



THE ST. ROBERT

REPORTER

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Fueling the light of Christ through faith, service, and academic excellence.

WEEKLY EDITION

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Mrs. Bushey's Buzz

Dear St. Robert Families,

And just like that, we're back! The 2026-2027 school year is officially underway at St. Robert Catholic School, and what a week it has been! There is something so special about watching our building come back to life after summer - the backpacks in the hallways, lockers opening and closing, laughter from the classrooms, friends reconnecting, and teachers finally getting to welcome the students they have been preparing and praying for. Next week, our youngest Mustangs join us as our preschool classrooms open their doors, and then our St. Robert family will officially be complete!

We began our year together Tuesday morning with our Back to School Prayer Service and Blessing of the Backpacks. Each year, Fr. Brian and I pray about a theme that will give us something to come back to throughout the school year. This year, we kept returning to three simple words: **You Are Called.**

God calls each one of us - our students, our teachers, our families - not someday, but right now. We are called to learn. To serve. To be kind. To try something hard. To notice someone who needs us. To use the gifts God has given us. But mostly, to become the people He created us to be. This is the message I hope our students (and families) hear over and over this year: You are known. You have gifts. You have a purpose. And **you are called.**

What an incredible gift it is for all of us to walk alongside them as they discover what that call looks like! Thank you for entrusting your children to us and for the prayers, patience, and support you have already shown as we begin another year together. Please continue to pray for our students and staff - and for all of us to have the courage to hear God's call and the faith to answer it.

Here we go, Mustangs! **We are called!**

Mrs. Bushey

**UPDATED YEAR LONG
CALENDAR LINK**

**SUBSCRIBE TO SRS
GOOGLE CALENDAR HERE**

**SPIRITWEAR & DRESSCODE
FORMS**



LOOKING AHEAD

MON, 8/31

- First Day for 5 Day Preschool
- ESP begins

TUES., 9/1

- First Day for 3 Day Preschool

WED., 9/9

- 6:00pm Parent Information Night
- Spiritwear and dresscode order due

FRI., 9/11

- School Picture Day

SAT., 9/19

- [Holy Smokes](#) Parish/School Feast Day Gathering

FRI., 9/25

- **NO SCHOOL (NOTE: This is a new day off and has been added to the calendar to reflect this!)**

FOOD SERVICE

We are excited to continue offering breakfast and hot lunch for our students this school year!

Please see the important information regarding the School Lunch Program that came home with your child Friday!

We are still awaiting notification from the State of Michigan regarding whether St. Robert will qualify to provide meals at no cost to all students under the state's recently approved budget. Until that determination is made, the current meal prices are listed on the school menus in the links below.

We will begin serving lettuce on the salad bar on Monday. The lettuce will be triple washed and guidelines will be followed according to health department guidelines.

Please complete the Free & Reduced-Price Meal Application here: [F&R Application](#)

(Please submit digitally to bkushon@stobertschool.com or send the paper copy in with your child to school.)

Please click here for monthly menus and any updated meal pricing: [September Menu](#)

WE NEED A FEW EXTRA HANDS!

We are looking to fill a few important spots at St. Robert - both volunteer and paid!

Lunchroom Volunteers

In order to keep our students properly supervised (and our lunchroom running smoothly!), we could use some extra hands on deck, particularly during our lower elementary lunch. There is always a teacher on duty, but we are looking for 1-2 consistent volunteers who may be available Monday–Friday from 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. to help with our lunch program.

Can't commit every day? We still need you! If you are available to volunteer even one day a week, we would greatly appreciate the help. Please contact Mrs. Belott in the office if you are interested or able to volunteer.

After-School ESP (Paid Position)

We are also looking to hire someone for our after-school ESP program!

Hours: Monday–Friday, 2:30–5:30 p.m.

This would be a great opportunity for someone looking for consistent part-time afternoon hours who enjoys working with children.

