



# FALCON FLYER

*Embracing curious minds. Nurturing compassionate hearts.*

ST. JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 19, 2025

## Friday Falcon Flyer – September 19, 2025

Dear Fisher Families,

Last Sunday, our 4th graders did a beautiful job leading the Pope Leo Birthday Mass. Thank you to the students for hosting and to everyone who came out to celebrate. Coming together as a faith community is so important and continues to be the heart of all we do at St. John Fisher.

This weekend we are so excited to welcome back Fisher Fest! It's always a wonderful time to gather with family and friends, enjoy carnival rides, taste some great food, and listen to live music together. We look forward to seeing many of you there as we celebrate all that makes our parish and school community so special. Please come to Mass under the tent at 11:00 on Sunday.

Looking ahead, next week is Spirit Week! Students may dress down all week long, and each day will have a fun theme to show off Falcon pride. Please see the attached flyer for the daily themes. The week will culminate with a pep rally where we will celebrate our 8th graders and honor all Falcon athletes. Be sure to ask your students if they can guess who this year's Mystery Falcon might be—it's always one of the highlights of the week!

### Fisher Fest Times:

- Sensory Friendly Ride Hours – Friday, 3:30–5:00 p.m.
- Friday – 5:00–10:00 p.m.
- Saturday – 12:00–11:00 p.m.
- Sunday – 12:00–8:00 p.m.

**BELONG. BELIEVE. BECOME.**



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## Important to Know

- This week is Spirit Week! Students may be out of uniform. See the attached flyer for the theme of each day.
- Last week, we raised \$604 for Pediatric Cancer. These funds will be donated to Christmas without Cancer.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on October 9th from 1-7 p.m. Look for sign-ups to come out next week.

## Dates to Know

- **Friday, September 19** – Early Dismissal at 11:30 for Fisher Fest.
- **September 19–21** – Fisher Fest Weekend!
- **Tuesday, September 23** – Future Falcon Playdate, 10:15–11:00 in the Gym.
- **Wednesday, September 24** – 5th Grade Field Trip
- **Thursday, September 25** – Pep Rally
- **Friday, September 26** – No School
- **Saturday, September 27** – Homecoming @ Beverly Park

As always, thank you for your continued support and partnership. We are truly blessed to share this journey of faith and learning together.

**Belong. Believe. Become.**

*Ms. Colleen Dunlavy*

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# Morning Announcements



Do you ever wonder what our morning Zoom announcements are like? Now you can see for yourself! Visit [this link](#) to see recordings of our latest and greatest morning moments. ENJOY!

## Featured Falcon



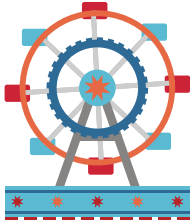
Eighth grader **Owen O'Malley** showed incredible kindness to a stranger last week. On his way home from fishing, he passed an older woman who had fallen on the sidewalk. Without hesitation, Owen got off his bike and asked if she needed help. She replied that she did, and Owen helped her to her feet and walked her safely back to her home. Later that day, the woman's daughter shared online about the wonderful young man who had helped her mother—and even emailed Ms. Dunlavy to tell her about Owen's kind actions.

**Thank you, Owen, for showing us what it truly means to live God's word and to fly like a Falcon!**

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# WEEKEND SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH	SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH	SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST
3:30 PM – 5:30 PM Special Needs Riders	12:00 pm – 10:00 pm Open to general public	11:00 Mass located in Big Tent
6:00 pm – 10:00 pm Open to general public		12:00 pm – 8:00 pm Open to general public



FOOD TRUCKS AVAILABLE  
CASH OR CARD

CALABRIA  
BO'S CONCESSIONS  
BARRACOS  
JOEY'S RED HOTS

TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ALL OUR GUESTS, THE CARNIVAL WILL BE ENCLOSED BY A SECURITY FENCE. THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE DESIGNATED ENTRY AND EXIT POINT, WHICH WILL BE LOCATED ON FAIRFIELD STREET, RIGHT BY THE CHURCH. THIS CONTROLLED ACCESS WILL HELP US MONITOR ATTENDANCE AND MAINTAIN A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE ENVIRONMENT FOR EVERYONE.







