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**Lori Haley**  
14 years with  
SJPII!

# Eagle News

September 6, 2024



For God, all things are possible Matthew 19:26

Virtue of the Week: Respect. The feeling of deep admiration of someone.

Dear SJPII Families,

On Wednesday, Fr. Jay, the associate priest at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, celebrated Mass with our school community. In his homily, he welcomed the students back and shared a meaningful message. He reminded us that Jesus always kept three important things in mind:

- Jesus was always prayerful,
- Jesus always shared, and
- Jesus remained focused on His mission.

Fr. Jay encouraged us to be kind to others, to pray daily, and to remember that without Jesus, we lack true meaning and purpose in life. This week, the Visitation of Mary Baskets were sent home with the Foreman family (Clare) and the Babb family (Brodie, Tucker, Mila, Rhett). We hope you enjoy this special time of honoring and praying to Mary with your family while you have the basket.

Today, we celebrated First Friday with a beautiful procession led by Deacon Stephen. Accompanied by altar servers, icon carriers, incense, and candles, Deacon Stephen moved through the building while choir members from grades 4-7 sang as they blessed each room and all of our students and staff. It was a meaningful and reverent way to begin our Friday. The children also spent time in prayerful meditation, participating in Adoration in the chapel.

We are grateful for the ongoing support and trust of our families as we work together each week to fulfill our mission of fostering spiritual growth, academic excellence, personal responsibility, and service to others. Wishing you a joyful weekend!

Pax vobiscum ("Peace be with you")  
Marian V. Kajfez, Principal

**Volunteer  
Orientation Sept.  
9 at 8:15 AM in  
the Activity  
Center**

## Shout Outs

- Thank you to the Rowland Family for the gorgeous flowers!
- We are so impressed by the 40 students that auditioned for Aladin Jr.! The talent here at SJPII is astounding!

## Dates to Remember

Sept. 9: Volunteer Orientation

Sept 11: Picture Day/Mass day

Sept 13: No School (Teacher Workday)

Sept. 19: Curriculum Night

3:30pm: Volleyball & Soccer games

4:00: Food trucks (3 trucks)

5:30: PTO Mtg in AC

• Intro PTO officers

• Intro teachers and staff

6:00-7:00: Classroom visits

Oct. 14: No School (Fall Break)

Oct. 18: Festifall

Oct: 23: Used Uniform Sale (2:30 PM, in Activity Center)

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## Did You Know...

- To keep our SJPII community healthy and safe, we ask that you follow our guidelines on page 11 of the Family Handbook, "Keep sick children at home, returning them to school the morning AFTER having been both symptom-free and fever-free for a full 24 hours, without the use of medicine."
- If your child is missing First Reconciliation and/or First Communion and is above the fourth grade, please contact Mr. O'Connell at [poconnell@jp2catholicschool.org](mailto:poconnell@jp2catholicschool.org) if you would like him/her to prepare to receive the Sacraments.
- Our young gardeners are looking for blooms to spruce up the Mary Garden and the area by the Walkup Benches. We welcome pansies and snapdragons to add color to our beds all winter long. Thank you for your generosity. Flowers can be dropped off at the front ramp by the three green pots. Please email Mrs. Girard or Mrs. Richard with any questions.
- Please be cautious navigating the parking lot after school. If an incident occurs, please let us know so that we can help. Child safety is our priority. Please drive slowly and carefully.

## Sports Corner

Congratulations SJPII Soccer and Volleyball teams on your wins this week! We are so proud of our Eagles!

- Monday, Sept. 9 (4:00 PM): Soccer & Volleyball: SJPII vs CFCA (HOME at SJPII)
- Thursday, Sept. 12 (4:00 PM): Soccer & Volleyball: SJPII vs SCCS (HOME at SJPII)
- No Cross Country meet on Sept. 9

Remember to pick up water bottles and clothes after practices and games.