

May 14, 2023

Good Evening!

Traveling today so the message is out late but wanted to make sure all the Mom's get their special

recognition! Happy Mother's Day!



School Newsletter attached.

From the Bishop of Charleston: [One Year Anniversary - YouTube](#)

1. Today's Readings: [Sixth Sunday of Easter | USCCB](#)

2. The RE Corner with Jan Heithaus: Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, O.C.D. was a Discalced Carmelite priest, confessor and spiritual director. He was also an expert in the writings of such venerated Carmelite Mystics as St. Teresa of Avila and St. John of the Cross. For the last decade of his life Fr. Gabriel was the spiritual director for the Discalced Carmelite nuns of the Monastery of St. Joseph in Rome. It was with their assistance that he compiled his writings and mystical insight, arranging his material to correspond with the liturgical year, while following the ascent of the soul to transforming union with God. This work he titled Divine Intimacy from which we take today's article.

Why do we in our Catholic tradition and with our Saints call Mary our Mother? On this secular Mother's Day, let us deepen our knowledge of and love for our heavenly Mother, Mary.

3. Quotes of the Day:

~"May the mother of Jesus and our mother, always smile on your spirit, obtaining for it, from her most holy son, every heavenly blessing." - *St Padre Pio*

~"O Blessed Mary, whoever loves you honors God; whoever serves you pleases God; whoever invokes your holy name with a pure heart will infallibly receive the object of his petition." *St. Bernard of Clairvaux*

~"Am I not here, I, who am your Mother? Are you not under my shadow and protection? Am I not the source of your joy? Are you not in the hollow of my mantle, in the crossing of my arms? Do you need anything more? Let nothing else worry you or disturb you." *Our Lady of Guadalupe to St. Juan Diego*

Holy Mary Mother of God, Pray for Us!
St. Joseph, Pray for Us!

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Our Mother

When she consented to become the Mother of the Son of God, Mary bound herself by very close bonds not only to the person of Jesus, but also to His work. She knew that the Savior was coming into the world to redeem the human race; hence, when she agreed to become His Mother, she also agreed to become the closest collaborator of His mission. In fact, by giving us Jesus, the source of all grace, Mary collaborated most effectively and even directly in the diffusion of grace in our souls. “If Jesus is the Father of our souls,” St. Alphonsus says, “Mary is their Mother, for, in giving us Jesus, she gave us true life; and later, by offering on Calvary the life of her Son for our salvation, she brought us forth to the life of divine grace”.

As one woman, Eve, had cooperated in the losing of grace, so by a harmonious disposition of divine Providence, another woman, Mary, would cooperate in the restoration of grace. It is true that all grace come from Jesus, who is the *only source* of grace and the *one and only Savior*; but, inasmuch as Mary gave Him to the world, and was intimately associated with His whole life and work we can truly say that grace also comes from Mary. If Jesus is its source, Mary, according to St. Bernard, is its channel, the aqueduct which carries it to us. Since Jesus willed to come to us through Mary, so all grace and all supernatural life come to us through her. “This is the will of Him who decreed that we should have *everything* through Mary” (St. Bernard). *All* that Jesus merited for us by strictest right, *condignly*, Mary has merited for us fittingly, *congruously*, The Blessed Virgin is then truly our Mother. When she brought forth Jesus, she brought us forth at the same time to the life of grace; we can address her in all truth: “Hail, holy Queen, *Mother* of mercy; our *life*, our sweetness, and our hope!”

“From the moment that the Blessed Virgin Mary became the Mother of the Savior, she loved us so much, and she devoted herself so completely to obtaining our salvation that,” St. Bernardine of Siena tells us, “from that moment she carried us in her bosom like a most loving mother.” Even as the redemptive mission of Jesus, begun at the moment of His Incarnation, was consummated on Calvary, where His death merited supremely for us, so too Mary’s maternity found its fullest expression at the foot of His Cross. While Jesus was dying in the midst of the most atrocious torments, His loving heart was preparing a truly exquisite gift for us. On earth, His dearest possession had been His Mother; now He would leave her to us a most

precious inheritance. “Behold thy Mother” (Jn 19:27), He said to St. John, thus giving her to the Apostle who at that moment, represented the whole human race. These words of Jesus expressed the great truth which had had its beginning at the first moment of His Incarnation in the Virgin’s womb and which now was fulfilled at the foot of the Cross: this is the truth of Mary’s spiritual motherhood of all mankind. Mary saved our souls together with Jesus, for as He was offering Himself in sacrifice for us, Mary was offering Him, her Son, as the Divine Victim for our redemption. As co-redemptrix, she procured the life of grace for us; therefore, she is the woman who in the supernatural order gives us life: she is our Mother.