If you know someone who might be a great fit, please spread the word!

Interested applicants should contact Mrs. Danaho as soon as possible at jdanhao@stobertschool.com.

EXTENDED SCHOOL PROGRAM (ESP)

ESP continues to accept St. Robert students, ages four and older. The program will open at 2:30 p.m. and will remain open until 5:30 p.m. at the rate of \$7.00 per student per hour. You can find more information and registration paperwork on the school website (www.stobertschool.com) in the Extended School Day Program section.

Please note that ESP will begin on Monday, August 31st. All students *must* be preregistered and have completed paperwork on file *before* they may attend. RSVP's are due by Monday at 9:00 a.m.

[8/31RSVP](#)

[9/7 RSVP](#)

[9/14 RSVP](#)

[9/21RSVP](#)

[9/28 RSVP](#)

Click here for the handbook and registration forms: [2026-2027 Registration Handbook](#)

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Wednesday, September 9, 2026

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Kindergarten - 8th Grade

Parent Information Night will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. in the church with a brief welcome and presentation. Following the presentation, parents will rotate to their children's classrooms to meet their teachers. If you have more than one child, you will have the opportunity to visit each classroom during scheduled rotations.

This evening is designed for parents and guardians only so that teachers can share important information about the school year and answer your questions. Childcare will be available on the playground. Please take your child directly to the playground, sign them in, and then proceed to the church.

Starting the school year with a strong partnership between home and school is one of the greatest gifts we can give our students. Parent Information Night is an important opportunity to build that foundation of communication from day one.

During the evening, you will:

- Meet your child's teacher(s)
- Learn classroom expectations, routines, and goals for the year
- Receive the 2026-2027 School Handbook
- Have the opportunity to ask questions and connect with our staff

Even if you are a returning family, we encourage you to attend! We have many new faces on our team this year along with new procedures and exciting plans for the year ahead. We look forward to seeing you as we kick off another wonderful year at St. Robert!

PROTECT YOUNG EYES

I am SO excited to share a preview of something we are bringing to St. Robert this fall! Part of our mission at SRS is not only to educate our students, but to protect them, form them, and equip their parents and grandparents to do the same. In today's world, that means helping our children learn to navigate technology, social media, online content, and AI with wisdom, confidence, and faith. This fall, we are bringing a special program to SRS focused on digital discernment and creating tech-ready homes, with opportunities for our staff, parents, and students.

Save the Dates!

Friday, September 25 — NO SCHOOL

PROTECT
young eyes

Our staff will participate in professional development focused on better supporting and protecting our students in today's digital world.

Wednesday, October 7 @ 6:30 p.m.— Parent Presentation

“Digital Discernment: Creating a Tech-Ready Home in the AI Age”

This is a 90-minute, parents-and-caring-adults-only presentation that will provide practical tools to help families build healthy technology habits, strengthen connection, and create safer digital environments at home.

Friday, October 9 Separate Grade Level Student Presentations

Students will also participate in developmentally appropriate presentations during the school day, and parents will be welcome to attend.

The RSVP link and more details will be coming next week! This is just the beginning of more opportunities we hope to provide our parents this year as we work together to raise and protect our kids. I am so excited to bring this to

SRS!

EXTRA YEARBOOKS

Yearbooks are in and have been sent home to those that pre-ordered them. We have extras that are able to be purchased for \$18! Come to the office or send money in with your child and we will send it home with them.

SPIRITWEAR AND DRESSCODE ORDERS

Forms for ordering spiritwear or dresscode items were sent home Friday or you can click the [link](#) if you need a copy. Orders are due September 9th.

"HOLY SMOKES" CELEBRATION

St. Robert Bellarmine's Feast Day is September 17, and we're celebrating together on Saturday, September 19! Mark your calendars for a fun event to also celebrate our priests (Fr. Christian has been a priest for 1 year, and Fr. Brian for 10 years! September 19th after the 5pm Mass please join us for food and fellowship. Several types of smoked meat will be provided and we are asking families to bring their favorite side dishes! If you are willing and able to provide a dish or smoked meat, please contact Tim at OCIA@SRBCATHOLIC.COM

See the flyer for more information! Hope to see you there!

