



St. Joseph School - Class of 2025

**Congratulations to our Graduates!**



## Dates to Remember

Monday-Friday, June 23rd-27th - Vocation Bible School 9:00am-12:00pm

Tuesday, August 5th - Mukwonago National Night Out 5:30-8:00pm

Thursday, August 7th - Big Bend National Night Out 5:00-8:00pm

Sunday, August 10th - Outdoor Mass 10:30am / Parish Picnic 10:30am-4:00pm

Saturday, August 16th - Golf Outing @ Edgewood Golf Course

Monday, August 25th - Supply/Picture Day 2:00-6:00pm

Wednesday, August 27th - First Day of School

## Update from the Principal -

### New 4K Teacher Hired

The school teachers and I interviewed several candidates for the 4K position, and we are happy to announce that we have a new 4K teacher.

I will share more information as the summer progresses.

*Mr. Mike Brown*

## Summer Office Hours

The School Office will be open throughout the summer on Thursdays from 9:00am to 3:00pm or by appointment. If you would like to make an appointment, please email [school@stjoesbb.com](mailto:school@stjoesbb.com) or call 262-662-2737 as these will be checked on a regular basis.

## Recess/Lunchroom Helpers for 2025-2026 School Year

Are you available to help during lunchtime, either in the cafeteria or as a recess monitor? If you are able to help from 11:30am to 12:15 with recess or 11:55-12:40pm in the cafeteria, please call the School Office and let us know which day(s) you are able to help us out. Your help is greatly appreciated as it gives the teachers a little prep time.

## Vaccinations

If your child receives any vaccinations over the summer, please update their Immunization Sheet or fill out a new one. Please note that if your child is going into 5K or 7th grade there are new shots or dose requirements. Please see the attached Student Immunization Law Age/Grade Requirements sheet towards the end of this newsletter for what the requirements are for your child.

## Summer Spirit Wear Challenge

For a way for our community to keep connected, we are challenging our students and families to wear their St. Joseph spirit wear on summer trips. It will be great to see our students and families in our spirit wear in various locations this summer. Tag St. Joe's on Facebook or Instagram, or email your photos over the summer to [marketing1@stjoesbb.com](mailto:marketing1@stjoesbb.com) for a chance to be featured on social media, website, and upcoming communications! Also, send them to [school@stjoesbb.com](mailto:school@stjoesbb.com) for a future Knightly news.

## Nights Out - Save the Dates

**Below are dates where our school will host a booth at local Nights Out. The Marketing Committee has a lot of great ideas for these nights. Keep an eye out for communication over the summer.**

Tuesday, August 5th - Mukwonago NNO 5:30-8:00pm

Thursday, August 7th - Big Bend NNO 5:00-8:00pm

## A Huge Thank You

Thank you to the Athletic Association for all of their support this year, not only with our school athletics, but also supporting our school in so many ways. It is great to have so many different organizations supporting our school community.

We would like to give a huge thank you to all the wonderful volunteers throughout the school year. There are too many to list but we appreciate each and everyone of you. You help make this the great school that it is.

## RaiseRight

Have you used the RaiseRight program yet? It's an easy way to earn money for the parish/school **AND towards your child's tuition.**

Join St. Joseph's Home and School's RaiseRight program so you don't miss out on more than \$1,000+ in savings toward tuition. How? Just use gift cards to pay for everyday expenses or shop online through RaiseRight, and you'll earn up to 20% back! With the profits that you make, 50% goes to the parish/school and the other 50% you can choose where you want it to go - school tuition, ydm fees or to the parish.

Whether you're at home or on the go, RaiseRight gives you the flexibility to earn with physical gift cards, eGift cards, reloadable cards, and a mobile app. Earn anytime, anywhere. Physical cards are sold after most weekend Masses. Orders submitted via the RaiseRight website before Sunday 3:00pm will be filled and available for pick up in the parish office on the next Wednesday after 2:00pm during normal business hours. Parish Office hours is 9:00am-4:00pm Monday thru Thursday and Friday 9:00am to 12:00 Noon.

To get started, click here:

<https://www.raiseright.com/enroll/AF2532A14444>

or contact St. Joseph School Office at 262-662-2737 or [school@stjoesbb.com](mailto:school@stjoesbb.com) for more information.

Have a wonderful summer! Give RaiseRight a try; it's easy and convenient. It's never too late to start **working toward next year's tuition!**

Your St. Joseph RaiseRight Team





## From the school library:

Congratulations to the winners of the annual library contest - the class that brought their books back the most on a weekly basis throughout the school year. This year, we decided to award prizes to two classes because it was a close finish. Congratulations to...

