

February 14, 2020

Dear Families,

Happy Valentine's Day! I am writing this newsletter to inform you about the current events at St. James Parochial School. The newsletter is also found on our website.

Prayer for those Suffering from Viruses and Flu Epidemics

Merciful God, hear our fervent prayer for all who suffer from viruses and flu epidemics.

May those who are infected receive the proper treatment and the comfort of your healing presence.

May their caregivers, families and neighbors be shielded from the onslaught on the viruses and epidemics.

Give solace to those who grieve the loss of loved ones.

Protect and guide those who strive to find a cure, that their work may conquer the disease and restore communities to wholeness and health.

Help us to rise above fear. We ask all this through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes, and in the name of your Son, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen

- The Diocesan Catholic School Basketball Tournament has been scheduled for February 29-March 1 at St. Bernard's High School in Uncasville.
- Condolences to Mrs. Hanley on the death of her father in Florida on Sunday. Prayers and thoughts are with Mrs. Hanley and her family.
- Any student who would like to enter the yearbook cover contest is to contact Mrs. A a@arsenaultstjames@yahoo.com. The theme is Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed. All entries are due on March 13, 2020. Good luck!
- Mrs. Sue Griffiths has offered a French class after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays. There was a fantastic response for French: The students participating in French are as follows: Sophie Craig, Amelia Griffiths, Ginevra MacFarland, Giana Milardo, Tryston Montecalvo, Audrey Nattress, Owen O'Toole, Natalie Perez, Everly Senical, Lacey Anderson, Samuel Blevins, Isabella Bernado, Greyson Cardinal, Zachary Cote, Aden Ferri, Shea Perez, Jacob Reis, Khloe Senical, Caroline Colligan, Michael Cote, Kathryn Isbell, Kelsey Lachendro, Carter Marshall, Jacob Martel, Michael Matrone, Tenley Montecalvo, Angelo Trayner, Gabriella LePine, Savionne Vandeboncoeur, Gabriella Cote, Caleb Hanley, Jeena Ann Kidambi, Daniel Marshall, Aaron Barnwell and Zachary Litke.

- The ACRE Testing for students in Grades 5 and 8 will be scheduled for the week of March 9-13th. Last year, students completed the testing online. However, a decision made by the superintendent and the Diocesan principals was to have the original 'paper' testing booklets for the students. More information will be forthcoming.
- Michael James Matte and his 4 daughters will perform a concert for us on March 10th at 9 A.M. Through music they will teach and preach about the Love of Christ. The concert is approximately 90 minutes of entertainment. The presentation was recommended by the Diocese of Norwich.
- A special thanks to Mr. Charles DeSignore for installing the new fire door for us on Wednesday. This is a new half door heading down to the cafeteria that needed to be replaced because the old door wasn't in compliance with the Fire Building Code. We will need a coat of paint and the project will be completed.
- Reminder: The deadline for the Catholic Foundation Scholarship monies is March 5th. No late or incomplete entries will be accepted. All applications must be completed online. Thank you.
- Reminder: The St. James Church Weekly Bulletin is on the school's website. Please take a few moments to read about the school and church activities. Father John has a weekly column with great thoughts, stories, and memories.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email c.benoit@stjamesdanielson.org or l.joyal@stjamesdanielson.org. Have a great weekend!

Blessings,

Linda Marie Joyal/Principal