“God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son for our salvation” says the Evangelist (cf. Jn 3:16), and similarly, St. Bonaventure declares “it can be said that Mary so loved the world that she gave her only Son, in order that, through Him, all might have eternal life” See at what price Mary has become our Mother and we have become her children. Because it has cost her so much to give us birth, she very rightly desires us to live as her true children, worthy of the life of grace, which flows from the pierced side of her Jesus and from her maternal heart, pierced by the sword of sorrow.

Source: Divine Intimacy by Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, O.C.D.



"Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with your might."

-Ecclesiastes 9:10

May 12, 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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TONIGHT

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Butterfly Festival

WHAT: A STREAM EVENT

(Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics)

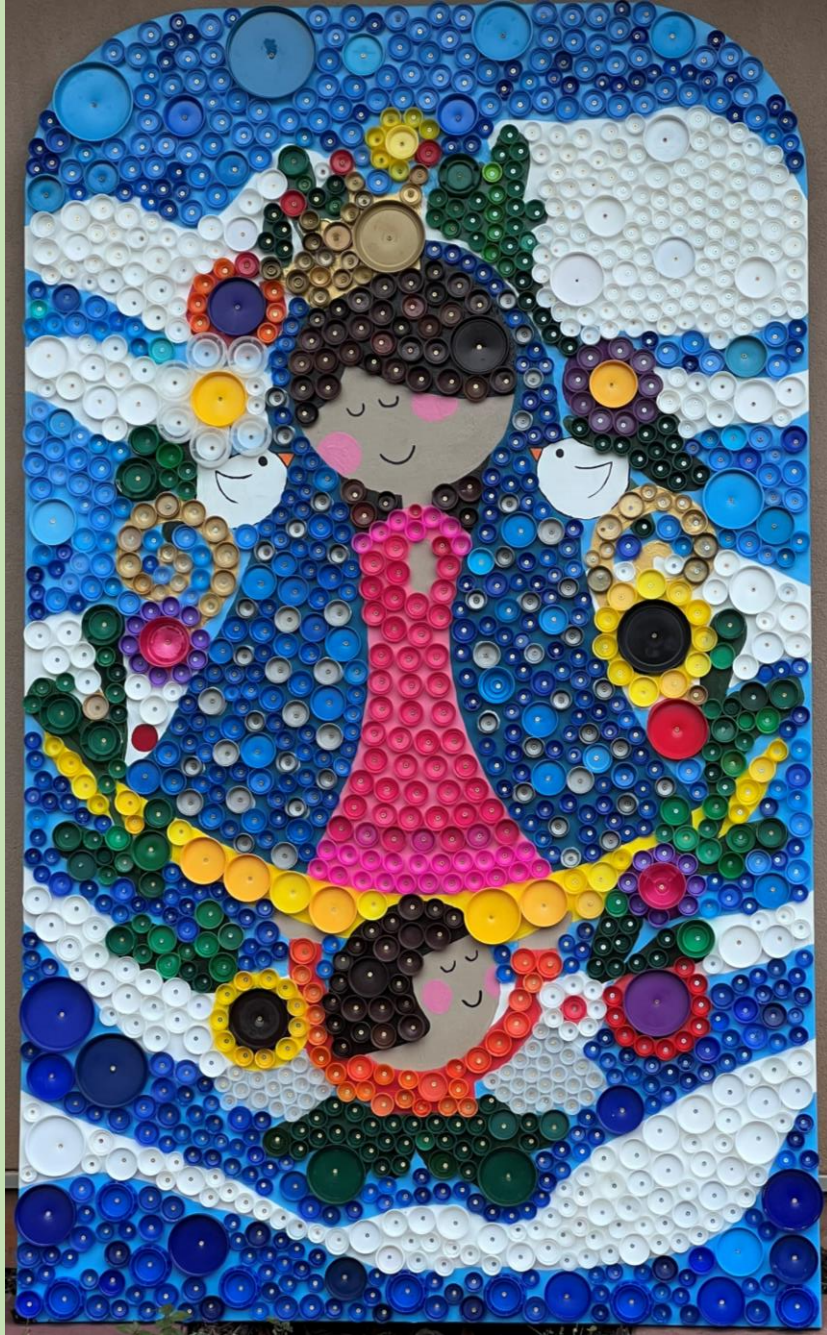
WHEN: MAY 12 @ 5:30-7:30PM

WHERE: SJCCS BUTTERFLY GARDEN

Help us celebrate our students with a night of
STREAM displays, poetry, music performances,
and activities for all families.



