

**January 26, 2024**

**Coming Events:**

- January 31: 5th Grade DARE graduation 1:15 in the cafeteria
- January 29-February 2: Catholic Schools Week (see below)
- February 3: *Black and White Knight* Gala and Auction
- February 5: 7th Grade boys Basketball Championship at SJS
- February 6: 8th Grade boys Basketball Championship at SJS

**Friendly Reminder From: Nurse Kimberly Schrecke** Per our student/parent handbook page 15– Cases of illnesses spanning more than three days require a note from the doctor. If a child is absent due to a communicable virus or disease, parents should notify the school so that the teacher can be alert for symptoms in other children. If illness requires a doctor's visit, a note stating the date a child may return to school must be turned into the office. Thank you for cooperation, feel free reach out with any questions.

**NATIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK:  
UNITED IN FAITH AND COMMUNITY**

January 28-February 3, 2024

Door Decorating Contest: Theme: "I am with you always!"  
Doors finished by January 26. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place classrooms.  
Writing Contest: "Why I love my Catholic School" - Prize for winner in each grade

<b>Sunday</b> Jan. 28	<b>CELEBRATING OUR PARISHES</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wear your Mass Day Uniform to church!</li> <li>Ambassadors speak at area parishes</li> </ul>
<b>Monday</b> Jan. 29	<b>CELEBRATING OUR VOLUNTEERS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spirit wear and uniform bottoms</li> <li>Volunteer Appreciation</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday</b> Jan. 30	<b>CELEBRATING OUR STUDENTS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Out of uniform day</li> <li>Archdiocesan Mass in Louisville (Ambassadors will represent SJS)</li> <li>Treat for all students (compliments of the PTO)</li> <li>Activity in the afternoon</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday</b> Jan. 31	<b>CELEBRATING OUR COMMUNITY</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mass Day Uniform</li> <li>All School Mass</li> <li>Service Projects in classrooms</li> <li>Classroom Projects on display for in-person viewing 8-9:30 a.m. and 2-4 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday</b> Feb. 1	<b>CELEBRATING OUR FACULTY AND STAFF</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dress like your favorite teacher</li> <li>Make a card for your teacher</li> <li>Jeans Day for faculty and staff</li> <li>Traveling Tom's Coffee Truck</li> <li>Faculty lunch (compliments of the PTO)</li> </ul>
<b>Friday</b> Feb. 2	<b>CELEBRATING OUR FAMILIES AND VOCATIONS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Class shirts and uniform bottoms</li> <li>First Friday Adoration in the chapel to pray for our families and vocations: each class will sign up for a time to pray</li> </ul>
<b>Saturday</b> Feb. 3	<b>CELEBRATING OUR SJS COMMUNITY</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Black and White Knight</li> <li>All families can register to participate in the silent and classroom project auction.</li> </ul>



**Black and White Knight Tickets:**

The Black & White Knight event is **sold out!** If you would like to be added to the waiting list, please contact the school office.



Thank you to the families who have already returned their sold raffle tickets. As of January 25, approximately 3/4 of school families have returned tickets, with over 50 families remaining. We are 57% of the way to our raffle ticket sales goal.

We ask each family to sell the three \$20 tickets provided to earn a Choose Your Shoes Day for your family. Teachers and Faculty who sell three tickets also receive a jeans day on February 9.

Tickets will be available for purchase at the Archery Tournament, after many of the area church masses this weekend, and at the class project preview event on January 31.

11th ANNUAL **Black & White Knight** BOWTIES & BLING

*silent auction*  
NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE!

VIEW LIVE AUCTION ITEMS, TOO!



THE SILENT AUCTION WILL OPEN FOR BIDDING ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST AT 12:00PM

**WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE ARE TAKING OUR SILENT AUCTION ONLINE THIS YEAR!**

Whether you're able to join us at the live event or want to support SJS from home, you will be able to view, bid, win and pay for all silent auction items - including class projects - from your computer or mobile device. Get alerts when you've been outbid or set your max bid and let it ride. Don't forget to snag a No Code Day pass for your SJS Family, or favorite SJS staff, too!

- Classroom Projects
- SJS Experiences
- "No Code Day" Passes
- Items from Local Businesses
- Direct Donations
- ... and much, much more!!!

Follow the QR code above to create your bidder account, add your method of payment and start browsing!

*Items will continue to be added daily.*

**REGISTER TODAY!**

*"I Still Do"*  
MARRIAGE RETREAT

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17- 2:30PM-8:30PM**  
SAINT JAMES- RODNEY THOMAS ROOM

**REGISTRATION IS OPEN**  
**JANUARY 1-JANUARY 31**

**\$50 RETREAT COST INCLUDES:**

- APPETIZERS
- DINNER
- DESSERT

**THREE TALKS BY GUEST SPEAKERS:**

- DR. BILL BELLET, PHD & MRS. MARIE BELLET
- INDIVIDUAL TIME WITH SPOUSE

- MASS
- ADORATION
- GIFT

Contact Olivia Dvorjak at the Parish Office for questions!



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It's no secret that marriage can be difficult, yet easy, while also edifying and sanctifying! Would you like to enrich your marriage and listen to topics such as the psychology of marriage, forgiveness in marriage, and transformation through irritation in marriage? See the flyer for details!

<https://www.stjames-etown.org/faith-formation/adult-faith-formation/marriage-enrichment/>