First Place - 4th grade

Second Place - 3K

Summer is almost here, but you can still enjoy reading all summer long!

Here are some bonus opportunities to celebrate your reading:

- ♦ Visit your local public library and sign up for the Summer Reading Program
- ♦ Registration and Kick-Off Parties take place in early June  
<https://www.bigbend.lib.wi.us/>  
<https://www.mukwonago.library.org/2025-summer-library-program-kick-off/>  
[https://library.muskego.wi.gov/kids/summer\\_reading.php](https://library.muskego.wi.gov/kids/summer_reading.php)
- ♦ Earn a free book through the Barnes & Noble Summer Reading Program for kids in Grades 1-6.  
[https://www.barnesandnoble.com/b/escape-into-a-world-of-imagination/\\_/N-2vjz](https://www.barnesandnoble.com/b/escape-into-a-world-of-imagination/_/N-2vjz)
- ♦ Earn a \$5 Gift Card in June and July to Half Price Books  
<https://www.hpb.com/summer-reading.html>

Enjoy your summer and Happy Reading!

After our last All School Mass of the school year, a Candle Ceremony was held where the 8th graders passed the leadership role on to the 7th graders.

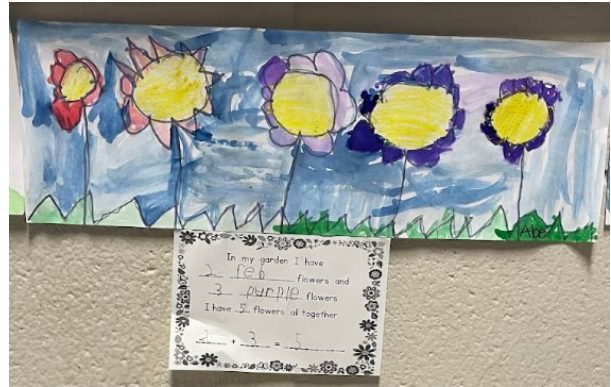


Father Andy gifted the 7th graders with a cheese hat, since they are now the "Big Cheese" at school.





Mr. Hudy presented Josh S. (left) and Tavin S. (right) with a certificate for their participation in band and wished them Good Luck in high school.



### 3K - Marshmallow STEM Creations



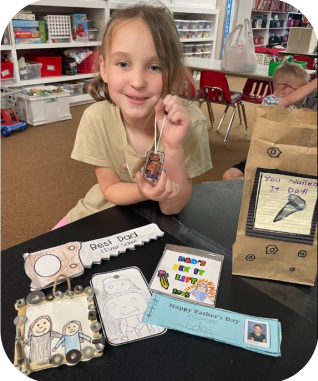
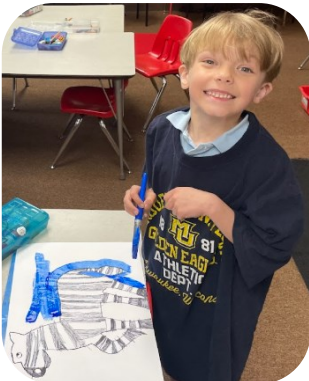
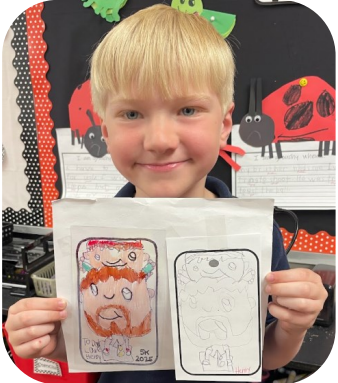


3K/4K

The 3K and 4K students surprised Mrs. Malkowski with a baby shower. Her baby boy is due July 7th. Congratulations!



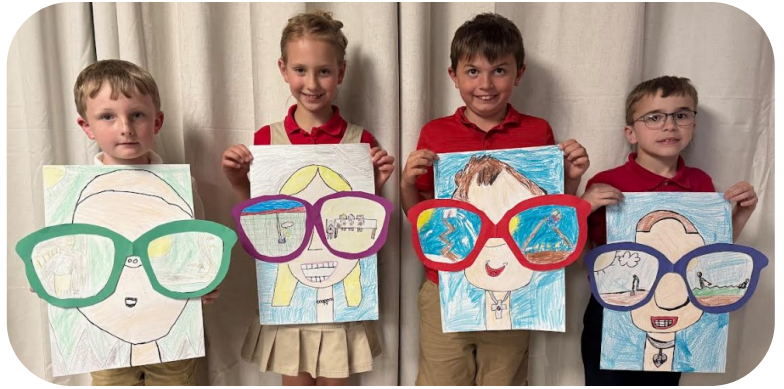
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## 2nd & 3rd Grades

