

April 2, 2023

Good Morning!



"Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." *Philippians 2:7-8*

How can you empty yourself out for the love of God as you enter into Holy Week?
#besustained

Between the Masses:

- ~Bible Study
- ~RCIA
- ~Religious Education

- ~First Sunday Eucharistic Adoration after the 11:00 Mass from 12:00 - 3:00 pm
- ~Divine Mercy Chaplet and Penitential Prayers, 3:00 pm

1. Today's Readings: [Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion | USCCB](#)

2. The RE Corner with Jan Heithaus: Each day during this Holy Week, we will provide a meditation for the day by (or based on) the writings of the saints. Today's includes thoughts by a few saints and popes.

3. Quotes of the Day:

~“Oh, what awesome mysteries take place during Mass! One day we will know what God is doing for us in each Mass, and what sort of gift He is preparing in it for us. Only His divine love could permit that such a gift be provided for us. O Jesus, my Jesus, with what great pain is my soul pierced when I see this fountain of life gushing forth with such sweetness and power for each soul, while at the same time I see souls withering away and drying up through their own fault. O Jesus, grant that the power of mercy embrace these souls.” St. Maria Faustina Kowalska

St. Joseph, Pray for Us!

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Meditations: Palm Sunday



OUR LORD ENTERS Jerusalem amid great acclaim. The One who had always opposed any public display of praise, who had hidden when the people wanted to make him King, today lets himself be brought into the Holy City in triumph. Only now, when he knows death is near, does he agree to be hailed as the Messiah. Jesus knows that, in reality, he will reign from the Cross, since the same people who now joyfully acclaim him will soon abandon him and lead him to Calvary. The palms will become whips; the olive branches, thorns; the cheers, merciless jeers.

The liturgy, with the ceremony of the blessing of the palms and the texts of the Mass (including the account our Lord's Passion), shows how closely united joy and suffering are in Christ's life. Saint Bernard points to the close union between laughter and lamentation on this day. The Church "shows us today the new and marvelous union between the passion and the procession; the procession produces acclaim, the passion, lamentation."^[1]

Saint Josemaría said: "The palm leaves,' writes Saint Augustine, 'symbolize homage, for they stand for victory. Our Lord is on the point of conquering by dying on the Cross. Under the sign of the Cross, he is about to triumph over the devil, the

prince of death.' Christ is our peace because he is the Victor."^[2] Reading the account of the Passion presents us with many persons who played a role in that scene, few of whom suspected the victory Christ would soon attain. We can ask ourselves this week as we relive these events: "Where is my own heart? Which of these people do I resemble?"^[3] How strong is my faith when I contemplate the crucial events the Church invites us to appreciate more fully during these days?

The scene of Jesus' triumphal procession contains another striking contrast. Amid the people's loud and superficial enthusiasm, the silent figure of a faithful and obedient donkey stands out, who is carrying our Lord. "A donkey was Jesus' throne in Jerusalem. Look how wonderful it is to serve as a throne for our Lord."^[4] The humble animal, trotting as gracefully as he can, walks on the cloaks the people have spread on the road to honor Jesus' arrival—some possibly of expensive silk and fine linen, worn by important people. But while the others offer objects, the donkey gives himself. He carries the gentle weight of Jesus on his rough back. The people run beside him, waving olive branches, palms and laurels. But no one, not even the apostles themselves, is as close to our Lord as the donkey is.

"If Jesus' reign in my soul, in your soul, meant that he should find it a perfect dwelling place, then indeed we would have reason to despair. But 'fear not, daughter of Sion; beloved, your king is coming, sitting on an ass' colt.' Don't you see? Jesus makes do with a poor animal for a throne. I don't know about you; but I am not humiliated to acknowledge that in the Lord's eyes I am a beast of burden: 'I am like a donkey in your presence, but I am continually with you. You hold my right hand,' you take me by the bridle ... A donkey lives on a meagre diet, is hardworking and has a quick, cheerful trot. There are hundreds of animals more beautiful, more deft and strong. But it was a donkey Christ chose when he presented himself to the people as king in response to their acclamation. For Jesus has no time for calculations, for astuteness, for the cruelty of cold hearts, for attractive but empty beauty. What he likes is the cheerfulness of a young heart, a simple step, a natural voice, clean eyes, attention to his affectionate word of advice. That is how he reigns in the soul."^[5]

During this Holy Week, we too would like to be more attentive to God's voice. We don't want to miss any gesture, any word, any sentiment of Jesus during these days that give meaning to our own lives.

