



Knightly News



Our Student Ministry Leaders

Last year we elected our "officials", and then last week the class representatives from 4th through 8th grade were elected.

Pictured are: James F., Millie W., Micah E., Maisie J., Julie C., Emma W., Natalia F., Chloe K., Therese V., Madisyn P., Gunner P., Abe E. and Will P.

A HUGE Congratulations to the Fedor family on Mr. Fedor's Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate.



Dates to Remember

Friday, September 18th - Bike Night

Monday, September 28th - No School / Professional Development Day

Friday, October 2nd - Retakes & Group Pictures

Friday, October 9th - Catholic Schools Soles Walk

Sunday, October 11th - Chili Cook-off/Kickball 11:30am

Trunk -N-Treat

Our **Trunk-n-Treat** event is **Friday, October 23rd**. It was inadvertently listed incorrectly in the Updates last week. Watch for a flyer on this fun event.

This is a fun event for our entire community. If you wish to have a trunk to pass out candy, per Archdiocese of Milwaukee guidelines, you must have attended a Safeguarding Class and have a Background Check completed. Mr. Brown has to verify prior to the event with the parish office. If you have any questions, please email Terry Sommers in the parish office at tsommers@stjoesbb.com.

Bike Night this Friday

Our annual Bike Knight is coming up this Friday, September 18th, and we would love to see you there. The link for our sign-up genius is below as we are still in need of a couple volunteers for set-up, popping popcorn, and clean-up. Though this is a 3rd/4th grade volunteer event, families in any grade are welcome to sign-up.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508094DABAF23ABFB6-65587259-bike>

Join Us for a Day of Kickball & Fellowship

Come out for some friendly competition, great company, and a whole lot of good food! We'll be kicking off a kickball game and hosting a chili cook-off — so bring your appetite and get ready to vote for your favorite.

Calling all chili contestants! Please make enough chili for 10 servings, and let us know what type you're bringing (e.g., traditional, white chicken, vegetarian, spicy, etc.) so we can place it in the right category for judging.

After judging, chili will be sold by the bowl! We'll also be collecting a **free-will offering** to help cover the cost of awards, with any extra proceeds going toward future events.

Bowls and cups will be provided, and tarps/tablecloths will be set up under the tables to keep things tidy.

Crockpot placement and extension cords are being worked out ahead of time, so contestants will be directed on where to set up when they arrive.

Sign up to be a contestant here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COC4DA4AF2BAAF8C07-63804296-chili>

Watch for more details - including drop-off times and instructions - coming soon. Thanks, and we can't wait to see you there!

Spirit Wear Order

We are excited that our Spirit Wear is available to all families. Students and staff may wear any St. Joseph School Spirit Wear/Campus Ministry shirt on Mondays. School pants must be worn. Below is the link to the store. **The store closes this Sunday, September 20th.**

When you are ordering Spirit Wear, students may wear any color spirit wear sweatshirt or other pull-over/zipper item any day of the week. Students must have a collared shirt underneath. This has never been a problem, so I do not foresee this being a problem this year.

<https://2026-st-joseph-catholic-school.itemorder.com/>



Parish News

Lessons and Carols

Students in grades four through eight are invited to join in our parish celebration of Lessons and Carols. Lessons and Carols is a prayer service that combines scripture readings, sacred music, and prayers that follow humankind from the fall of Adam through the birth of Christ. Rehearsals for children will be Thursdays from 6:00-6:30pm beginning September 17th in the Day Chapel. The performance date is Friday, December 11th at 7:00pm in the church.

Children will be singing and playing Glockenspiels (no experience necessary). Come sing with us and be part of this exciting new Advent celebration. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Koscinski at pkoscinski@yahoo.com.

Living Rosary - October 18th

Join us as we gather for the Living Rosary by Candlelight on Sunday, October 18th at 6:30pm. Sign up if you would like to be one of the candleholders and recite a prayer. Otherwise, just show up to pray with us.

Sign up here - [Living Rosary](#).