Meet Mary



Thank you for the
bottle caps!

In the Know...



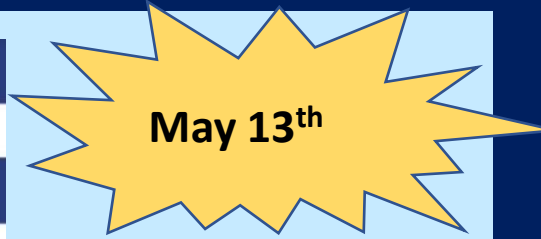
GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY May 13, 2023
8:00 AM TO 1:00 PM
ANDERSON JOCKEY LOT

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ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL



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!

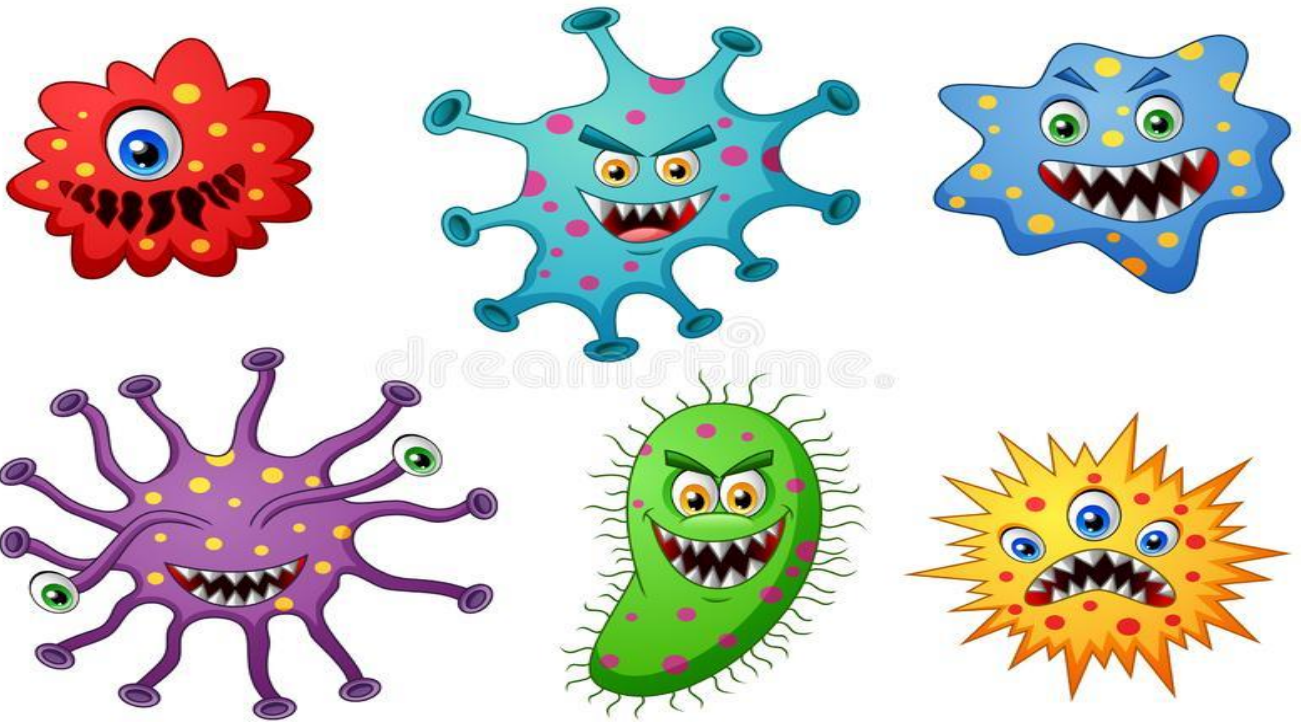
Art Club

No more Art Club for the rest of the school year.



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.