“What is really happening in the hearts of those who acclaim Christ as King of Israel? Clearly, they had their own idea of the Messiah, an idea of how the long-awaited King promised by the prophets should act. Not by chance, a few days later, instead of acclaiming Jesus, the Jerusalem crowd will cry out to Pilate: ‘Crucify him!’, while the disciples, together with others who had seen him and listened to him, will be struck dumb and disperse. The majority, in fact, were disappointed by the way Jesus chose to present himself as Messiah and King of Israel. This is the heart of today’s feast, for us too.”^[6]

The experience of those who received Jesus with palms that day can help us to consider what our own idea of Jesus is, what our idea of his reign is. It may happen, for example, that we are sometimes disappointed at how the redemption is being carried out, at its apparently slow pace. Sometimes we want God to triumph quickly, confusing our plans with his. We resist accepting that God is determined not to compromise our freedom nor that of those around us. His love is so refined that it is never imposed. He refuses to take advantage, for example, of the people’s acclaim for his own benefit.

“The heart of Jesus was moving on another track, on the sacred path known to him and the Father alone: the path that leads from ‘the form of God’ to ‘the form of a servant,’ the path of self-abasement born of obedience ‘unto death, even death on a cross’ (Phil 2:6-8). He knows that true triumph involves *making room for God*.”^[7] It means making room for the silent and yet powerful action of God, who makes all things new through the Son’s love for the Father.

And on this path, we find the first and most faithful follower of Jesus, his mother Mary. “She is not to be found amid the palms at Jerusalem ... But she doesn’t flee from the contempt at Golgotha; there she stands, *juxta crucem Jesu*, beside his Cross.”^[8] And we, by an undeserved grace, can be close beside her.

[1] Saint Bernard, Sermon on Palm Sunday, 1, 1.

[2] Saint Josemaría, *Christ is Passing By*, no. 73.

[3] Francis, Homily, 13 April 2014.

[4] Saint Josemaría, Notes from a family get-together, October 1965.

[5] Saint Josemaría, *Christ is Passing By*, no. 181.

[6] Benedict XVI, Homily, 1 April 2012.

[7] Francis, Homily, 14 April 2019.

[8] Saint Josemaría, *The Way*, no. 507.



“For God so loved the world that he gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

- John 3:16

March 31, 2023

Our mission is to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, which will prepare us for outstanding achievements in all aspects of life. Our education will enable us to realize spiritual, intellectual, moral, and social growth in a safe, disciplined, family-oriented environment.

Virtue † Academic Excellence † Discipleship

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Important...

LAST DAY!



Save on School Uniforms & Everything Else!

40% OFF

***Save on swim, sweats
and other seasonal favorites!***

March 18-31, 2023

Share this email with your school community today!

**CODE: DESK
PIN: 2886**

Tonight...

Friday Nights in Lent

Each week a different group will provide a meatless meal for each Friday in Lent. Beginning at 5:30pm in the hall, come and enjoy a meatless dinner followed by the Stations of the Cross in the church.



Lenten Meatless Suppers

5:30pm – 6:45pm in Hall

Stations of the Cross

7:00pm in Church



Sponsors:

2/24 – Confirmation Class

3/3 – Knights of Columbus

3/10 – CWS

3/17 – Men's Club

3/24 – St. Joseph Catholic School & Holy Family Group

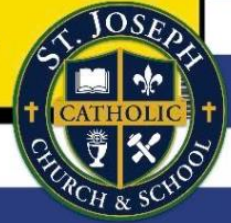
3/31 – Knights of Columbus

Important...

**April
1st**

GARAGE SALE

**SATURDAY | April 1, 2023
8:00 AM TO 1:00 PM
ANDERSON JOCKEY LOT**



KNIGHTS YARD SALE

WHO BENEFITS FROM OUR YARD SALE?

