

# Congratulations Graduates!



St. Joseph School - Class of 2026

## Dates to Remember

Thursday, June 4th - Last Day of School / 11:00am Dismissal

Saturday, August 8th - Golf Outing @ Edgewood

Sunday, August 9th - Parish Picnic

Sunday, August 23rd - Welcome Back Picnic 11:30am

Monday, August 24th - Supply Dropoff/Picture Day 2-6pm

Wednesday, August 26th - First Day of School

## Update from the Principal -

### Student Council/Campus Ministry Update

We had 11 students from the current 5th-7th grade class run for either president, vice president or publicist. It was great to see the middle school students excited about what we are doing next year in our middle school.

Next year, the following students will be leading our school community:

President - Chloe Kobleske

Vice-President - Will Pfeil

Publicist - Micah Elsner and Emma Wolf



Students in grades 4th-8th will elect two classroom representatives in the fall, so more leadership positions will be available.

Mrs. Borges worked with the four elected officers to come up with a theme for next year. They have one picked. You just have to wait until drop-off the first day to know what our theme will be. :)

### 3K/4K Exciting News

We are also excited to share some wonderful news about our early childhood program for next year!

Due to the continued growth of our program, Mrs. Mendenhall will be moving into a full-time role next school year as our 4K teacher. We are excited to have a full time teacher in both 3K and 4K next year!

We are very excited for our youngest learners and grateful for the strong support our families continue to show for St. Joseph School. Mrs. Mendenhall has done an outstanding job building relationships with our students and families, and we are thrilled to continue growing our early childhood program with her in this expanded role.

# Update from the Principal cont'd -

## **An exciting past couple of days**

Thank you to the many staff members, parents, and volunteers who helped make the past two weeks so memorable for our school community.

We have had an incredible stretch of events celebrating our students and the many blessings of another successful school year.

Last Friday, we gathered for our 8th Grade Tribute Mass, Athletics Awards Ceremony, and 8th Grade Luncheon. That evening, families came together for our End-of-the-Year Picnic and Movie Night.

On Monday, our students enjoyed a fantastic Field Day organized by Mr. Hanson.

Tuesday brought a fun-filled Minifest and Raffle during the school day, followed by our 8th Grade Graduation Mass and celebration that evening as we honored the accomplishments of our graduating class.

These events do not happen by accident. They are made possible by the dedication, generosity, and teamwork of so many people who care deeply about our students. Thank you to everyone who contributed their time and talents to make St. Joseph School such a special place for our students, families, and parish community.

*Mr. Mike Brown*

## **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 Office Hours**

The School Office will be open throughout the summer on most 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 2026-2027 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 some prep time.



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 are 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. Congratulations to . . . First Place - 3K      Second Place - 3rd grade.

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.mukwonagolibrary.org/summer-library-program>

[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/shop/summer-reading-free-book-giveaway>

- Earn a \$5 Gift Card in June and July to Half Price Books. Stop at a location to pick up a form.

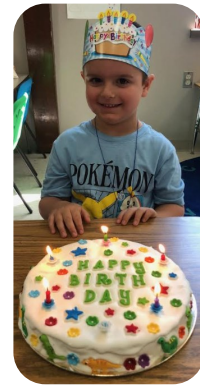
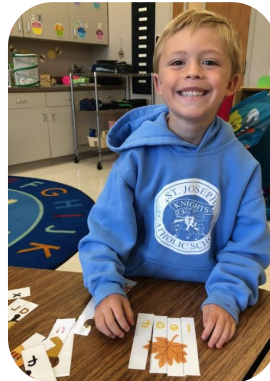
<https://www.hpb.com>

Enjoy your summer, and Happy Reading!

### 3K - Camping Theme



### 4K



5K



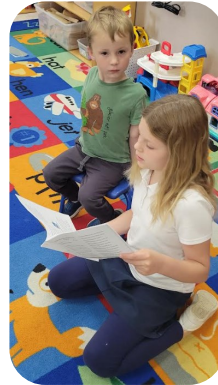
## 2nd Grade

The 2nd Graders started the school year with a puzzle building activity to work on teamwork. They ended the school year the same way! Look at that growth!



## 5th Grade - Graphic Novels

The 5th graders had the opportunity to read their graphic novels to our 3K and 4K friends. It was wonderful to see the different grade levels spending time together, and everyone had a lot of fun sharing stories and building connections.



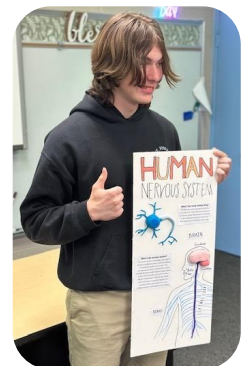
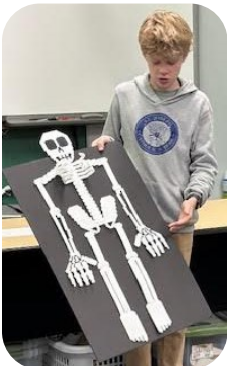
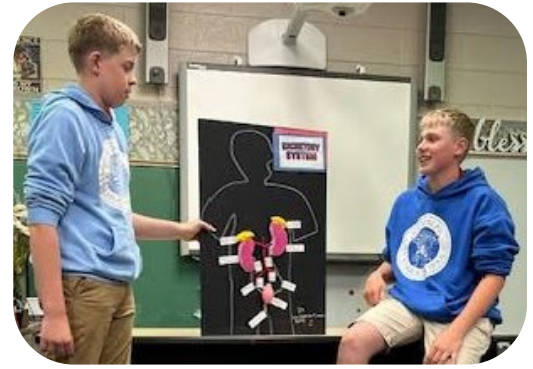
## 6th Grade

The final assigned project for the 6th grade class. They were able to choose which part of the solar system they wanted to display in 3D. They did a wonderful job!!



