



The Weekly Newsletter of Mr. Courchane
September 4, 2026

"Today and every day, be a peacemaker."

Dear 8th Grade Parents:

The 8th graders led the prayer service on August 31 with their 2nd grade buddies. It went well and they modeled Christian behavior for their schoolmates.

We also attended the first all school mass. We participated well, but there is certainly room for improvement.

As noted below, this coming Wednesday the 8th grade will have their Candlemass, acknowledging their new roles as leaders in our student community. They may dress up in their "Sunday best" for this mass (NO JEANS!) if they choose. If they do not dress up, they are to be in their regular uniforms. If they do dress up, they may change after mass or remain in their "Sunday best."

St. Matthias will be hosting a high school fair again this year. It will be Wednesday, 9/23 6:30-7:30. More details to follow!

In science we are learning about speed, velocity, motion, and acceleration. We analyzed the Nicene Creed in religion class. In art we are working on the elements of still life drawings.

Important Dates

September 7 - No School, Labor Day

September 9 - Candlemass

September 11 - Fun Run

September 15 - Summer birthdays out of uniform day.

September 22 - September birthdays out of uniform day.

September 23 - Chesterton High School visit to SJE.

September 30 - St. Lawrence Seminary visit to SJE.

Sincerely,

Mr. Courchane

8th Grade Homeroom

Middle School Science and Religion

"Whether you think you can or think you can't, you're right." – Henry Ford