The 2nd and 3rd graders illustrated their writing about what they are looking forward to this summer.... Fishing, swimming, baseball, Mass, mowing the lawn, canoeing, golfing... and so much more



## 7th & 8th Grade Boys

What do you get when you give a broken lampshade and several different sized basketballs and a plastic baseball to 7th and 8th grade boys? A brand new game - Lampshade Ball. They have only 2 bases and a small field right outside our cafeteria.





## 4th Grade

The 4th grade finished up the school year with Glow Day! The students reviewed all the skills they have learned this year with fun activities!



## 5th & 6th Grade Science



Campus Ministry held our last food drive for the year. Thanks for your donations.



Some 6th grade girls were so into their book they were reading that they asked to stay in from recess until they finished the chapter.







# Athletic News

This past Friday, 4th grade through 8th grade participated in a mini athletics banquet. Athletes were presented with letters, pins, certificates and trophies for the school year. After the presentation students enjoyed cookies, ice cream, milk and juice.



Two eighth grade athletes were presented with the 8th Grade Excellence Award.

## Who is eligible?

Any St. Joseph Athlete that has participated in St. Joseph Athletics for at least 2 years or an athlete who is in good standing with YDM class attendance for 2 full years

## The recipient of the Excellence Award is:

- ◆ Finest all-around athlete- attitude, character & skill
- ◆ Excels in academics (3.0 GPA or better)
- ◆ Demonstrates commitment to Church time/talent
- ◆ Displays excellent character on and off the court



## Who votes:

Father Andy, Mrs. Evans, Mr. Brown, Coaches and assistant coaches

**2025 Winners:** Tavin S. & Julia R.





The Athletics Committee met for our last meeting of the year on May 14. We are looking for more new members.

## Why Join the Athletics Committee?

- ♦ **Support Student Athletes:** Contribute to the development and success of our young athletes by helping to plan events, organize fundraisers and improve facilities.
- ♦ **Foster Community Spirit:** Work alongside fellow parents and staff to build a strong, supportive community that values teamwork and school spirit.
- ♦ **Make a Difference:** Your involvement will directly impact the quality of our sports programs and the overall experience for our students.

We are looking for volunteers to join the committee as the majority of current members will have graduates this year and the next. Whether you have experience in athletics or simply a desire to help, your contributions will be greatly valued.

## Getting Started

A great way to start participating is by attending a few meetings to get comfortable with the group. We understand that joining a new committee can be daunting, so it is a great opportunity to see various roles and become more familiar with the responsibilities. Meeting time: once a month for about an hour on the second Tuesday of the month.

Next meeting will occur in September. If you would like more information, please email Michele Reilly at [athletics@stjoesbb.com](mailto:athletics@stjoesbb.com).

## 2025 St. Leonard / St. Joseph Fall Volleyball Registration

Registration for the 2025 Volleyball Season is now open! St. Leonard Athletics invites all incoming 4th through 8th grade day school or religious education students to sign up for volleyball. The season begins in mid-August and continues through late October. Practices are held twice a week at St. Leonard, while league games take place on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays.

**Note:** This is the first time 4<sup>th</sup> grade Volleyball is being offered through the archdiocese.

The registration fee of \$125.00 includes a warm-up shirt, entry into up to three volleyball tournaments, and participation in at least eight league games.

Register your child today through the **2025 Volleyball Registration** link: [2025 Volleyball Registration](#)

A separate payment form is available via the St. Leonard WeShare link: [Give](#). Look for the Volleyball option to complete your payment.

For more details, visit the St. Leonard website under **Athletics – Volleyball**, or contact Tom Gjerde (St. Leonard Volleyball Coordinator) at [tgjerde.stlathletics@outlook.com](mailto:tgjerde.stlathletics@outlook.com) or Joe Searing (St. Joseph Athletics) at [joe@searingbrostile.com](mailto:joe@searingbrostile.com).

