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

Important Dates

Shoutouts & Gratitude

With grateful hearts, we extend our sincere appreciation to all who so generously support our school community.

A special thank you to our Faculty Council for their support of the National Junior Honor Society, including preparing Grade 7 invitations and carefully reviewing student essays. Your dedication helps ensure a meaningful induction process for our future honorees.

We are also deeply grateful for the faithful service of our SJPII volunteers: Cathy Jakl (Office Assistant), Judie Henry (Student Reading Assistant), Rae Glotfelty (Office Assistant), Aggie Guydan (Art Assistant), Randee Craig (Drama Stage Crew Assistant), and the Knights of Columbus from Sacred Heart Parish for their support of the Fish Fry.

We especially thank our parent volunteers, whose generosity and willingness to serve in countless ways each day help make our school a joyful and enriching place for our students.

We also gratefully recognize everyone who supported the Month of the Military Child. Our Legacy Day Purple Up fundraiser collected \$350 to be donated to the Deskin & Stephens Foundation, which provides direct support to members of the U.S. Special Operations community.

May God bless each of you for your generosity, service, and witness to our faith. Your support is a beautiful reflection of Christ's love in action within our community.

- April 25:** First Eucharist celebrated at St. Anthony of Padua Church at the 10:00 AM Mass
- April 27–May 13:** iReady Diagnostic #3
- April 28:** Baccalaureate Mass at Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral (all diocesan 8th graders attending)
- April 30:** Washington, DC Pilgrimage (Grades 6–8)
- May 7:** PK–3 Spring Program at 2:15 PM in the Activity Center
- May 9:** First Eucharist celebrated at Sacred Heart Parish at the 10:00 AM Mass
- May 13:** School Mass at 8:30 AM and May Crowning
- May 13:** Sports Banquet 5:30-7:30pm
- May 16–23:** Ignatius Book Fair (online ordering available now before the on-site fair)
- May 20–21:** Art Show in the Activity Center
- May 22:** Field Day (Noon Dismissal; please sign up on Track It Forward to volunteer)
- May 28:** 8th Grade Graduation
- June 15, 2026:** Summer Camp begins—register today!
- April 23, 2027:** SJPII Gala at The Fair Barn

Upcoming Activities:

- Soccer: 4/27:** HOME vs. SCCS 4pm
- 4/28:** AWAY vs. Covenant Prep 4pm
- Baseball: 4/27** HOME vs. St. Patricks 4pm
- Golf: 4/28 @** Hyland

Dear SJPII Families,

Our school family was truly blessed to celebrate Mass with Fr. Forbes, Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish. During his homily, Fr. John reminded us to faithfully do the things Jesus calls us to do and offered the Mass for the intentions of our SJPII volunteers. He encouraged us to celebrate Jesus in our daily lives and to share the beautiful truth that God never rejects anyone, but instead calls each of us to eternal life with Him.

We are also grateful to share that SJPII has sponsored a well in Uganda. Fr. Joe recently sent photos of the SJPII well, commissioned on March 30, 2026, to serve the people of Mabuye Village. The villagers extend their sincere gratitude to our students, whose generosity helped provide clean water for their community.

In addition, we are proud to announce that SJPII Catholic School has been recognized as a Cardinal Newman Society Recommended Catholic School. This honor reflects our commitment to upholding the highest standards of faithful Catholic education. SJPII will be featured in the May 2026 Newman Guide as the 29th elementary school in the nation and the first in North Carolina to receive this distinction.

We also extend our heartfelt congratulations to our second-grade students from St. Anthony of Padua Parish who will receive their First Holy Communion tomorrow. Please know of our prayers as you take this important step in your faith journey.

Thank you for your continued support of our school community. Together, we remain committed to forming our students in spiritual growth, academic excellence, personal responsibility, and service to others in accordance with the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church.

Pax vobiscum,

Marian V. Kajfez
Principal