May Virtue of the Month

Diligence-

Doing your best and working hard until you are finished.

"Diligent hands will rule, but laziness ends in forced labor."

- Proverbs 12:24

PK – 2nd

St. Andre Bessette

3rd – 5th

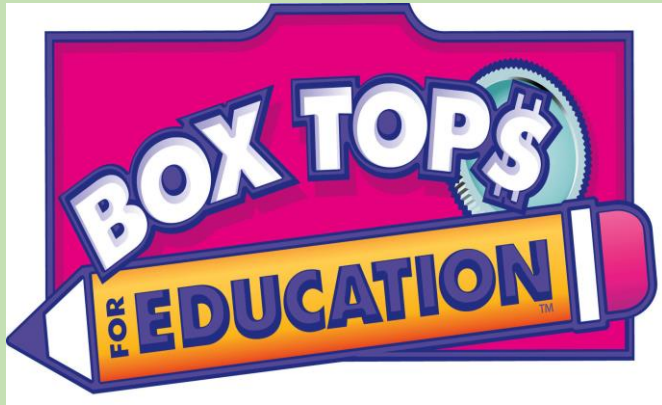
St. Francis de Sales

6th – 8th

St. Catherine of Siena

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!

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.

May Birthdays

Levi C 5-3

Shriya P 5-9

Yare V 5-10

Luna M 5-11

Ellie W 5-13

Vada W 5-14

Andrea R 5-15

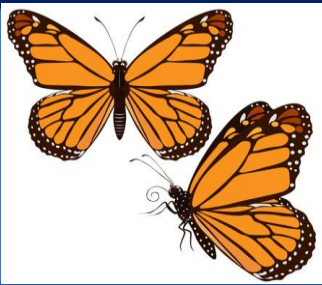
Eva G 5-22

Upcoming Events

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



MAP Testing Begins
Apr 24th – May 12th



Butterfly Festival
May 12th



First Communion
May 13th



4K Step Up to Kindergarten
May 25th



No School –
Memorial Day
May 29th

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Kindergarten Graduation
May 31st



Awards Ceremony
May 31st

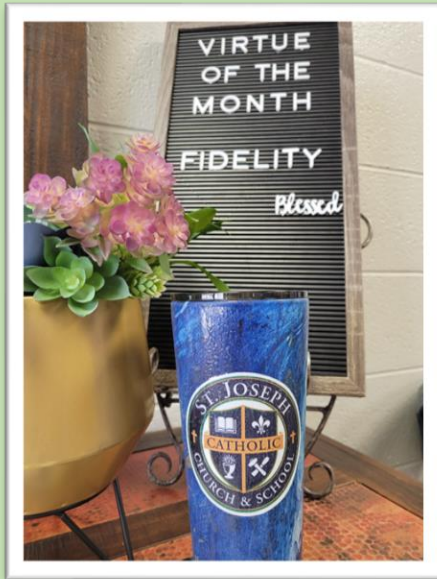


Last Day of School
11:45am Dismissal – No
Extended Care
June 1st



Confirmation
June 3rd

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!

Happy Birthday, Mr. Fenske!



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Butterfly Learning!

**Thank you,
Dr. Suellen Pometto!**



Volunteer Spotlight

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

Lunches:

Catholic Women Serving:

Diane O'Brien
Linda Ketchapaw
Mary Donovan

Evelyn Hooks
Mayra Salgado
Wilma Aguado
Sheila Pineda
Gladys Tortolero
Maria Tortolero
Elizabeth Wingard
Mayte Gonzalez
Gabriela Colorado



Readers:



Alice Henderson
Linda Firneno
Linda Ketchapaw
Mary Donovan
Beth Cartlidge

Thank you, Office and School Volunteer!!