Don't wait! The end of the school year and the start of summer can get busy. **Enroll now—team commitments are due to the leagues by the end of July.**



Girl Scouts. Troop 11134



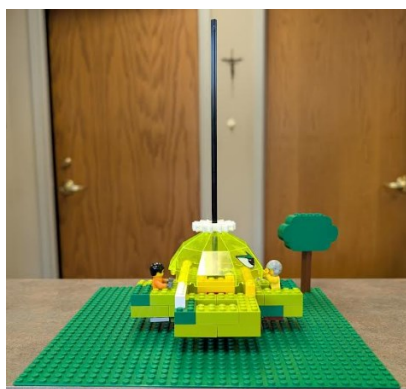
The Big Bend Fire Department came to our final meeting of the school year to teach us basic first aid.



The Girl Scouts enjoyed an overnight cabin camping adventure at the Chinook Program Center.



**LEGO Club**



## STUDENT IMMUNIZATION LAW AGE/GRADE REQUIREMENTS

The following are the minimum required immunizations for each age and grade level according to the Wisconsin Student Immunization Law. These requirements can be waived for health, religious, or personal conviction reasons. Additional immunizations may be recommended for your child depending on his or her age. Please contact your doctor or local health department to determine if your child needs additional immunizations.

**Table 144.03-A  
Required Immunizations for the 2021-2022 School Year and the Following School Years**

Age/Grade	Required Immunizations (Number of Doses)							
5 months through 15 months	2 DTP/DTPaP/DT		2 Polio			2 Hep B	2 Hib	2 PCV
16 months through 23 months	3 DTP/DTPaP/DT		2 Polio	1 MMR		2 Hep B	3 Hib	3 PCV
2 years through 4 years	4 DTP/DTPaP/DT		3 Polio	1 MMR	1 Var	3 Hep B	3 Hib	3 PCV
Kindergarten through grade 6	4 DTP/DTPaP/DT		4 Polio	2 MMR	2 Var	3 Hep B		
Grade 7 through grade 11	4 DTP/DTPaP/DT	1 Tdap	4 Polio	2 MMR	2 Var	3 Hep B		1 Mening
Grade 12	4 DTP/DTPaP/DT	1 Tdap	4 Polio	2 MMR	2 Var	3 Hep B		2 Mening

- Requirements did not take effect until February 1, 2023, and the rule was therefore not in effect for the 2021-2022 or 2022-2023 school years. The Tdap requirement for grades 7-11 was implemented for the 2023-2024 school year. The Meningococcal (serogroup A,C,W,Y) requirement was implemented for the 2024-2025 school year.
- Schools are not required to verify Hib and PCV vaccines for Pre-K students.
- Children 5 years of age or older who are enrolled in a Pre-K class should be assessed using the immunization requirements for Kindergarten through Grade 5, which would normally correspond to the individual's age.
- D = diphtheria, T = tetanus, P = pertussis vaccine. DTPaP/DTP/DT vaccine for all students Pre-K through 12; Four doses are required. However, if a student received the 3<sup>rd</sup> dose after the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday, further doses are not required. **Note:** A dose four days or less before the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday is also acceptable.
- DTPaP/DTP/DT vaccine for children entering Kindergarten: Each student must have received one dose after the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday (either the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, or 5<sup>th</sup> dose) to be compliant. **Note:** a dose four days or less before the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday is also acceptable.
- Tdap is an adolescent tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis combination vaccine. If a student received a dose of a tetanus-containing vaccine, such as Td, within five years before entering the grade in which Tdap is required, the student is compliant and a dose of Tdap vaccine is not required.
- Polio vaccine for students entering grades Kindergarten through 12; Four doses are required. However, if a student received the 3<sup>rd</sup> dose after the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday, further doses are not required. **Note:** a dose four days or less before the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday is also acceptable.
- Laboratory evidence of immunity to hepatitis B is also acceptable.
- MMR is measles, mumps, and rubella vaccine. The first dose of MMR vaccine must have been received on or after the 1<sup>st</sup> birthday. Laboratory evidence of immunity to all three diseases (measles and mumps and rubella) is also acceptable. **Note:** A dose four days or less before the 1<sup>st</sup> birthday is also acceptable.
- Varicella vaccine is chickenpox vaccine. Students with a reliable history of varicella disease are not required to receive the Varicella vaccine. A physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice nurse prescriber must document a reliable history of varicella disease by indicating that the student has had varicella and signing the Student Immunization Form (DHS Form 04020L). Students (excluding new enterers and kindergartners) with a parental report of disease prior to May 2024 are considered compliant.
- One dose of Meningococcal vaccine (serogroup A,C,W,Y) is required for students entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade, and a booster dose is required for students entering 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Students are assessed for this requirement in 7<sup>th</sup> grade and 12<sup>th</sup> grade only. Current Wisconsin students in 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> grade will not be assessed for this requirement until they enter 12<sup>th</sup> grade. A second dose is not required for students who received their first dose of MenACWY at age 16 years or older.