# **BAND LINEUP**

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**Friday 9/19**

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**South City Revival 5-7**

**2ND Hand News 8-10**

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**Saturday 9/20**

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**Emily Dooey 3-4**

**Railroad Gin 5-7**

**Rocks Off 8-10**

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**Sunday 9/21**

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**The Original Show Ponie 1-2:30**

**Jameson Shakes 3:30-5:30**

**DJ Set 6-8**

Saint John Fisher Church Presents

# MASS IN THE TENT

Please join us for Mass under the tent on  
Sunday, September 21st at 11:00 AM.

There's no better way to start our last day  
at Fisher Fest than by coming together as a  
community!





## FISHER FEST VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARENTS

BELOW ARE THE LINKS TO SIGN UP FOR  
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT FISHER FEST!

WE'RE LOOKING FOR HELP WITH OPERATIONS, TICKET SALES, BARTENDING,  
AND MORE. THIS WEEKEND IS A BIG ONE — WE'LL NEED ALL HANDS ON  
DECK, SO IF YOU CAN LEND A HAND, WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU.

WE APPRECIATE EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU – THANK YOU FOR MAKING  
THIS EVENT POSSIBLE!

[CLICK HERE TO HELP  
WITH OPERATIONS](#)

\*THIS IMPORTANT TEAM WILL HELP  
WITH GENERAL MAINTENANCE,  
TRASH PICK-UP, KEEPING THE  
GROUNDS CLEAN, ANYTHING THAT  
NEEDS ATTENDING TO, ETC.

[CLICK HERE TO HELP  
SELL POP & WATER](#)

[CLICK HERE TO HELP  
WITH TICKET SALES &  
BARTENDING](#)

[CLICK HERE TO HELP WITH SECURITY](#)

\*PLEASE SIGN UP FOR A DAY THAT YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP OUT AND PETE MCGLYNN  
WILL REACH OUT TO YOU TO LET YOU KNOW WHAT TIME YOU ARE SCHEDULED FOR.  
THE SHIFTS WILL BE 4 HOURS LONG NO NEED TO BE A POLICE OFFICER TO  
VOLUNTEER. WE HAVE HIRED A PRIVATE SECURITY COMPANY. WE NEED TO ANYONE  
WILLING TO HELP OUT WITH KEEPING THE FEST CALM AND SAFE.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT TO  
MARYCOLEMAN05@GMAIL.COM OR ERIN.OMALLEY507@GMAIL.COM.



## **CALLING ALL 7TH & 8TH GRADE STUDENTS!**

**WE'RE LOOKING FOR ENTHUSIASTIC BOYS AND GIRLS IN 7TH  
AND 8TH GRADE TO VOLUNTEER AT FISHER FEST AND EARN  
SERVICE HOURS!**

### **CHECK-IN INSTRUCTIONS:**

**VOLUNTEERS SHOULD MEET AT THE POP & WATER TABLE UPON  
ARRIVAL TO RECEIVE THEIR INSTRUCTIONS.**

**IF YOUR CHILD IS INTERESTED IN HELPING OUT, PLEASE SIGN  
THEM UP TODAY.**

**HAVE QUESTIONS? FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT AT  
773-951-8719.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

**[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP!](#)**





# **EXTRA** **RAFFLE** **TICKETS**

**WANT A CHANCE TO WIN A \$500  
TUITION CREDIT?**

**FOR EVERY EXTRA RAFFLE TICKET YOU SELL,  
YOUR NAME WILL BE ENTERED INTO A SPECIAL  
DRAWING FOR THE PRIZE—ONE ENTRY PER  
EXTRA TICKET SOLD!**