AIM-WACS	ANDERSON EMERGENCY SOUP KITCHEN	ANDERSON FREE CLINIC
ANDERSON PREGNANCY CLINIC	AREA 13 SPECIAL OLYMPICS	CALVARY HOME FOR CHILDREN
Cancer Association of Anderson	Coats for Kids	Good Neighbor Cupboard
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY	HAVEN OF REST MISSION	HOSPICE OF THE UPSTATE
MEALS ON WHEELS	NEW FOUNDATION HOME FOR CHILDREN	OPERATION CLEAN START
PURPLE HEART HOMES	RICHARD B. CAMPBELL VETERANS HOME	SAFE HARBOR
ST. CLAIR HOME	ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL	UKRAINIAN REFUGEE SUPPORT

**THANK YOU TO THESE WONDERFUL
ORGANIZATIONS WHO
SUPPLY THE NEEDS IN OUR COMMUNITY!**

**Great items and some
of the proceeds benefit
our school!**

**Hosted by the Knights
of Columbus!**

Important...



Spring Break – No School

**Monday, April 3rd –
Monday, April 10th**

**Classes Resume
Tuesday, April 11th**

Important...



2023 SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 2	PALM SUNDAY Regular Sunday Mass Schedule (with blessing of palms outside sanctuary before Mass)
Monday, April 3	NO MASS
Tuesday, April 4	NO MASS/NO CONFESSIONS (Chrim Mass in Charleston 10:00 AM)
Wednesday, April 5	8:30 AM Mass 9:00 AM Adoration until 5:00 PM 9:15 – 10:15 AM Confessions 4:00 – 5:00 PM Confession
Thursday, April 6	7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper (Reposition of the Eucharist to Hall for Exposition and Adoration following Mass until Midnight) No 5:30 Mass/No Confessions
Friday, April 7	GOOD FRIDAY No Mass- No Confessions 3:00 PM The Passion of the Lord
Saturday, April 8	HOLY SATURDAY 10:00 AM Blessing of Easter Baskets/Breads 8:00 PM Great Easter Vigil No 5:00 PM Mass and No Confessions
Sunday, April 9	EASTER SUNDAY Regular Sunday Mass Schedule (8:30 & 11:00 AM)

Important...

Spring Uniforms will begin April 11th



No excuses - All uniforms should **fit properly** and be free from holes, stains, fading, and excessive wear and tear.

Take the time now to order any replacement items for your student. You and your student should **take pride** in their appearance.

Mass uniforms will always have a sweater or vest.

Save the Date...



ART EXPO

APRIL 14, 2023

**FR. FRIEND HALL
6PM**

Save the Date...



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL **YEARBOOK**

2022/2023

The memories with us from school will be kept forever.



Pre-order your yearbook today. Deadline to order is May 3rd.

[Click Here](#)

Save the Date...

SJCS 2022-2023 Yearbook

Dedication Form

Dear Parents,

To celebrate the end of our school year, we have reserved some pages in our yearbook for dedications to our students. Parents, grandparents, other relatives, and friends can send congratulation messages to students. Take the time to let them know how proud you are of them and all their hard work! 3 options to choose from:

Whole Page - \$20

Half Page - \$15

Simple Message - \$5

If interested, please fill out the form below and return it to your student's teacher or the front office. Include a check made out to St. Joseph Catholic School, exact cash payment, or check to be billed through FACTS. **Email photo and dedication to kathy.massey@sjccs.net.

Yes! I want to give my student a Dedication in the 2022-2023 Yearbook!

Your Name: _____

Your Phone #: _____

Your Email: _____

Student's Name: _____

Whole Page \$20 Half Page \$15 Message Only \$5 each

_____ Have you included payment?

Cash Check (payable to St. Joseph Catholic School) FACTS

_____ Have you emailed a photo and/or dedication or message to Mrs. Massey?

In order for yearbooks to arrive on time,

All Dedications and Payments are DUE by Wednesday, April 26th

LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE – FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED

For questions, ideas, or help please contact:

Kathy Massey at 864-760-1619 or email kathy.massey@sjccs.net

Save the Date...