Field Day

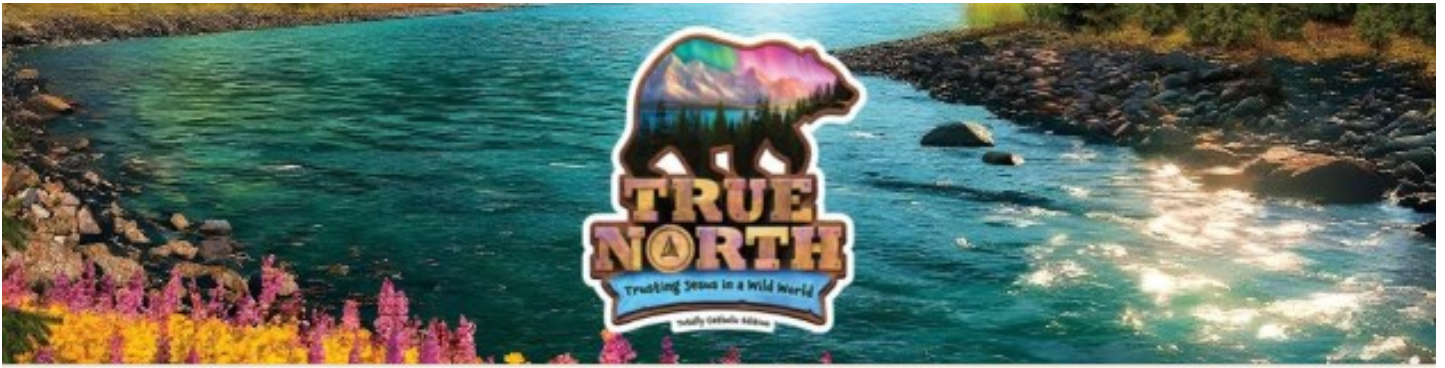




# Mini Fest







# 2025 True North Vacation Bible School

June 23rd - 27th, 9am-12:00 (check-in begins at 8:45)



Save the Date

## St. Joseph Parish Picnic

Sunday, August 10, 2025

Watch for more info coming in  
church bulletins.



- When: Saturday, August 16, 2025; 8am shotgun start (check-in opens at 6:30am)
- Where: Edgewood Golf Course, W240S9950 Castle Rd, Big Bend, WI 53103
- What's included:
  - 18 holes of golf with cart, **SCRAMBLE FORMAT**
  - Continental-style breakfast, Cousins lunch & beverages,
  - Hole-in-one and putting contest
  - Hole games, individual and team prizes, and more!
- Why: To benefit student education at St. Joseph School!
- Cost: \$125 per golfer
- To Register:
  - Register online at [stjoesbb.com/golf](https://stjoesbb.com/golf)
  - Drop off cash/check at the Parish Office.
    - Parish office hours are Monday-Thursday 9-4 or Friday 9-12.
    - Please include golfer name and contact information.
  - OR online payment available

Corporate sponsorships, hole sponsorships, and other donation opportunities are available. Please contact us at [golf@stjoesbb.com](mailto:golf@stjoesbb.com).



# SUMMER LIBRARY

## PROGRAM

### NERF GAMES

**JUNE 12 @ 3 - 5 PM**

@ Big Bend Lions Club

W231S9205 Riverside St, Big Bend WI 53103

Bryen Wenzel from Milwaukee Area Nerf Outings (M.A.N.O) will lead an exciting Nerf Games for teens, featuring friendly competition, strategic challenges, and plenty of fun.

Nerf blasters, foam darts, and eye protection will be provided. Participants may also bring their own Nerf blasters and eye protection.



### BIG BEND VILLAGE LIBRARY

<https://www.bigbend.lib.wi.us/>  
(262) 662-3571

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## PERFORMER

### SCIENCE HEROES

**JUNE 17 2 PM**

@ Big Bend Lions Club

W231S9205 Riverside St, Big Bend WI 53103

Join Science Heroes for an exciting STEM adventure filled with hands-on experiments! Explore chemical reactions, air pressure, physical explosions, and more in this fun, interactive science experience.



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# Have a safe, fun-filled Summer!

See you at Supply Drop Off/Picture Day on  
Monday, August 25th from 2:00-6:00pm.

First day of school is  
Wednesday, August 27th.



HAPPY  
SUMMER  
VACATION!