

Eagle News



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“Hope in God never disappoints.” Quote by Pope Leo XIV taken from Romans 5:5

Upcoming Activities:

DRAMA TECH WEEK
No Sports Games or Practices

Shoutouts & Gratitude

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who continues to serve our school community with such generosity and dedication.

- Congratulations to our 13 eighth-grade students who were inducted into the inaugural class of the National Junior Honor Society.
- Thank you to the NJHS Faculty Council for your commitment to launching this new chapter and for your work in preparing and leading the induction ceremony.
- Special thanks to Roy Vernon, Middle School PE teacher, for his vision and leadership in establishing the *Fides et Ratio* Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society at SJPII.
- We are grateful to the Fish Fry Committee for another wonderful Lenten Fish Fry season.
- Thank you to Nikki Givens, our Fish Fry Chair, for her outstanding leadership and organization.

With deep gratitude for each of you and the many gifts you share in joyful service to our school community, we thank you for helping make this beloved Lenten tradition such a success.

Important Dates

- **March 13:** NO SCHOOL- Teacher Workday
- **March 13, 27 (4:00–6:00 PM):** Lenten Fish Fry in the Activity Center
- **March 20–21:** *Moana Jr.* production. Tickets on sale now in the school office
- **March 27:** Living Stations of the Cross 2pm
- **March 31:** Chrism Mass at the Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral attended by the Grade 8 class
- **April 2:** Noon Dismissal
- **April 3–10:** Spring Break
- **April 27–May 13:** iReady Diagnostic #3
- **April 28:** Baccalaureate Mass at the Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral with all diocesan 8th graders
- **April 30:** Pilgrimage to Washington, DC for Grades 6–8
- **May 16–23:** Ignatius Book Fair
- Shop Now! <https://store.ignatiusbookfairs.com/>
- **May 22:** Field Day
- **June 15:** Summer Camp begins. Register today
- **April 23, 2027:** SJPII Gala at the Fair Barn

Lenten Almsgiving Food Drive

Supporting St. Anthony's Food Pantry & Sacred Heart San Juan Diego Mission February 18- April 4. See attachment for more information.

Dear SJPII Families,

Yesterday, our school community was blessed to celebrate Mass with Fr. Forbes, Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, and Fr. John Kane, Pastor of St. Anthony of Padua Parish. In his homily, Fr. Forbes reminded students that God desires our true happiness and shows us the path through His law to love God and love one another. Reflecting on the National Junior Honor Society induction that followed Mass, he encouraged students to embrace leadership through service. He reminded them that academic success comes through continual growth by using the gifts God has given them and striving to improve. As we continue our Lenten journey, he challenged all of us to reflect on how we are using our gifts in our studies, friendships, and daily actions to live as Jesus taught us.

We were excited to induct the inaugural class of the Fides et Ratio Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society, recognizing 13 outstanding eighth-grade students. These students are celebrated for demonstrating the high standards required for membership, distinguishing themselves through scholarship, leadership, service, character, citizenship, and reverence. We are proud to honor their accomplishments and the example they set for our school community.

Next week, we will celebrate World Water Day and continue supporting the construction of freshwater wells at Fr. Joe's parish in Uganda. In gratitude for the generosity our school community has shown over the years, the next well built will be named the "SJPII Well." We are especially grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Hutaff for their additional support in helping make this possible. Thank you to all who have contributed to this meaningful outreach that extends the impact of our school community worldwide.

We also invite families to participate in our food drive, with donations benefiting Sacred Heart's San Juan Diego Mission and St. Anthony's Food Pantry. Through these acts of generosity, we live out our mission to form the hearts and minds of our students for spiritual growth, academic excellence, personal responsibility, and service to others in accordance with the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. May God's blessings be with you and your family always.

Pax vobiscum,

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