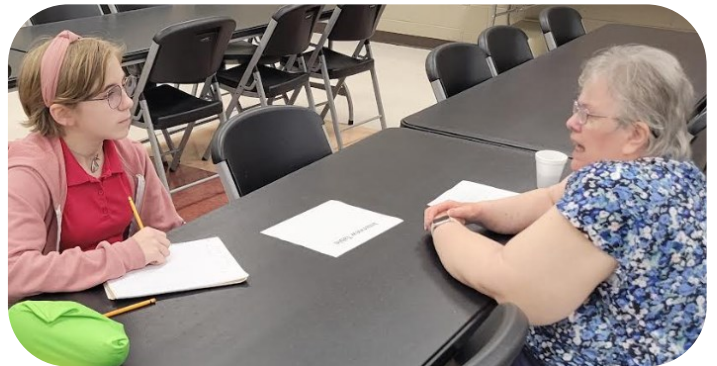
## 7th & 8th Grades

The 7th and 8th graders presented their final assigned project which was to display in 3D one of the systems of the human body. They were able to use whatever kind of material that was safe to use!! I think, again, the favorite was the one made of rice krispie treats and candy! Everyone got a little treat to end the last full week of school!!! Great job everyone!!



## 7th & 8th Grades

The 7th & 8th grades completed a section on Vatican II. They interviewed some of St. Joe's seasoned parishioners to hear first hand what the church was like before and after the changes of Vatican II.



## Girl Scouts Troop 11134

Archdiocesan Committee on Catholic Scouting hosted the annual Catholic Scouting Mass recently. Therese V. was recognized for earning her I Live My Faith religious award by Bishop Hanes. Our nine daisies (the 5K girls) all earned God is Love but weren't able to attend the Mass this year. These religious awards go more in depth than what we do each year for the pins they receive at St. Joseph's (the My Promise, My Faith pins).



## 8th Grade Tribute Mass



All five 8th graders received the Gold Award for the amount of service hours they completed.



Liam R. and Drew M. were acknowledged for their leadership through Campus Ministry.



A Candle Ceremony was held where the 8th Graders passed the Light of leadership to the 7th Graders.



First Graders all ready and waiting for Field Day to start and after they left all on the field.

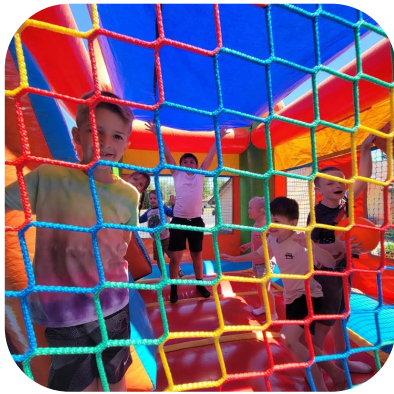
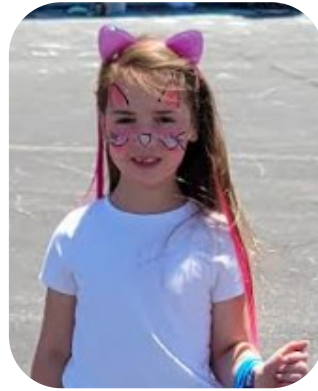


# Field Day





# MiniFest



# Athletic News



As I write my last Knightly News, I reflect on how great it has been to be part of this team. I have been truly blessed to work with an amazing group of volunteers. I know Athletics will continue to progress forward with new exciting ideas and the same level of commitment as I have witnessed throughout the years. It has been an honor to watch the athletes achieve personal and team bests, sportsmanship, kindness, true grit, athleticism and teamwork at all levels and all sports. Please consider joining this rewarding volunteer team.

Michele Reilly  
St. Joseph Athletics

This past Friday, Mr. Brown presented the Athletic Excellence and Sportsmanship Awards at the 8th Grade Tribute Mass.

**Liam Reilly was the recipient of the Excellence Award. This is awarded to an athlete who 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



**Alex Barber was the recipient of the Sportsmanship Award. This is awarded to an athlete whom:**

- ◆ Displays Christian behavior at practices and games
- ◆ Represents their Parish/School to the very best of their ability
- ◆ Respectful to teammates, opponents, coaches, officials and fans
- ◆ Encourages good sportsmanship by teammates and fans

**Who votes?**

- ◆ St. Joseph 8th Grade Coaches and 8th Grade Athletes



## Awards Ceremony

The awards ceremony includes presentation of letters for 1st year participants, and award certificates and pins for all athletes for each sport they participated in. Trophies were also awarded for the basketball teams who place either 1st, 2nd or 3rd in their division. The 8th grade boys 2nd place Padre Serra Banner for the gym was also revealed. Congratulations to all who participated in sports this year. The ceremony was finished with cookies, ice cream and juice.