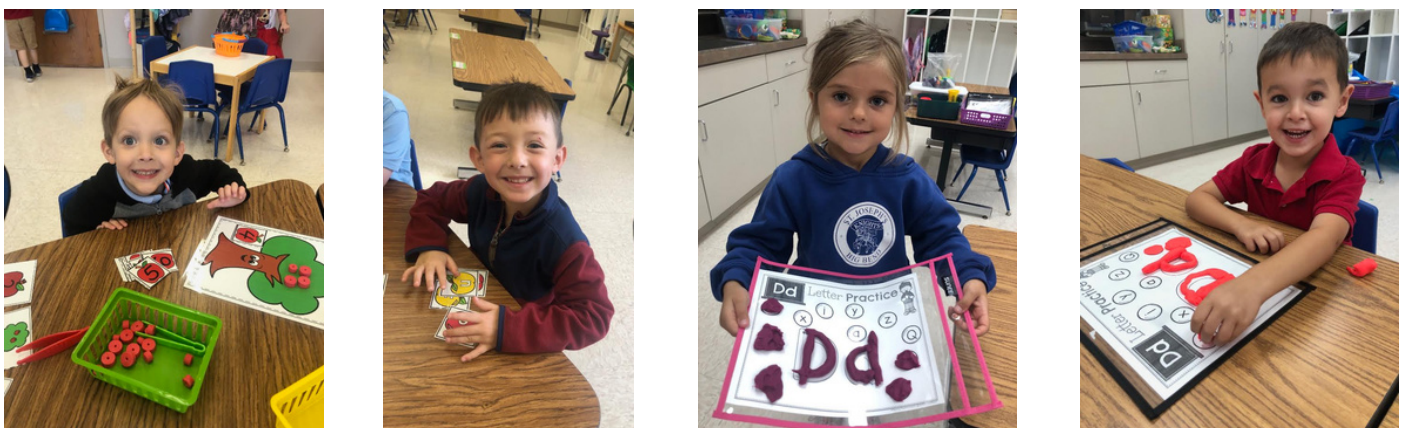


3K

Pencil name building, All About Me Week - we traced our friends to make giant self portraits, apple theme centers and apple picking listening game for large group.



4K



5K



1st Grade

Pattern Blocks, Polygons & Geoboards—Oh My!

Our first graders are busy building, creating, and thinking like mathematicians during **Bridges Math Work Places!**



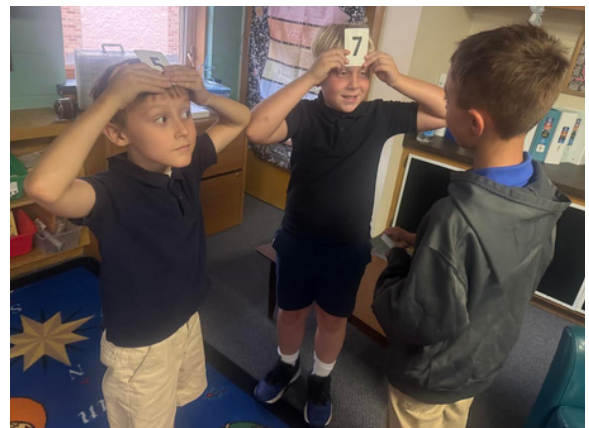
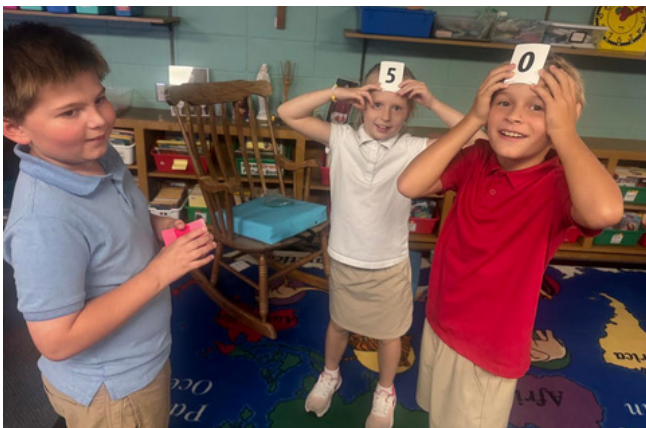
2nd Grade

First Friday means Adoration! 2nd Grade learned about Adoration and then went to spend some time in silent prayer with Jesus for the first time this school year.



3rd Grade

Third grade practiced their addition skills by playing Target Sum: 20. They also practiced their subtraction and addition by playing Heads Up Math. Students had to guess the number on their head after the referee gave them the sum of the two numbers.



4th Grade

The 4th graders are practicing their multiplication equations by playing Splat!



6th Grade

The 6th graders learned about the geography of Ancient Egypt and the Nile River valley by sculpting their own elevation map. Students made the salt dough with their own hands, then colored and labeled the maps.



8th Grade

The 8th graders took a break from Newton's Laws of Motion, and helped Mrs. Borges go through some donated materials to make sure each kit had all of its parts and were in working order.

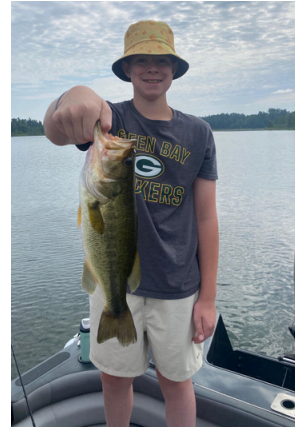


Art

All the classes did art projects related to our school theme - "Let Your Light Shine Before Others".



