every lunch yummier.
Everyone happier.

KIDDOS
we get lunch

Inside Kiddos Lunches

The fresh and scratch-made scoop on the restaurants serving your school.



Buona

Buona's menu features scratch-made recipes crafted from premium ingredients, including all-natural chicken with no antibiotics, fresh pastas (not dried) with house-made sauces, and pizzas made from hand-rolled dough and premium cheeses.

Culver's

Culver's menu features fresh beef and all-white meat hand-breaded chicken tenders. They're committed to sourcing the best ingredients to prepare meals that are not only delicious, but also fresh.

Panda's

Panda's chef's wok-cook every meal in small batches using fresh-cut veggies and real ingredients, no high-fructose corn syrup, ever. Their scratch-made approach captures bold flavor, aroma, and signature "Wick Heat" with every bite.

Lou Malati's

Every Lou Malati's pizza is handmade from scratch with the finest and freshest ingredients. Each year, the team hand-selects California vine-ripened tomatoes for the perfect sweet and tangy taste, and their fresh mozzarella comes from the same small dairy partner of over 40 years.

Potbelly

Potbelly crafts every sandwich to order, starting with fresh-baked Tusano bread. Premium meats, cheeses, crisp veggies, and house-made sauces are prepared fresh, while cookies are baked in shop daily for that irresistible taste.

Panera

Panera brings cozy comfort with warm sandwiches, freshly made soups, crisp salads, and bakery favorites. Everything is crafted with clean ingredients and tender, responsibly raised chicken for food that's wholesome, flavorful, and feel good.

ZUPAS

Cafe Zupas preps fresh, premium ingredients every morning for their scratch-made soups and sandwiches, pairing them into wholesome combos kids love to eat.

California Pizza Kitchen

California Pizza Kitchen is known for its creative, California-style pizzas along with bold salads and pastas. Every dish is made with premium toppings that are hand-cut and prepared fresh in-store each day.



Every day easier.

Every lunch yummiier.

Everyone happier.



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Epic Burger

Epic Burger focuses on "a more mindful burger," serving all-natural and halal beef and chicken options made without processed ingredients, a fresh, flavorful take on a classic.

Fajita Petes

Fajita Petes serves fresh, flame-grilled fajitas with homemade tortillas and sides like rice, beans, and queso, all scratch-made for bold Tex-Mex flavor.

Jet's

Jet's Detroit-style pizza starts with fresh dough handmade daily from a proprietary flour blend, baked in custom steel pans for a light, airy center and crispy, caramelized crust. Their Jet Fuel sauce is made from high-quality vine-ripened tomatoes.

Giordano's

Giordano's signature mozzarella is made exclusively for them by Wisconsin cheesemakers, aged to perfection and shredded fresh daily. Their pizza sauce is prepared in-house each day from hand-picked tomatoes.



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Kind regards,

Kiddos Lunch Team

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School Uniforms



We are partnering with Schoolbellies for our school and PE uniforms. The items can be ordered online or by visiting the Schoolbellies store located at 7246 West Foster Avenue, in the Harlem-Foster Shopping Center. PE uniforms are now required for all students in Kindergarten through eighth grade. The uniforms should be worn all day

on PE days. If you have not received your PE uniform at the beginning of the school year, students may wear black or navy blue shorts (or sweatpants), with a black or navy blue t-shirt (or crew neck sweatshirt). Hoodies are not allowed. All students are expected to be in full uniform as soon as possible. Please visit our website [here](#) for more information.

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Become an Altar Server



BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER. We invite all children who have received the First Holy Communion to join our Altar Servers! Please, go to our website sjbrebeuf.org, download the registration form, fill it out, and send it to Fr. Sebastian - szebrowski@sjbrebeuf.org

St. John Brebeuf Children's Choir

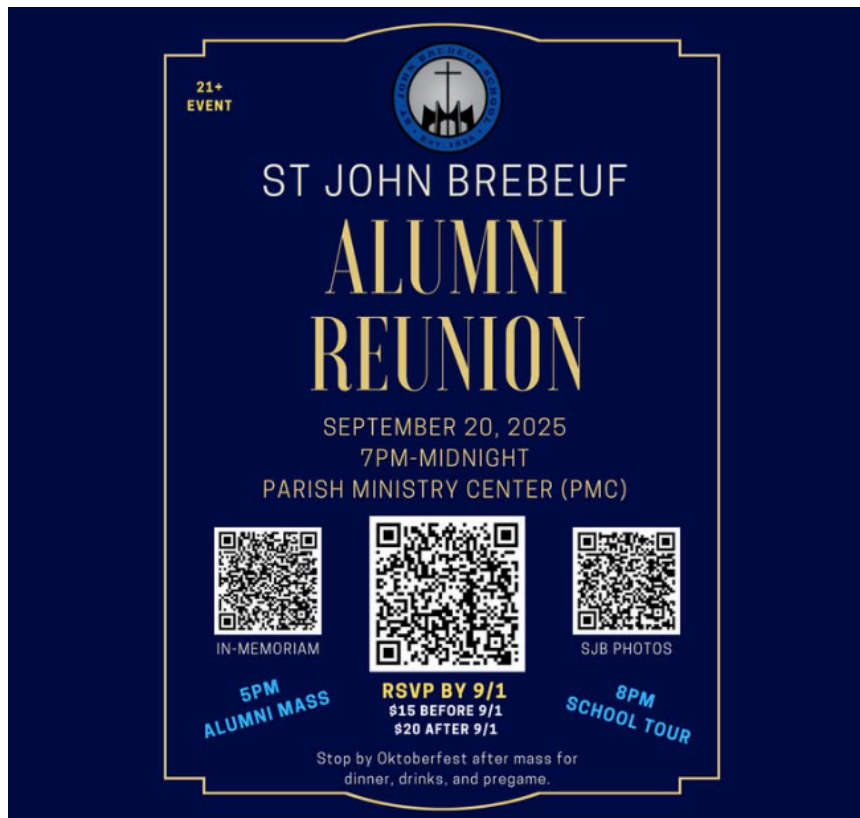
Love to sing? Want to have fun with friends while praising God? The Children's Choir is open to all 3rd–8th graders! It's a great way to share your voice, bring joy to others, and grow in faith. Check out the information packet linked below to learn more.