SJCS 2022-2023 Anuario Formulario de Dedicación

Estimados padres,

Para celebrar el final de nuestro año escolar, hemos reservado algunas páginas en nuestro anuario para dedicatorias a nuestros estudiantes. Los padres, abuelos, otros parientes y amigos pueden enviar mensajes de felicitación a los estudiantes. ¡Tómese el tiempo para que sepan lo orgulloso que está de ellos y de todo su arduo trabajo! 3 opciones para elegir:

Página completa - \$20 Media página - \$15 Mensaje simple - \$5

Si está interesado, complete el siguiente formulario y devuélvalo al maestro de su estudiante o a la oficina principal. Incluya un cheque a nombre de la Escuela Católica St. Joseph, un pago exacto en efectivo o un cheque que se facturará a través de FACTS. **Foto decorreo electrónico y dedicatoria a kathy.massey@sjccs.net.

¡Sí! ¡Quiero darle a mi estudiante una Dedicación en el Anuario 2022-2023!

Página entera \$20 Media página \$15 Mensaje Sólo \$5 each

Su nombre: _____

Su teléfono #: _____

Su correo electrónico: _____ + _____

Nombre del estudiante: _____

_____ ¿Han incluido el pago?

Cheque en efectivo (pagadero a St. Joseph Catholic School) HECHOS

_____ ¿Ha enviado por correo electrónico una foto y/o dedicatoria o mensaje a la Sra. Massey?

Para que los anuarios lleguen a tiempo,

Todas las dedicatorias y pagos vencen antes del miércoles 2 de abril

ESPACIO LIMITADO DISPONIBLE: POR ORDEN DE LLEGADA

Si tiene preguntas, ideas o ayuda, comuníquese con:

Kathy Massey al 864-760-1619 o envíe un correo electrónico a kathy.massey@sjccs.net

Save the Date...

THE TASTE OF ST. JOSEPH



COME TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE
ALL OUR CULTURES

APRIL 29, 2023
BEGINNING AT 6:00PM

FR. FRIEND HALL
& SCHOOL PARKING LOT

TICKETS:
\$15 ADULTS \$5 KIDS 12 & UNDER

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHARE A DISH FROM
YOUR CULTURE? WE WOULD LOVE FOR YOU
TO PARTICIPATE!

EMAIL KATHY.MASSEY@SJCCS.NET
OR CALL 864-760-1619 TO SIGN UP!

Sign up to bring
a dish below



Save the Date...



Tickets on sale now!

Buy them in the school office or
after select Masses

ADULTS \$15

CHILDREN (ages 5-12) \$5

Under 4 FREE

Going on Now...

Online Fundraiser with School Store!

We are partnering again with SchoolStore.com to raise money for our school. SchoolStore is 100% online! Your participation is easy with no more than 12 minutes of your time!



We have already earned \$146.44 with 49 students participating!

Don't forget to go through School Store to begin your online shopping!

If you have not already – please participate in this fundraiser! I bet most of you already online shop at these places!

These Stores ... And Many More!!!

Deadline Soon...

RE-ENROLLMENT for the 2023-2024 school year is open.

RE-ENROLLMENT FEES (per family):

Special Discount Rate – Re-enrollment Fee for Returning Students January 6 th - January 31 st	\$260
Early Bird – Re-enrollment Fee for Returning Students February 1 st – March 20 th	\$310
Regular Re-enrollment Fee for Returning Students March 21 st and after	\$360