Dr. Suellen Pometto
Jessica Martin
Alice Henderson
Cary Infante
Mary Jean Griffin
Darrin Coles
Steve Sernak
Dave Gorney

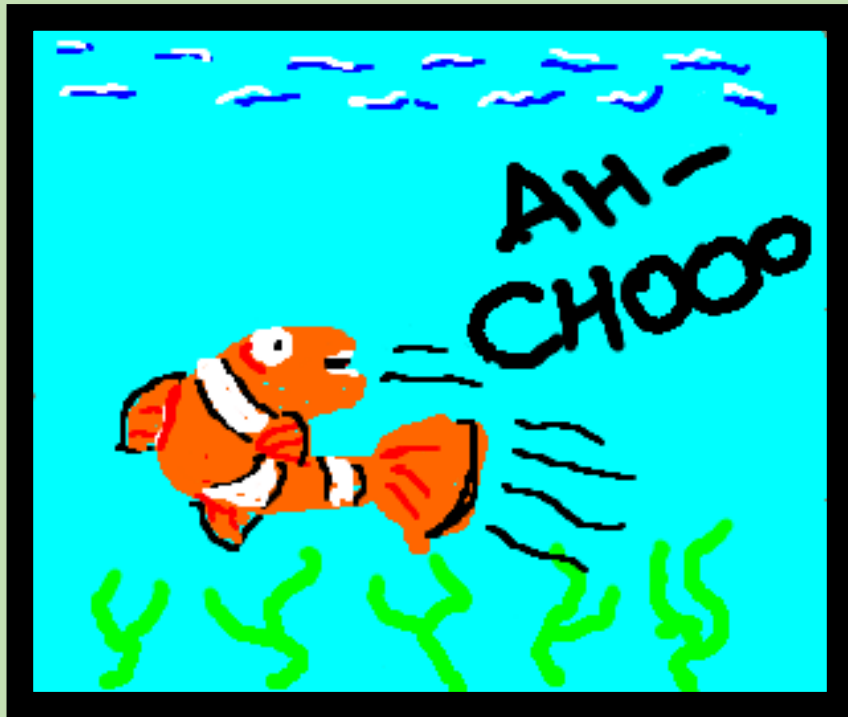
Thank you, Garden Volunteers!!

Beth Cartlidge
Diane Yurovich
Cantu and Hernandez Family



Joke Corner!

Why do fish live in salt water?



Because pepper makes them sneeze!

**Submit your joke to the office.
The winning joke will receive a
free dress pass.**

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

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The Queen of Heaven Express is leaving the station! Mysteries & Messages Revealed at Each Stop! Discover how Mary brings us closer to Jesus through the POWER of the ROSARY.

PARENTS!!

COOL CRAFTS
FUN GAMES
UPBEAT MUSIC
EXCITING ACTIVITIES
CREATIVE SKITS
BIBLE STORIES

Get Your GOLDEN TICKET

& Track Mary All Over the World!
**FUN-FILLED DAYS AHEAD
AT CATHOLIC KIDZ CAMP!**



DATES: JUNE 19-23 TIMES: 9:00AM - 12:15PM

FAMILY PICNIC AT 12:15PM ON FRIDAY 23RD

LOCATION: St. Joseph Catholic Church

For more information, please contact the parish office at 864-225-5341.

~PLEASE USE THE GRADE ENTERING THIS FALL~
PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION.

Grade e K	Grade s 1-2	Grade s 3-4	Grade s 5-6

Child's Name:

Child's Name:

Child's Name:

Child's Name:

Parent Name:

Address:

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone:

Registration fee per child (Max/family \$45) 15.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Reserve my Mary's Messages Storybook 4.99 x _____ = \$ _____

I have enclosed cash/check in the amount of TOTAL \$ _____ (Check to St. Joseph)

To Register: Complete both sides and return with payment to parish office.

Please return by June 12.

Plan for it...

Church



Corner

Please list any allergy or medical conditions that we need to aware of:

Child's Name _____

Child's Name _____

Child's Name _____

Child's Name _____

Release Form

I understand that reasonable precautions will be taken to safeguard the health and well-being of the participants in this summer camp and that I will be notified as soon as possible in the event of an emergency. In the case of sickness or an accident, I authorize and consent the Camp Team, or other associated volunteers of the Camp program to obtain medical care from a licensed physician, hospital, or medical clinic for my son/daughter in the event that myself or other legal guardian(s) cannot be reached. I hereby do release and forever discharge this Diocese, Parish and/or Organization from all manners of actions, claims which I or the children named on this form shall or may have for any reason, arising during my children's attendance of the summer camp.

Unless other written instruction is submitted, I also consent to allowing my child's image to be recorded, either by photograph or video, and used during the camp week or for future advertisement of Parish camp programs. Any other use will require your further consent.

Parent / Guardian Signature

Date

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION (please print):

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Relationship to child/children: _____

Cell phone Number: _____

Children can be released to the following persons (besides parent who has signed above): _____
