

*Under the guidance of Saint Joseph, Patron Saint of the Universal Church, Saint Joseph School endeavors to achieve academic excellence in a faith-filled and safe environment. School staff and parents collaborate to develop students' spiritual, intellectual, emotional, and physical well-being in a traditional Catholic setting.*

April 27, 2022

Dear Parents,

I hope that you have had a beautiful Easter week vacation and have taken time to relax and renew your energy for the upcoming weeks of school. The Triduum liturgies as well as the Easter Sunday liturgy were most meaningful and significant as we celebrate Jesus' rising from the dead.

Last week, we received word that two of our students, Autumn Chartier, Grade 1, and Hannah Sypher, Grade 5, won the state awards in the annual Zaner-Bloser Handwriting contest! We are very proud of their achievement!!

Also, Jeanie Perry, a seventh grader, who has been battling chronic recurrent multifocal osteomyelitis since third grade and is now in remission, so we are all so happy for her!

Enclosed you will find progress reports for your child/ren. Although this is optional for the third trimester, some teachers still like to give them to all of their students.

Also enclosed you will find:

- a form for scoliosis screening for all middle school students;
- a form for ordering Hanging Baskets for Mothers' Day. If you wish to purchase one, the form is due on May 4<sup>th</sup>;
- A letter for parents of First Communicants along with a photo form.
- Talent Show Flyer

At the beginning of Lent, we gave each student a container to save mission money for the Rice Bowl Mission collection. If your child participated in this and has not yet handed in their box, please have him/her do so sometime this week.

Many thanks to Mrs. Marta Kulmowski and Mrs. Maria Lopez-Hernandez for overseeing the Kielbasa fund raiser.

Again, we are asking for help in our Annual Road Race which will take place this Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, starting at 8:00 a.m. We are hoping that many of our students will participate in this fun event. We also need donations of refreshments, etc. listed in the accompanying letter as well as parent volunteers to help with registration, giving out "Grab and Go" bags after the race, and for clean-up. We are also having the Annual

Father-Daughter Dance taking place that evening, (6:00 – 8:00 p.m.) so we could use the help to clean up after one event in order to get ready for the next event. We are hoping that all of the dads (or grandfather, uncles, God fathers) are ready to dance up a storm with your beautiful daughters!!

Last month we had a T shirt contest for our upcoming Road Race. There were nine place winners: 1<sup>st</sup> place – Brianna Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> place - Zane Tanksley, 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Rad Tanksley, 4<sup>th</sup> place – Catherine Wigfield, 5<sup>th</sup> place – Andrew Landolphi, 6<sup>th</sup> place – Alexis Wray, 7<sup>th</sup> place – Hannah Sypher, 8<sup>th</sup> place – Brendan McMahon, 9<sup>th</sup> place – Paul Martin. Congratulations!!

We are in the midst of Spirit Week and the Penny Challenge, and we are having some fun with it. We are also having fun identifying staff and student baby pictures.

As we look ahead for our Annual Spring Concert and Art Show, all students are to participate. The dress code is as follow: Girls – modest dress or skirt and blouse, socks/stockings, dress shoes; Boys – dress shirt, dress pants, regular tie or bow tie, socks, and dress or school shoes. **Boots or boot-like shoes, flip flops or backless sandals are not permitted.**

There will be a planning meeting for Field Day on Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. in the church parking lot. This meeting is for old and new volunteers. We look forward to seeing you. For any questions, please contact Mr. Wigfield at [dwigfield@gmail.com](mailto:dwigfield@gmail.com).

### **LOOKING AHEAD**

<b>Saturday, April 30th</b>	<b>Annual Road Race, starting at 8:00 a.m. Annual Father-Daughter Dance 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Dr. Gail Kingston, Superintendent, visits our school</b>
<b>Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>First Friday Mass at 9:00 a.m. Parents are invited to attend. 12:30 p.m. dismissal. Aftercare provided. 1:00 p.m. staff meeting Talent Show at 6:30 p.m. in the gym</b>
<b>Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>First Holy Communion Mass at 10:00 a.m. First Holy Communion May crowning and reception in the gym following Mass</b>
<b>Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Spring Concert and Art Show at 7:00 p.m. in St. Michael Center</b>

God bless you and have a great week!

Sincerely in Jesus and Mary,

Sister Mary Patrick, SCMC  
Principal