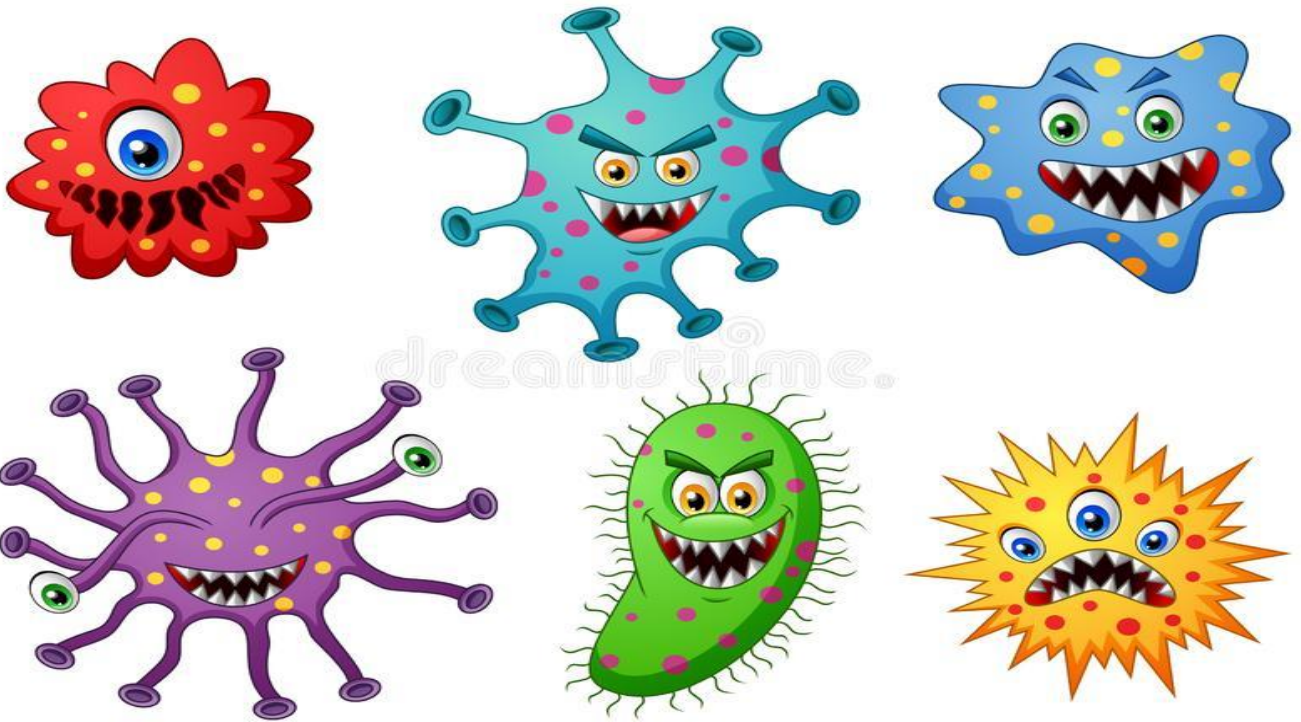
~~Note: Enrollment Fees are non-refundable.~~

Log into FACTS Family Portal. Select Re-Enroll on the left and open your Enrollment Package. Make any necessary changes, save, and pay.

Hurry! Some classes are filling up fast and this year we may have a wait list.

Important...

We love it when students share - but, not germs!



To minimize the spread of illness, please keep your student home when they are sick. In case of fever, diarrhea, or vomiting, **PLEASE WAIT 24 HOURS AFTER THE LAST EPISODE** before sending your student back to school.

Important...



Parking Lot Procedures

MORNING DROP-OFF

Please **DO NOT** let your student out of the car before you pull up to where the teachers are. The teachers are there to assist the children out of the cars and to maintain the safety of your children in the parking lot.

Students should only get out of the **passenger side**. Please consider parking if your student is not ready to exit when you reach the teachers.

Please **DO NOT** drive around other cars during drop off.

If you arrive after 7:55am the teachers will be inside – you must park, come inside, and sign your child in at the front desk.

Remember to always be patient and kind.

March Virtue of the Month

Temperance-

*Enjoying things in a proper,
balanced way*

*"For God gave us a spirit not of learn but of power and
love and self-control."*

- 2 Timothy 1:7

PK – 2nd

St. Teresa of Avila

3rd – 5th

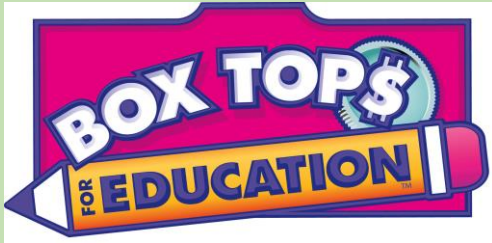
St. Camillus de Lellis

6th – 8th

Ven. Matt Talbot

Click [HERE](#) for the Parent Guide and access to all home projects.

How to help... Sign up today



Box Tops for Education

Download the App, select our school, scan your receipts. Or bring in your receipts and we will do it for you! EASY!



We are still collecting bottlecaps to create awesome works of art!



When you shop at **Ingles**, they donate money to the school for new supplies and equipment. Click [HERE](#) and link your Ingles Advantage Card to St. Joseph Catholic School.



