



St. John Brebeuf School

Weekly Parent Newsletter

October 11, 2025

A Letter from Mr. Taylor

Dear SJB Families,

Friday's Professional Development Day was a true blessing for our staff. Throughout the day, we gathered to learn, reflect, and grow together in faith and purpose. Sessions on curriculum mapping, team building and culture, i-Ready implementation, and Spiritual Wellness reminded us that teaching is not just a profession, but a vocation—a calling to nurture both the minds and hearts of our students. We'll continue to explore many of these topics in the months ahead, always keeping Christ at the center of our work.

A heartfelt congratulations to our Varsity Soccer Team on advancing to the CSCC Championship Game! The match will take place on Monday, October 13th, at 7:00 p.m. at Notre Dame College Prep. Let's show our Jaguar pride and support our athletes as they play with spirit, teamwork, and heart.

This week, Progress Reports will be sent home in Thursday folders. It's hard to believe that the first trimester is already halfway complete. As teachers finalize grades and comments, PowerSchool will be closed until Thursday. These reports are a wonderful opportunity to celebrate your child's growth and to partner with us in guiding them forward—academically, socially, and spiritually.

We also have two exciting community events on the horizon:

🎃 The Halloween Spectacular – next Saturday, October 18th, from 5:00–8:00 p.m. Our amazing P/SA has been hard at work planning this frightfully fun family event. Thank you to everyone who volunteers and supports their efforts—it's your spirit of generosity that makes SJB shine.

🌍 The Celebration of Cultures – on Saturday, October 25th, from 3:00–8:00 p.m. in the PMC. This event is a beautiful reflection of the many cultures that make up our parish family. Stop by

the “American” table, hosted by our dedicated SJB staff, and enjoy a taste of fellowship and faith in action.

As always, thank you for your continued prayers, support, and partnership in our shared mission. May this holiday weekend bring you rest, laughter, and time with loved ones.

May the peace of Christ fill your homes,
the joy of the Spirit strengthen your hearts,
and the light of faith guide all that we do—
today and always.

I look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Tuesday, renewed and ready for the days ahead.

With warm regards,
Mr. Adam Taylor
Principal

Important Dates to remember:

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

November 5th - P/SA Meeting - 6:30 p.m.in Room 2

November 7th - NO SCHOOL

November 10th - Athletic Board Meeting - 6:30 p.m.in Room 2

November 12th- - School Photo Retakes

November 13th - Parent Sacramental Meeting for 2nd and 8th-grade parents

November 24th - 11:30 Early Dismissal

- Parent Teacher Conferences (1:00 pm - 7:00 pm)

November 25th - NO SCHOOL - Parent Teacher Conferences (9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.)

November 26th - November 28th - NO SCHOOL

2025 SJB Spooky Spectacular

A Halloween-themed poster for the '2025 SJB Spooky Spectacular' event. The background is dark purple. At the top, it says 'ST. JOHN BOOBEUF PSA PRESENTS' in yellow. Below that, 'SPOOKY SPECTACULAR' is written in large, orange, blocky letters. To the right of the title is a circular QR code with the text 'SCAN TO REGISTER!' above it. The central illustration features a black silhouette of a haunted house with a witch flying on a broom in front of a large yellow full moon. There are also black silhouettes of trees and a ghost. Below the illustration, the event details are listed: 'Oct 18, 2025 • 5-8 PM • Entry \$10 per child (2 and under Free)', 'SJB Gymnasium - 8301 N. Harlem Ave., Niles', and 'Haunted House, Games, Music, Trick-or-Treating & more!'. A yellow brushstroke banner contains the text 'Food will be available for purchase'. Further down, it says 'Advanced Registration Encouraged by October 15' and 'Payments can be dropped off @ St. John Brebeuf School Office (Make checks payable to St. John Brebeuf PSA)'. At the bottom, contact information is provided: 'Questions? Marie - marie@tylerlaneinc.com or Sylvia - sylvia.mallon@gmail.com'. A small icon of a clipboard is in the bottom right corner.

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Questions? Marie - marie@tylerlaneinc.com or
Sylvia - sylvia.mallon@gmail.com

School Safety Patrol



October 14th - October 17th

Purple Team

Emma A

Christian C

Alexa N

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

Thank you for helping keep our school community safe.

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 of next week 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 grades, 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**
Be sure to allow emails from Kiddos, we only send what matters: reminders, lunch reservations, 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 entrée 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.

Pandey's

Pandey'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. **KIDDOS**

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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 Petal's

Fajita Petal's 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 Schoolbelles for our school and PE uniforms. The items can be ordered online or by visiting the Schoolbelles 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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Parish News



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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

Just a friendly reminder that choir rehearsals take place every Tuesday:

- 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM at school for Grades 3-4,
- 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM at the church (music room) for Grades 5-8.

If your child is interested in joining, please contact the choir director, Mrs. Ewa Kowcz-Fair, at 773-551-0284.

Let your children grow in faith and music! This is a wonderful opportunity to develop musical skills, build friendships, and enjoy meaningful time together.

[2025 Children's Choir Form](#)

Celebration of Cultures



THE CELEBRATION OF CULTURES - OCTOBER 25TH

The Celebration of Cultures will be held on Saturday, October 25th, from 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.. Join us for a fun-filled event with cultural food and entertainment. Pre-sale Tickets - 25 tickets for \$20 will be sold after all Masses on Oct 4th-5th, 11th-12th, and 18th-19th. Pre-sale Tickets may also be purchased at the Parish Office. Tickets at the door will be \$1 each

Holy Name Men's Club News

St. John Brebeuf Holy Name Men's Club "Watch Party"



Chicago Bears vs Washington Commanders

Monday, October 13, 2025
St. John Brebeuf
Rev. Thomas P. May Parish Ministry Center
8305 N. Harlem Avenue – Niles

Game Time 7:15pm
"Doors Open @ 6:30pm"

WATCH THE GAME ON A 10- FOOT SCREEN!!!!

"Membership Drive"

New or Renew 2025/26 Membership \$15.00
(Membership required for admittance)
(All are welcome to join us should you not want to be a member @ \$15.00)

Refreshments Will Be Served

Pizza (only through halftime)
Beer – Wine – Soft Drinks *(final call at fourth quarter 2-minute warning)*
"Bring Your Own Favorite Snacks"

For Further Information Call
Dennis O'Donovan 847-744-2927 or John Jekot 847-651-7624

Mega Bingo

St. John Brebeuf



MEGA BINGO!

Sunday, October 26, 2025

St. John Brebeuf

Rev. Thomas P. May Parish Ministry Center

8305 N. Harlem Avenue – Niles

\$15.00 for 15 Games

All Pay-Out's at \$50.00

Final Game Jack Pot Pay-Out at \$500.00

Additional Chance to Win

PULL TABS AVAILABLE!!!!

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Refreshments Available

For Further Information Contact

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St. John Brebeuf

Youth Ministry



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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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