

St. Joseph Catholic School Newsletter

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Growing in faith and knowledge to serve God and community.

St. Joseph Catholic School Mission

Newsletter Newsletters are posted each Tuesday to our school website. Be sure to check out the website on a regular basis as new items are added routinely. www.stjosephellinwood.com/school On occasions, like today, we have handouts to distribute so please check your child's bookbag on a weekly basis as well.

School Pictures Dale Riggs of Riggs Studio will be on hand this Thursday, August 31, to take school pictures.

Fundraiser One of the new fundraisers we're trying out is Lotto St. Joe. We started it last year after two different parishioners had suggested the idea. Each student is asked to sell at least two tickets which are being sent home today. Please read the explanation sheet carefully for directions. If you have questions, please contact the school office or Angie Gunn.

No School We will not have school on Monday, September 4, in observance of Labor Day.

Handbook In the past, during the first week of school we would send home a handbook for each family. We have now posted the handbook to our website. Please take a few minutes to go online and look through the handbook. It is there for you anytime you might have school policy questions. A new policy has been added to the handbook titled Unpaid Meal Charges. It can be found in the Cafeteria section of the handbook.

Scrip A reminder that all SJS families have committed to purchasing \$200 of scrip (certificates/gift cards) monthly. If you have not yet purchased EFF, Wal-Mart or Amazon scrip, please find your way into the school or church office to purchase scrip. Many families purchased scrip at enrollment which was wonderful. Please continue to purchase scrip before you shop!

Clip and Earn! An easy way to earn money for our school is to clip Box Tops for Education and Best Choice Labels. Each Box Top earns us 10 cents. For Best Choice Labels we earn \$30 for every 1,000 labels.

For more information on the Box Tops for Education program, including a list of participating products and our school's progress, visit www.BTFE.com. Be sure to become a member to receive exclusive coupons and recipes and learn about extra ways for our school to earn. If you have questions, call the school office. Let's make our school's Box Tops for Education program a huge success this year!

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Weekend Mass Each week I will close the newsletter with the scripture readings for the coming weekend's masses. Reading and discussing the scriptures prior to weekend mass with your family is a great way to prepare to celebrate mass. It's always interesting to hear Father's take on the Gospel when you've read it ahead of time and have your own thoughts on the scripture meaning!

Weekend mass times are at 5:00pm Saturday and 10:30am Sunday. This is the twenty-second Sunday in ordinary time. Press the CTRL key then click on this link to find the scripture readings for this weekend. <http://www.ewtn.com/devotionals/inspiration.htm>

Father will read from the Gospel of Matthew 16:21-27 "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." How can I help my children name their crosses, take up their crosses, and follow Jesus?

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