

# Eagle News

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

## Upcoming Activities:

### Sports:

#### Volleyball: Coach Foxx

**8/23** Jamboree Saturday @ SCCS 9am

**8/25 HOME** vs Old Stream Academy

**8/28 AWAY** @St. Patrick Catholic School

#### Cross Country: Coach Quinlan & Williamson

**8/25** @ CTCA (Scotch Meadows)

**8/28** @SCCS (relay)

#### Boy's Soccer: Coach DiTuro

**8/25 HOME** vs Old Stream Academy

**8/28 AWAY** @St. Patrick Catholic School

### Drama:

**8/26:** Auditions at reserved time

### LEGO Robotics:

**8/27:** 3:15pm in TRU-Legacy Activity Center

## Important Dates

**Aug 27:** Mass with Bishop Zarama at 9:30am

**Aug 29:** Noon Dismissal

**Sept 1:** Labor Day...**NO SCHOOL**

**Sept 5:** Alumni Event...RSVP to  
rhernandez@jp2catholicschool.org

**Sept 26:** Teacher Professional Development  
Day...no school

**Oct 3:** Blessing of Pets @ 2:15pm

**Oct 17:** Festifall

**Oct. 24:** Living Rosary 2:15pm

**Oct. 30:** Noon dismissal: Parent Teacher  
conferences

**Oct 31:** Parent Teacher Conferences...**NO  
SCHOOL**

**February 13, 2026:** Save the Date: Gala  
Celebration

## Shoutouts

**PTO & Parent Volunteers** – Thank you for coordinating our **Campus Clean-Up** on August 2! The campus looks amazing!

**Gwen Brown** – Designed and beautifully painted the **“Welcome Eagle”** on Legacy Rock. It looks fantastic - thank you, Gwen!

**Matt Konz** (*husband of Erin, dad of Michael*) – Installed the **Cognia flag bracket** on Eagle's Perch. We appreciate your help!

**Tim Haley** (*husband of Lori, grandfather of Scarlet*) – Assisted with **multiple classroom and office projects**. Thank you for sharing your time and talents!

**Josh Haley** (*dad of Scarlet*) – Helped **review and repair the sound system** in the Activity Center. Your support makes a big difference - thank you!

Dear SJPII Families,

**What a wonderful start to the new school year! We were blessed to begin with the celebration of Mass, led by Fr. Forbes on Wednesday.**

During his homily, Fr. John reflected on the **Feast of St. Bernard**, a monk known for preaching peace. He drew attention to his vestments, which were beautifully embroidered with the word **“PAX” (Peace)**, emphasizing St. Bernard's message. Fr. John shared insights from the Gospel, reminding us that the reward of Heaven is promised to all who are worthy, whether they have lived saintly lives from the beginning or turned to God at the end of their lives. He encouraged students to **reach out to new classmates**, reminding us that each person possesses **unique, God-given gifts**, and he called us all to **pray continuously** as we grow together in faith and community.

We are excited to begin the with **181 families and 253 students**, including **65 new students** who have joined our community. Our new **3-year-old Pre-K class** has transitioned seamlessly into the existing 4-year-old program, and we are thrilled to see how quickly they are settling in and becoming part of our school family.

The **Family Handbook** is now available on our website. We kindly ask all families to take a moment to review it carefully and return the required signed pages.

**We are honored to announce that Bishop Luis Zarama will celebrate Mass at Saint John Paul II Catholic School on Tuesday, August 27, at 9:30 AM in the TRU-Legacy Activity Center.**

This special Mass marks the beginning of our inaugural year as a **Diocesan Regional School**, and we warmly invite all students, staff, families, and friends to join us for this joyful celebration. Together, let us come in faith and unity as we honor this meaningful milestone in our school's journey.

As we begin this new chapter, SJPII remains deeply committed to our mission of fostering **spiritual growth, academic excellence, personal responsibility, and service to others**. In June, Bishop Zarama appointed the **Inaugural Board of Directors** to guide and support our transition as a Regional School of the Diocese of Raleigh. During Mass next Wednesday, Bishop Zarama will offer a special blessing for our Board as they begin their important work.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend! God bless!

Pax vobiscum,

Marian V. Kajfez, Principal