Grades 3 & 4 practice on Tuesdays at 2:00 pm

Grades 5-8 practice at 5:00 pm in the Church

[2025 Children's Choir Form](#)

Alumni News



ST. JOHN BREBEUF ALL-CLASS REUNION

September 20th, at 5 p.m. Mass at St. John Brebeuf Church, 8305 N. Harlem Ave., Niles; 7 p.m. to midnight, All-Class Reunion in the Parish Ministry Center; contact Shelley Fallon (847) 774-8159M for details.

Holy Name Men's Club News

GOLFERS WANTED

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING



*Hosted by St. John Brebeuf Holy Name Men's Club
All Are Welcome....Bring Your Family and Friends*

Sunday, September 21, 2025

Arlington Lakes Golf Club
(1211 S. New Wilke Road – Arlington Heights)
Just South of Central Road

\$80.00 Per Golfer - Includes 18 Holes of Golf, With Cart
Choice of hot dog or brat with chips and soft drink beverage during your round of golf
Must be Paid in Full by 09/16 to Guarantee Your Tee Times

50/50 Raffle



First Tee Off @ 11:00am

*Make Your Reservations **NOW** as They Go Quickly!!!!*
Jim Lange 847-826-1676
Dennis O'Donovan 847-744-2927

St. John Brebeuf



BINGO!

Sunday, September 28, 2025
St. John Brebeuf
Rev. Thomas P. May Parish Ministry Center
8305 N. Harlem Avenue – Niles

\$15.00 for 15 Games

Pay-Out's determined by Attendance

**Additional Chance to Win
PULL TABS AVAILABLE!!!!**

Doors Open at 2:30pm – Games Begin at 3:00pm
Refreshments Available

For Further Information Contact
Dennis O'Donovan at 847-744-2927
John Jekot at 847-651-7624

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Youth Ministry



St. John Brebeuf

Youth Ministry



Every 3rd Sunday of the month



**MASS AT 6PM
AND MEETING
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Lednica Young People Celebration XX

**Lednica 2000 Association
invites you to**

**Lednica Young People Celebration XX
Saturday, September 27, 2025
5:30pm – 9:30pm**

"Always Upwards"

Fr. Marek Smółka

Coordinator of Polish Ministry in Archdiocese in Chicago will preside

Fr. Sebastian Żebrowski

Associate Pastor of St. John Brebeuf in Niles Leadership

St. Rosalie Church

6750 W Montrose Ave, Harwood Heights, IL 60706

Bring your own folding chair or a blanket to sit on.

Suggested donation \$5.00

More information:

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Daily Readings from USCCB



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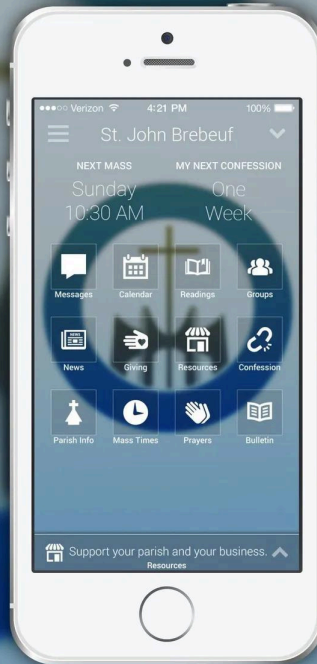
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Church Schedule

ST. JOHN BREBEUF CHURCH

Holy Masses:

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: weekdays after the 8:30 am Mass

First Friday of the month: Confession at 8:00 am, 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

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

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Wednesdays after
8:30 am (English) and 7 pm (Polish)**

**First Saturday of the Month Devotion - after 8:30 am mass (English)
and 6:30 pm (Polish)**

**Family Mass - third Sunday of the month at 10 am (English)
and 11:30 am (Polish)**

Fillipino Mass - Fourth Sunday of the month at 10 am

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

Youth Mass - Every 3rd Sunday of the month at 6 pm

**Spirituality Group - second Thursday of the Month (after 7 pm Mass)
& fourth Thursday of the month (after 8:30 am Mass)**

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