# REMINDER: Fall Volleyball and Soccer Registrations are Now Open.

Registration for the 2026 Volleyball Season is now open! St. Leonard and St. Joseph Athletics invites all 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.



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 **2026 Volleyball Registration** link:

<https://stleonardmuskego.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/65/responses/new>

For more details, visit the St. Leonard website under **Athletics – Volleyball**, or contact Tom Gjerde at [tjgerde.stlathletics@outlook.com](mailto:tjgerde.stlathletics@outlook.com) or Joe Searing at [athletics@stjoesbb.com](mailto:athletics@stjoesbb.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 mid-July. The registration deadline is July 3rd.

We're excited to announce that registration is now open for St. Leonard / St. Joseph 4K-4th Grade Fall Outdoor Soccer Season!

This program is a great opportunity for kids of all skill levels—whether your child is brand new to soccer or already has experience and is looking to continue developing their skills. Our focus is on learning the game, building confidence, staying active, and most importantly, having fun in a positive and encouraging environment.



## Program Details:

- ◆ Open to K4 through 4th Grade students
- ◆ Outdoor season focused on skill development, teamwork, and game play
- ◆ All skill levels welcome
- ◆ **Cost:** \$75 for the season, which includes a game shirt

We believe this is a fantastic program for young athletes to grow both on and off the field while building friendships and a love for the game.

**Registration:** please visit: <https://stleonardmuskego.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/65/responses/new>

**Registration Deadline:** July 1st

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Joe Searing at [Athletics@stjoesbb.com](mailto:athletics@stjoesbb.com).

## Volunteer Coaches Needed:

This program depends on parent involvement to make it successful. If you would consider volunteering to coach, we would greatly appreciate it—no prior experience is necessary. We will provide guidance and support along the way. This truly cannot work without parent support.

Thank you for your continued support, and we're looking forward to a great soccer season!



## Athletics Committee Volunteers Needed

We are currently looking for parent volunteers to join the Athletics Committee for the 2026–2027 school year. Whether you have athletic experience or simply want to help support our programs, your involvement is greatly appreciated.

### Tentative Meeting Schedule

Meetings are typically held on the second Tuesday of each month and last approximately one hour.

- ◆ August 11
- ◆ September 8
- ◆ October 13
- ◆ November 10
- ◆ December 8
- ◆ January 12
- ◆ February 9
- ◆ March 9
- ◆ April 13
- ◆ May 11

### Why Join?

- ◆ Support student athletes and school programs
- ◆ Help organize events, fundraisers, and improvements
- ◆ Build community spirit and school pride
- ◆ Make a direct impact on the student-athlete experience

A great way to get involved is simply by attending a meeting to learn more about the committee and available volunteer opportunities.

For more information, please contact Joe Searing at [athletics@stjoesbb.com](mailto:athletics@stjoesbb.com) or call 414-416-5367.





## 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/DTaP/DT		2 Polio			2 Hep B	2 Hib	2 PCV	
16 months through 23 months	3 DTP/DTaP/DT		2 Polio	1 MMR		2 Hep B	3 Hib	3 PCV	
2 years through 4 years	4 DTP/DTaP/DT		3 Polio	1 MMR	1 Var	3 Hep B	3 Hib	3 PCV	
Kindergarten through grade 6	4 DTP/DTaP/DT		4 Polio	2 MMR	2 Var	3 Hep B			
Grade 7 through grade 11	4 DTP/DTaP/DT	1 Tdap	4 Polio	2 MMR	2 Var	3 Hep B			1 Mening
Grade 12	4 DTP/DTaP/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. DTaP/DTP/DT/Td 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.
- DTaP/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.





**You're invited to St Joseph School Night at a Lake Country Dockhounds game!**

This outing is a great chance to see other school families during summer break, and doubles as a fundraiser for the school.

**When:** Thursday, June 18th, 2026 at 6:35 PM

The Lake Country Dockhounds take the field against the Fargo-Moorehead Redhawks

**Where:** Dockhounds Ballpark (1011 Blue Ribbon Cir N, Oconomowoc, WI 53066)

**More Info:** Tickets are \$20.53 each and must be purchased from this link:

<https://www.gofevo.com/event/StJosephHC26>

Purchase deadline is at gametime.

\$10 from each ticket sold will go back to St Joseph School! Invite your friends and family to come along. If you want to sit with other families, please coordinate ticket purchases and share where you are sitting! Promotions for this game include a boat keychain giveaway.

**Questions?** Email Kristin Forster at [kforster20@gmail.com](mailto:kforster20@gmail.com)

Supply Drop Off/Picture Day  
Monday, August 24th 2:00-6:00pm

First Day of School  
Wednesday, August 26th

HAPPY  
SUMMER  
VACATION!