After making a request for more pictures of where the 8th graders wore their Cheese Hats, the pictures came in. The 8th graders took their hat with them on vacation to Punta Cana; Pigeon Forge, TN; Lake Tomahawk; Minocqua; Epcot; Hollywood Studios; Coronado Springs Resort in FL; Kentucky; New Jersey; North Carolina and of course locally too.



Athletics

Volleyball is just getting underway, and it is hard to believe that while we are just starting one sports season, it is already time to start thinking about the next one! **Basketball registration for the 2026–2027 season is now open!**

Registration is open to School & Religious Education Students in **4th–8th grade**. Practices will begin in **early November**, with the basketball season getting underway in **early December**. The season will run through the **end of February or beginning of March**.

This is a **great league for all our athletes**, whether your child has played basketball for years or is just getting started. It provides a fun and competitive environment where the girls and boys can continue to develop their skills, learn the game, compete, and most importantly, enjoy playing basketball with their friends and classmates. We would love to see as many of our St. Joseph students as possible participate!

Please complete your registration by **September 30th** using the link below:
[2026–2027 Basketball Registration](#)

Athletic Spotlight: Great Job, Abe & Daniel!

Abe and Daniel are crushing it on the volleyball court this season! They have already played a ton of great matches, competing hard in the **St. Leonard's tournament** and regular **league games**.

Most recently, the duo brought home a fantastic **3rd place finish at the St. Jerome tournament!** Way to go, boys—keep up the great serves, spectacular volleys, and awesome wins!





LEGO[®] CLUB

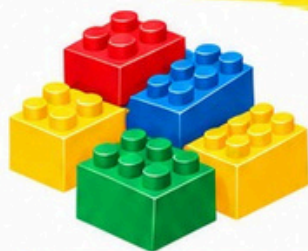


Build • Create • Share • Have Fun!



**Every 3rd Tuesday
of Each Month**

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm
October 2026 – May 2027



Join us for LEGO Club! Kids will have the chance to build, imagine, and create with LEGO bricks, while working on teamwork, problem-solving, and creativity!

Cost:
\$10
per child
(per year)



2026 – 2027 DATES

October 20, 2026

November 17, 2026

December 15, 2026

January 19, 2027

February 16, 2027

March 16, 2027

April 20, 2027

May 18, 2027



Same great fun. New creations each month!



LEGO Club Permission Slip



I give my child permission to participate in LEGO Club,
which will be held every 3rd Tuesday of each month
from October 2026 through May 2027.

Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____



Welcome to St. Joeseeph School's Culinary Club!



OUR GOALS:

- *LEARN LIFE SKILLS*
- *KNOW WHAT IS IN WHAT YOU EAT*
- *TRY NEW FOODS*
- *COOK FOR AND WITH YOUR FAMILY*



School Subjects Continued

Science: How does food change with heat? Which ingredients cause different effects?

Chemistry: Measuring and mixing ingredients.

Math: Conversions of measurements. Multiplying and dividing recipes.

Health: What is good for you?

Social Studies: Family generations pass down recipes and traditions.

Art: Plating, colors and decorating. We "eat with our eyes first".



Club Rules

- Safety is first always. Any action deemed to be unsafe for you or others, will result in your removal from the club. This is a very strict, one-strike rule. **No exceptions.**
- Wash hands often! No licking of fingers. Use tasting spoons.
- Review the recipe before starting – ensure you have what you need.
- Keep your station tidy. Clean as you go! Spills get immediate attention.
- Clean up when you are done. Leave the space cleaner than when you started.
- No negative criticism of other's food. We are here to learn and have fun.

Culinary Club St. Joseph School, Big Bend 2026/2027 \$45

Tom McClusky

Culinary Club will provide 5th – 8th grade students with a chance to learn:

- Kitchen Safety
 - Heat Danger
 - Knife Handling and Awareness
 - Food Safety
 - Preservation
 - Sanitation
- Kitchen Skills
 - Knife Usage and Care
 - Measurements
 - Understanding Fractions
 - Portion Multiplication
 - Ingredient Blending
 - Sour vs Sweet vs Spicy vs Savory
 - Substitutions
 - Plating and Presentation

Wed	10/14
Wed	11/11
Wed	12/16
Wed	1/13
Wed	3/10
Wed	4/14
Wed	5/12

Note: There will be no February club as we would interfere with Ash Wednesday, and other clubs should we change.

Each session will focus on a particular dish or food item that they will be able to take home to enjoy. The secondary goal would be to take the skills learned and make that same thing with the family. Creating life-long memories is the bonus! Example: We may make mini pumpkin pies that with ingredient multiplication, can be turned into a family desert with the help of family members.