**Need more tickets?**

**Pick them up at the rectory from 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM  
or contact:**

**Mary Winter – 773-951-8719**

**Erin Jarmusz – 773-966-9188**

**We'll make sure you get what you need!**

**REMEMBER:**

**The more tickets we sell, the more we raise for our school  
and kids—and that's what this is all about!**



# **1ST HOME GAME**

# **THIS SATURDAY!**

**BEVERLY PARK vs ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS**

**JV-B 1:00 PM**

**JV 1:30 PM**

**VARSITY 3:00 PM**





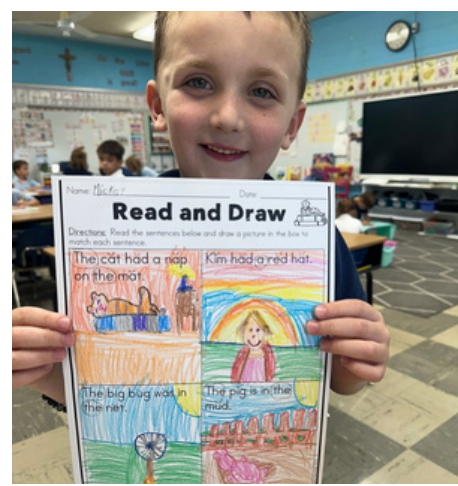
ST. JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

# SPIRIT WEEK

SEPTEMBER 22TH-25TH

<b>Monday</b>	<b>JERSEY DAY:</b> Show support for your favorite team!
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>FUTURE YOU:</b> Wear high school or college spirit wear.
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>HAWAIIAN DAY:</b> Dress in your favorite tropical outfit.
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>BLUE OUT:</b> Wear your SJF blue!









# SJF



# HOMECOMING

## Saturday, September 27th

**9:45-10:15am - Breakfast**

**10:15am - Meet at Bilecki Field**

**10:30am - Prayer & Line Up**

**11:00am - Parade to Beverly Park**

● **4th Grade 12 PM** ● **JV 1:30 pm** ● **Varsity 3:00 pm** ●



**Future Falcons will perform at 12pm**

# **SJF HOMECOMING**



**SEPTEMBER 27, 2025  
GAMES START AT 12:00PM  
BEVERLY PARK**



## **Bring Cash For:**



**Split the Pot**



**Joey's Red Hots 2-6pm**



**Fisher Merch for sale**



**Football square fundraiser**



**Fisher Helmets for sale**



**Concession Stand**



**Hats**



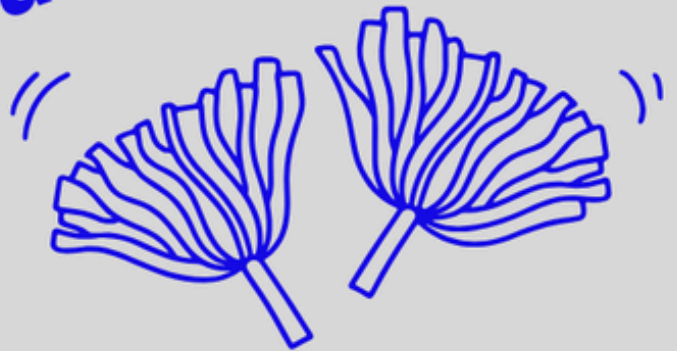
**Koozies**



**T-Shirts**

**Main tent reserved for 8th Grade Parents!**

**Parade kicks off from Bilecki Field @ 11:00 am!**



# Homecoming 2025 September 27th



Meet @ Bilecki at 10:15 am

Line-up at 10:45 am

Parade Kicks Off at 11:00 am



**COMING  
SOON**



# Queen of Hearts

TICKET SALES WILL BEGIN AT  
FISHER FEST.

**FIRST DRAWING**

**SEPTEMBER | 27**  
**7:00 PM**  
@ McNally's

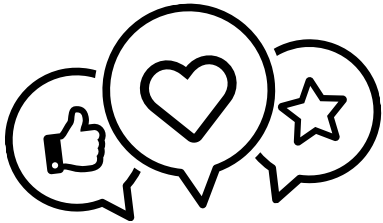
**MORE INFORMATION TO  
COME!**





# SAVE THE DATE

OCTOBER 17<sup>TH</sup>  
7:00P.M.-8:00P.M.