Click [HERE](#) to sign up for Club Publix, under your profile, click Publix Partners (scroll all the way to the right) and search for us. Enter your phone number when you shop.

March Birthdays

Bobby E 3-4

Madison A 3-7

Drayson G 3-7

Hal H 3-12

Nicole D 3-13

Connor R 3-15

Daniel G 3-19

Sam M 3-26

Garrett S 3-27

James A 3-29

Upcoming Events

*Calendar can be located at www.sjccs.net.



Spring Break
Apr 3rd – 10th



EASTER
Apr 9th

PTO
Meeting

PTO Meeting
6pm – Hall
Apr 12th

STUDENT
ARTS
EXPO

Art Expo
Apr 14th



MAP Testing Begins
Apr 24th – May 12th

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The Taste of St. Joseph
Apr 29th

PTO
Meeting

PTO Meeting
6pm – Hall
May 3rd



Q4 Progress Reports
May 4th



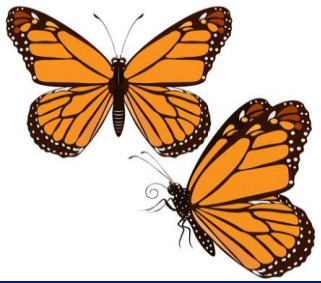
May Crowning
May 5th



Muffins with Mom
May 5th

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Butterfly Festival
May 12th



4K Step Up to Kindergarten
May 25th



No School –
Memorial Day
May 29th

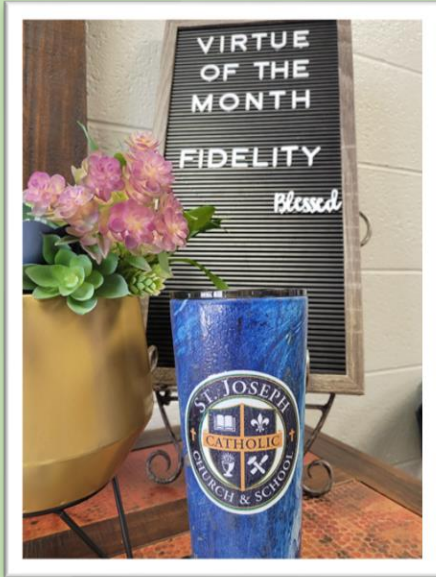


Kindergarten Graduation
May 31st



Awards Ceremony
May 31st

Going on Now...



Tumblers \$20



Umbrellas \$25



T-Shirt \$20

S-M-L-XL

**New SJCS
shirts and
sweatshirts
on sale now!**

Sweatshirt \$30

only smalls remain

School Life

View more pictures on St. Joseph of Anderson Facebook Page!

Good Morningside!



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Happy Birthday,
Mrs. Mitchell!



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Happy Birthday, Mr. Rick!



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Happy Birthday,
Mrs. Teffeteller!



Volunteer Spotlight

Thanks to all the volunteers that help make our school great!
You are awesome!

Lunches:

Catholic Women Serving:

Alice Henderson
Bess McIntyre
Jane Davis
Diane O'Brien

Evelyn Hooks
Danny Arita
Mayra Salgado
Wilma Aguado
Gladys Tortolero
Maria Tortolero
Isbel Mercado
Elizabeth Wingard
Mayte Gonzalez
Gabriela Colorado
Elianny Rondon



Readers:



Alice Henderson
Linda Firneno
Linda Ketchapaw
Mary Donovan
Beth Cartlidge



Thank you, School Volunteers!

Mary Jean Griffin
Alice Henderson
Darrin Coles
Heather Slaughter



Joke Corner!

How does a bee brush its hair?



With a honeycomb!

Submit your funny joke!

Plan for it...

Church



POLICY CHANGE:

If you have requested the use of the hall and kitchen for an event, please follow up 2 days prior to request gas service for the stove and oven, if you require access.

Corner

Gas Stove & Oven

Please request service to either the Church or School Offices during our standard working hours Monday - Friday to have gas service turned on for your event. Advance notice (2 Days) would be greatly appreciated.

Only St. Joseph Staff are authorized to perform this function. Thank you.

Church	School
864-225-5341	864-760-1619

Plan for it...

Church



Corner