I would encourage any available parents to sit in and assist when available. Watching your child learn certain kitchen skills, then repeating with them that weekend, becomes a great memory builder and confidence enhancer for any student. Their contribution to family meals will also have lasting effects.

STUDENT NAME _____ GRADE _____

Permission

- I give permission for my student to participate in St. Joseph School's Culinary Club
- I understand that the kitchen environment poses minor danger
- I understand that if my child does not follow expectations and proper safety procedures, they will not be allowed to return (parent notified) ***
- My child has a foodborne allergy to _____
- My child is restricted from (foods) _____
- Following Culinary Club, my child will be (Circle one):
 - Picked Up
 - Attend ASK

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

I Can Help on This (These) Date(s): _____

Office Use: Paid \$45 for the season

LEGO STEM

Build it. Break it. Code it. Build it again.

LEGO STEM Club is a hands-on hour where kids design, test, and rebuild — bridges, gears, catapults, and whatever else survives the first try. No experience needed, just curiosity.

2nd Tuesday

of every month • 2:30–4:00 PM

Where: 4th Grade Room

Who: Grades 5–8



● Sign Up Here

Fill in below and return to the front office, or drop it in the club mailbox.

CHILD'S NAME

GRADE / TEACHER

PARENT / GUARDIAN NAME

PHONE NUMBER

EMAIL ADDRESS

ALLERGIES / NOTES

Questions? Reach out to **Christopher Peterson** at
ccp.chris@gmail.com.

Free to join



CHILI COOK-OFF

10.11.2026 11:30am -1:30pm

BEST Chili Award

Kickball Match

Chili will be available to purchase



Hot Prizes for the best
chili!

Sign up [here](#)!!

Event to take place at St. Joseph Parish
S89W22650 Milwaukee Ave., Big Bend, WI
parish@stjoesbb.com (262) 662.2832



Kickball Game - Join us for a fun, family-friendly
kickball game for all ages! No experience needed—
just come ready to have fun.

BRING THE HEAT!



Chess Scholars

Fall 2026

St. Joseph School



Grades K-8



Develop your child's intellect through the royal game of chess! Current research has shown a strong link between chess and academic performance in a variety of areas, including mathematics and language arts. Chess has been proven to enhance children's motivation, concentration, focus, social skills, and creativity.

Each class will consist of a fun, interactive teaching period and guided practice time. Both beginner and experienced players are welcome and will learn under the guidance of an experienced Chess Scholars coach.

Schedule: 7 Mondays, November 2nd - December 14th, 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM

To sign up, please visit <https://programs.afterschoolenrichmentsolutions.com/>

You will need to enter the course code **BIG11.2.26** to register. Please register by 10pm PST on 10/23 for the early bird price of \$115.50.

Chess Scholars/AES is a third-party program provider not associated with the school district, please direct all inquiries and communication regarding our programs directly. Contact us with inquiries or if you'd like assistance registering at 847-482-9999

All participants must conduct themselves in a manner that allows all students to fully participate during the class without impeding their experience. We have a no refund policy, unless there is insufficient enrollment. No make-ups will be scheduled for inclement weather or circumstances beyond our control. Please be aware of this as there will be no refunds. It's the parents' responsibility to remind the children about the classes.



JOIN US FOR

St. Joe's Annual

BIKE KNIGHT



WHEN: Friday, September 18th



TIME: 5:30-7:30



WHERE: St. Joe's back parking lot

OPEN TO ALL AGES.

We will have 2 loops separated by ages.



ADULTS: bring a chair and any beverages you and your family would like.



BRING BIKES OR SCOOTERS

(non-motorized, please) for a fun evening of mingling with school families.





Mukwonago Area School District - Preschool Screening

Mukwonago High School 605 W Veterans Way

November 2, 2026 | 3:30 PM – 6:30 PM

November 12, 2026 | 3:30 PM – 6:30 PM

- ★ Do you have concerns about your child's development? If so, you are encouraged to register.
- ★ For children between 3–5 years old who are not attending 5-year-old kindergarten. Non-MASD residents must be enrolled in an MASD school-aged program.
- ★ Cognitive development, personal/social skills, fine motor (small muscle), gross motor (large muscle), adaptive, speech/language, hearing, and vision. This screening is **NOT** 4K or 5K kindergarten screening.
- ★ Free of charge. It takes approximately 45–60 minutes.
- ★ Appointments are required. To schedule, please contact Alexandra Drew:
 - ★ **Phone:** 262-363-6300 x24201
 - ★ **Email:** drewal@masd.k12.wi.us

