

May 5, 2017

Dear Families,

Hello! I am writing this letter to inform you of the latest news at St. James Parochial School. You may also find this letter on our St. James Website.

- On Sunday, April 30th 2017, Father John and Deacon Rene celebrated an athletic mass. Father John recognized all the athletes, coaches, and athletic director. He also recognized coaches and students from the surrounding towns. The St. James athletes prepared the mass.
- Students are still being tested with the Iowa Assessments and Cognitive Abilities Test. All testing will be completed by May 12th.
- Students attended the 1st Friday Mass prepared by Grade 4 students and Mrs. LaPointe.
- Students participated in the May Crowning Ceremony organized by the Pre-K 4 class and Mrs. Brown.
- Reminder: Please continue to sell your raffle tickets. Dollar for Dollar will be deducted from your tuition account. Thank you.
- Our Child Nutrition Review went very well. Jackie Schipke, Education Consultant, reviewed our breakfast and lunch programs. We have to follow specific guidelines concerning nutrition for our programs. A special thanks to Karen Light for all her preparation work and making sure our cafeteria food and environment is safe and clean.
- Mrs. Fauxbel students will be making their First Communion on Saturday, May 6th at 4:30 P.M. All are invited to attend the Mass.
- Summer Camp Reminder: If you are planning to have your child attend Summer Camp, please complete the Registration Form. Field Trips have been planned for the weeks. We need to have accurate staffing for the entire week along with weekly field trips.
- Teacher Appreciation Week begins on Monday, May 8th -12th. Sue Bertram and Melissa Barnwell have worked on activities/events for the week. Flyers have been sent home with the children describing each specific day.
- On May 12th is the Athletic Banquet beginning at 6:00 P.M. in our school gym.
- Mrs. Claire Despathy has scheduled a Spring Book Fair the week of May 23, 2017. You can purchase one book and get another book free. A great deal! A flyer will be sent home shortly.
- Students in Grade 8 have final exams in their core subjects on May 15,16, &17th.
- On May 25th is an Ascension Mass prepared by the students in Grade 3 and Mrs. Arsenault at 9 A.M.
- On May 26th is an Early Dismissal Day. The students will have a Dress Down Day.
- Release of Student Records—Current or Paid-Up Accounts: According to the Diocese of Norwich Manual of Policies and Procedures (#5120), I would like to inform families of the following: “No official transcript or diploma will be released from any elementary or secondary school in the Diocese of Norwich until all tuition and fee accounts are judged to be current or paid in full by the local school authority. Verbal grades may be released to aid in student placement. Prior to official enrollment of a student transferring from another elementary or secondary school in the Diocese of Norwich, the local school authority of the receiving school shall verify that tuition and fee accounts are judged to be current or paid in full by the school of last attendance. Verbal grades may be requested to assist in preliminary scheduling.” If not returning, please pay your lunch fees, extended day fees and return all library books.
- On May 10th is National School Nurse Day. It is time to celebrate our school nurses especially Mrs. Markley who continues to provide students and staff concerning their health needs on a daily basis. Mrs. Markley has the skills to implement care for students with chronic and medically complex conditions and to respond appropriately to potential emergencies. Thank you, Mrs. Markley.
- A special thanks to Gayle Olivo for planting the pansies in the front of our building. They are beautiful! Thank you.

- On May 10th, St. James students will be inducted into the National Junior Honor Society at 1:00 P.M. in the church.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the main office. Have a great weekend!

Sincerely,

Linda Marie Joyal/Principal