

Eagle News

January 10, 2025

For God, all things are possible Matthew 19:26

Virtue of the Week: Self-Control. Joyful mastery over one's passions and desires.

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Mary Ann Richard
3 years with
SJPII!

Dear SJPII Families,

Fr. John Forbes, Administrator and Pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, celebrated Mass with our students and staff this week. During his homily, Fr. John reflected on the Epiphany, reminding us that Christmas is not just a single day but extends through the Baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist. After Mass, we held a procession in the Activity Center, led by our three 5th-grade Wise Men—Liam Evans, Rowan Lowery, and Oscar Casas—who brought their gifts to the altar. Fr. John explained the significance of the Magi's gifts, and Seminarian Gabriel Nugent guided us in praying a decade of the Rosary. He encouraged us to reflect on the gifts of the Magi and consider the gifts we can “lay at the feet of Baby Jesus.” This week, the Visitation of Mary basket was sent home with the Igo (Theo) and Hanna (Stella & Luna) families. May they enjoy this special blessing throughout the week!

iReady Diagnostic #2 is currently underway for students in grades K-8. Our students are putting forth great effort to perform their best on this assessment. As we approach the start of the third quarter on January 21, 2025, we are excited to see significant growth in our students' progress.

We are excited to return to a productive educational routine as we embark on the second half of the school year.

Pax vobiscum, Marian V. Kajfez, Principal

Dates to Remember

- **iReady Diagnostic #2:** will be administered in grades K-8 during **January 6-24**.
- **Jan. 17:** Noon Dismissal
- **Jan. 20:** No School - Martin Luther King Jr. holiday
- **Jan. 25:** Chili Cook Off (5-8 PM)
- **Jan. 25 - Jan. 31:** Catholic Schools Week
- **Jan 31:** Vision Screening with Lion's Club

Sports Corner - Basketball

Mon, Jan 13: B/G SJPII vs Grace Christian-Sanford (AWAY)

Wed, Jan 15: Boys only scrimmage SJPII at O'Neil (AWAY) (3:30 PM)

Thurs, Jan 16: B/G SJPII vs Christ the Cornerstone Academy-Laurinburg (AWAY)

Thurs, Jan 23: HOME: SCCS vs SJPII (AWAY) 8th grade Recognition

*Unless otherwise noted, game times are 4:00 pm Girls tip off, Boys to follow (approx. 5:15 PM).

Sat, Jan 25: Alumni Basketball Games!
Girls tip off 2:30, Boys tip off 4:00

Shout Outs

- SJPII Families: Thank you for your generosity in blessing our staff with thoughtful gifts this season.
- Special thanks to Josh Haley and Jonathan Ward for the sound system upgrades, enhancing our ability to share and celebrate together.
- We are also deeply grateful to the Konz Family (Erin, Matt, and Michael) for their faithful dedication in setting up our Nativity Scene each year, reminding us of the true meaning of Christmas.

Please take a moment to review the Family Handbook regarding uniform requirements. This includes guidelines on nail polish (not permitted), limited jewelry, appropriate haircuts, and approved tights, leggings, and socks. Thank you for helping us maintain our school's uniform standards!

Volunteer website:
<https://www.trackitforward.com/>



Safe Environment Training:
<https://dioceseofraleigh.org/calendar?office=2249>