We are excited for the start of the new school year and are equally excited to bring Smart Families to our school. We know the negative impacts of smartphones and social media have on the wellbeing of our students and family life. It is time we started working together to establish new norms in our community that align with our Catholic beliefs.

Smart Families will be hosting an educational event for parents in our community. This is a priority for our school and expect all families to participate.



FREE food truck following meeting. Bring a cooler and a lawn chair for after the meeting.



**\$1000**

## TUITION RAFFLE

Must be present to win.





# TRUNK OR TREAT

FRI., OCT. 24<sup>TH</sup>-SJF PARKING LOT  
5-7PM

BRING A BAG OF CANDY  
(AS YOUR ADMISSION TO THE EVENT)

TEXT OLIVIA KONRATH (312-972-8874)

AND

ANNIE GUINANE (708-715-7420)  
TO ADD YOUR TRUNK



ST. JOHN FISHER  
SCHOOL

JOIN US!

# **FUTURE FALCON PLAYDATE**

**EVERY TUESDAY**

**10:15 A.M. - 11 A.M.**

**ST. JOHN FISHER SCHOOL GYM**

**10200 S. WASHTENAW AVE.**

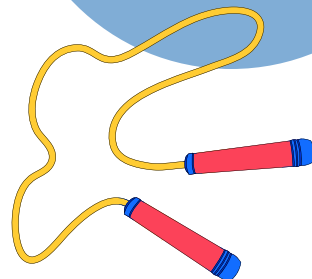
**CHICAGO, IL 60655**

**ALL CHILDREN AGES  
0-3 & CAREGIVERS  
WELCOME!**

**ENJOY A RANGE OF  
FUN ACTIVITIES & GET  
TO KNOW YOUR FELLOW  
FUTURE FALCONS!**

**\*ENTER THROUGH THE MAIN OFFICE**

**\$5  
PER  
CHILD**



# EXTENDED DAY

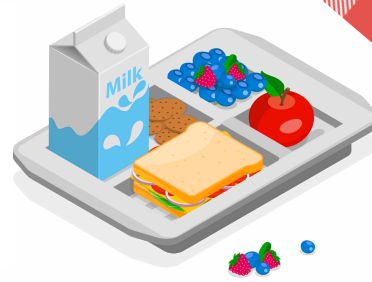


**SIGN UP**  
**HERE!**



**Contact**  
**Mrs. O'Grady**  
**with any questions,**  
**[dogrady@sjfschool.us](mailto:dogrady@sjfschool.us).**





# Ordering is open for school lunches and milk in the month of September!

Dear St. John Fisher Families,

We are extremely excited to being or 9th school year serving the St. John Fisher community! With the continuous increase in labor costs, Country House is implementing a price increase for hot lunch. We are adjusting the price of hot lunch to \$6.75 and the price of a carton of milk to \$1. This price increase not only applies to SJF, but all our grade schools.

The Country House chefs specialize in cooking homemade, from scratch meals. Freshness and quality will never be sacrificed. In our kitchen, you will always see unprocessed meats and fresh produce.

You have received a welcome email from the school with the subject line "Welcome to MealManage." This email confirms that your account is ready to use. Please follow the steps in the email to set up your MealManage account and place your first lunch order!

We are continually striving to improve our service. We value your suggestions and comments, and we are always available to work with you. Thank you for your time.

Jim Terry (terri@sxu.edu)  
Country House Grade School Lunch Program

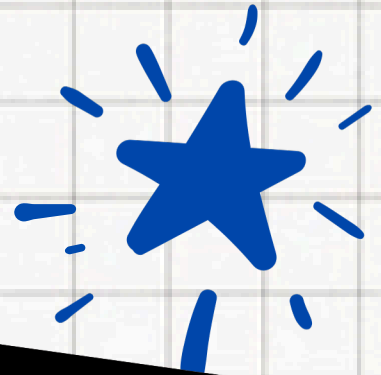
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Soaring High with School Spirit & News



# School Newspaper



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Welcome Back to School!