P.T.O. NEWS

Want to stay informed, get involved, and make a difference at our school?
Join the PTO!

Our Next Meeting

Date: Saturday, September 12

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: SRS Library

*Mark your calendar for the second Saturday of each month for the PTO meetings
Please see the flyer for an exciting addition to the activities our team provides!

POWERS CATHOLIC NEWS

Powers Catholic High School is offering our students and families lots of exciting opportunities this year - along with a few exciting changes!

Middle School Families: You should have received communication on Friday regarding the new middle school athletics program. If you did not receive it, please reach out to Mrs. Bushey.

Throughout the year, Powers sends us information about athletics, camps, events, programs, and other opportunities available to our students. We will continue to pass those along to you! Flyers will be attached at the end of each newsletter, along with any registration or information links provided by Powers. Be sure to check them out so you don't miss an opportunity!

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE

10
YEARS

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YEAR

Fr. Brian Lenz
PASTOR

Fr. Christian Salata
PAROCHIAL VICAR

HOLY SMOKES

JOIN US FOR FOOD,
FELLOWSHIP &
A CELEBRATION
OF OUR PRIESTS!

SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER
19TH, 2026

AFTER THE 5PM MASS

★ FREE WILL DONATION ★

SEVERAL TYPES OF SMOKED MEATS AVAILABLE!

WE ARE ASKING PARISHIONERS
TO DONATE SIDE DISHES FOR THIS EVENT!

If you can provide a side dish that serves
8-10 people, please email Tim at
ocia@srbccatholic.com no later than **SEPTEMBER 5TH!**





CHARGERS GIRLS JET LEAGUE

4TH, 5TH & 6TH GRADE
(Middle School Div.)

8 WEEK SEASON

Take your skills to the next level in a high-energy, supportive league built to teach teamwork in a faith filled environment. Whether you're looking to master the fundamentals or compete at a higher level, Chargers team provides coaching, dynamic skill development, and real game experience while creating a community for our athletes!

FAITH
GRIT
TEAMWORK
CHARGERS



REGISTRATION

CLOSES
SEPT 10th



COST

\$125

(includes cost of
uniform that you
keep)

GAMES START

OCT 3rd

GAMES ARE
PLAYED ON
SATURDAYS

BETWEEN 8AM- 3PM



Teams will be made based
on grade and experience.
All levels welcome.

REGISTER HERE:



BASKETBALL EVALUATIONS

SIGN UP to get Details – will be in SEPT



QUESTIONS?

Kim Rogers – athleticdirector@sjseducation.com



<https://st-john-the-evangelist-catholic-school.sportngin.com/registerform/741217660>

please join us!



Cheers To **CHARGERS**

Celebrating our
POWERS CATHOLIC FAMILY
CURRENT & FUTURE PARENTS
ALUMNI • STAFF • FRIENDS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3 - 6:00 PM
POWERS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
1505 W COURT STREET, FLINT
FOOD & BEER • TENT • DJ • SCHOOL TOURS • 50/50 RAFFLE

You're Invited!



POWERS CATHOLIC
MILESTONE
REUNION
HAPPY HOUR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2026
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
POWERS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

[RSVP HERE](#)

JOIN US FOR A
CHRISTMAS
CRAFT SHOW
AND
MARKETPLACE

DECEMBER 5TH, 2026
FROM 9AM TO 3PM

St. Robert School Activity Center
310 N. Cherry St. Flushing, MI

St. Robert School PTO presents the 49th Annual
Christmas Craft Show and Marketplace.
Shop local vendors and handmade gifts all while
supporting our school!

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A VENDOR?
SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION:

