

St. Joseph Catholic School Newsletter

September 29, 2026

Growing in faith and knowledge to serve God and community.

St. Joseph Catholic School Mission

October It's hard to believe we are already at the end of September! The school year is truly off and running.

October is shaping up to be a busy and exciting month! We have Grandfriend Mass & Bingo, Parent Teacher Conferences and, of course, we are beginning to prepare for our German Buffet on Sunday, November 1.

We are so thankful for our wonderful families and the partnership you share with our teachers and school. We have a lot of great things ahead—let's make October a great month!

German Buffet We are only about a month away from our German Buffet! If you did not have a chance to read the parent letter from Megan Martinez last week, please take a few minutes to read it this week and let Megan know where you can help. There are many different jobs and ways to volunteer!

German Buffett Raffle tickets will be coming home soon, so please help your child sell tickets to family, friends, and others in our community. We have many great prizes, including a \$1,000 grand prize! Raffle ticket sales are an important part of making our fundraiser successful.

Thank you for helping make our German Buffet a wonderful tradition for St. Joseph Catholic School and for supporting our students and school!

Educonnect Please remember that you can check your child's grades, assignments, and academic progress anytime through Educonnect. Checking regularly is a great way to stay informed about your child's schoolwork and celebrate their progress. If you have questions or need help accessing your account, please contact the school office.

RaiseRight Bonus Fest Another great opportunity to raise funds for our school with RaiseRight will begin October 2 and run through October 25. Shop new bonuses every weekend, Friday-Sunday. Bonuses start each weekend at 12:00 am ET Friday and end at 11:59 pm ET Sunday. Offers will be announced each Friday via email and on Facebook.

Ministry Schedule The ministry schedule for October has been posted on our website, <https://www.stjosephellinwood.com>, please check to see if you or your family have been scheduled for a ministry you volunteered to do. If you have a conflict with the weekend you are scheduled, please trade with someone. It is important that everyone fulfill their weekend obligation.

Upcoming dates

- **Buses will not run on October 5th- full day of school!**
- **Early Dismissal- October 12th- buses will not run**
- **End of 1st quarter- October 16th**
- **Grandfriend Mass- October 23rd**
- **No School- Teacher Inservice- October 30th**
- **German Buffett- November 1st**
- **Music Program- November 18th**
- ***Confirmation for 7th & 8th Grade April 10, 2027***

Weekend Mass Weekend Mass times are 5:00pm Saturday and 9:00 am Sunday. Servers for Saturday, October 3rd are Jaxon Lewis and Jackson Joiner. Servers for Sunday, October 4th are Noah Resner and Brody Brack. Scrip sellers for this weekend are: Saturday are Melissa Doll and/or Tania Wirtz. Sunday is Karina Delgadillo.

Mrs. Laurie Kolling

Principal

Scroll down to read the note about the German Buffet.

St. Joseph Parents

I am sending out a reminder that it is time to start thinking about our annual German Buffet. For those of you who are new to our school, the German Buffet is our biggest fundraiser of the year. It is held on the first Sunday of November, which falls on the 1st this year. The students at St. Joseph sell raffle tickets for many great prizes, and the parents combine their efforts to serve a German-themed meal to nearly 600 people.

This is a huge undertaking for our small school, but it is a success year after year due to the hard work of our dedicated students and parents. If you have served in the past, thank you for your service. If I was unable to speak with you at enrollment, I will be contacting those of you who served on committees last year to confirm that you can help again this year.

If you are new to the German Buffet, you may be contacted to serve on a committee, or a committee member may call you to assist them on their committee. You may also be asked to bake a dessert item or bring ingredients for other dishes. We need ALL parents to help out in multiple ways in order to make this a successful fundraiser.

The men will gather one evening to do sausage. The date will be determined as it gets closer. Call/Text Austin Zink at (620)708-0035 if you are willing to help.

Again, thank you in advance for your help with multiple tasks to accomplish this large fundraiser.

God's Blessings,

Megan Martinez

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