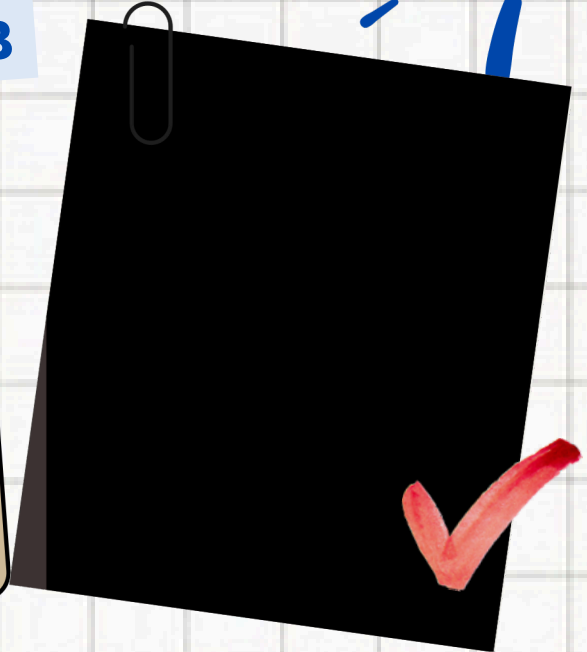
We are so excited to kick off our 2025-2026 Falcon Flyer! Students in grades

3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> are invited to join.

Our first meeting will be held on

**Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>**

during the student's lunch period in Mrs. A.'s room, 206.



## Pro's of Joining the Newspaper

(as if you need a reason)

- ✓ Meetings Held in School
- ✓ Boost Your Writing Skills
- ✓ Meet New People
- ✓ Expand Your Knowledge
- ✓ Diversify Your List of Extracurricular Activities

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please Turn in at Our First Meeting)



Oct 12th

Nov 9th

Dec 14th

Jan 11th

Feb 8th

March 8th

April 12th

May 17th

## St. John Fisher Chess Club

Come join us at 12:00 pm for some friendly chess games in Kane Hall. All are welcome, beginners or masters. All children must be accompanied by an adult.



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*Jen H., earns for hockey*

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\*Below is a list of important dates for the **2025-2026** school year.

*These dates are subject to change.*

- Labor Day – No School: **9.1**
- School Picture Day: **9.2**
- Fisher Fest: **9.19-9.21**, 11:30 a.m. dismissal on 9.19
- Archdiocese Professional Development Day, No Classes: **9.26**
- Homecoming at Beverly Park: **9.27**
- Parent Teacher Conferences: **10.9**, 11:30 a.m. dismissal, 1–7 p.m. Conferences
- No School: **10.10 & 10.13**
- School Picture Retakes: **10.14**
- Smart Families Parent Presentation: **10.17**, 7 p.m.
- Archdiocese Professional Development Day, No Classes: **11.7**
- Thanksgiving Break – No School: **11.26-11.28**, Classes resume **12.1**
- **Christmas Break Begins 12.19**, 11:30 a.m. dismissal
- Christmas Break – No School: **12.22-1.5**, Classes resume **1.6**
- First Reconciliation: **1.12 & 1.13**, 6 p.m.
- Dr. Martin Luther King Day – No School: **1.19**
- Parent Teacher Conferences: **2.5**, 11:30 a.m. dismissal, 1–7 p.m. Conferences
- Archdiocese Professional Development Day, No Classes: **2.6**
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation: **2.7 OR 2.28**, 11 a.m. (TBD)
- President’s Day – No School: **2.16**
- Internal Planning Day, No Classes: **3.16**
- **Easter Break Begins 4.1**, 11:30 a.m. dismissal
- Easter Break – No School: **4.2-4.10**, Classes resume **4.13**
- First Holy Communion: **5.2**, 1 p.m.
- May Crowning: **5.8**, 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. dismissal
- Memorial Day – No School: **5.25**
- Last Day of School for 8th Grade: **5.28**, “Clap-out”
- Graduation: **5.31**, 1 p.m.
- Last Day of School: **6.4**, 10:30 a.m. dismissal



\***1:30 p.m. dismissals** are scheduled for the following dates for faculty meetings, PLC work and council collaboration: **October 15th, January 28th, April 29th, May 27th**