



# NOTES FROM MRS. NASH

*Embracing curious minds. Nurturing compassionate hearts.*

ST. JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

OCTOBER 21, 2022

Dear SJF Families,

We are so excited for tonight's Oktoberfest and would like to give an enormous shout-out to the Oktoberfest Committee for their tireless dedication! All of tonight's proceeds will go directly back to our school in support of our academic excellence goal. SJF hopes to purchase modern classroom furniture for the junior high wing, additional flexible seating, STEAM and coding technology and formalize our art and science labs. This will be an incredibly fun event benefitting our amazing Falcons and our fantastic teachers! We hope to see everyone tonight! Thank you for your continued support of Catholic education, but specifically St. John Fisher School. **PEACE+LOVE+SJF.**

In unity and hope,

*-Mrs. Maura Nash*



## Important Announcements

- Don't forget **this upcoming Wednesday, October 26th is a 1 p.m. dismissal!** It is also a **PINK-OUT** sponsored by SOAR. Students can **dress in all pink for a \$1**. All proceeds go to **Breast Cancer Research**. Thank you for your support!
- **Did you know we use an online portfolio to organize & share your child(ren)'s artwork?** Check your email for a link to your child(ren)'s Artsonia account if you are not already connected. Contact Mrs. Corley for any questions [mcorley@sjfschool.us](mailto:mcorley@sjfschool.us).
- **Extended Day:** As a reminder, this year Extended Day **ENDS AT 5 P.M.** [Visit this link to register your child.](#) Reach out to **Mrs. O'Grady** with any questions, [dogrady@sjfschool.us](mailto:dogrady@sjfschool.us).
- Are you receiving our **monthly parish newsletter**? [Sign up here](#) so you don't miss a beat!

## FSA Corner

- Save the date for our 2nd Annual **Trunk or Treat on October 28th** from 5-7 p.m. in the Church Parking Lot! We need more cars to participate! [Visit this link](#) to register your car for our event. Thank you!
- FSA sponsors the **out of uniform passes for weekend Mass attendance**. If your child attends Mass at SJF, he/she will receive an out of uniform pass to use on the next day of school. **Please sign-up here** if you can help distribute passes at Mass. Thank you!
- **Calling all new families:** Join the SJF FSA Facebook page and never miss any of our important parent and community information! Our page is FSA at SJF on Facebook.
- If you would like to **volunteer** with the FSA, email [sjffsa103@gmail.com](mailto:sjffsa103@gmail.com).

## Pro Labore Dei Update

- Our **coat drive** continues through October 29th. We will be taking donations of slightly used outerwear. Clothing can be dropped off at food drop off on Saturday morning in the Church Parking Lot.
- Our **next lunch making** will be on Saturday, Nov. 6th at 9:15am in the Rectory Basement.
- We need the following:
  - 16 loaves of bread
  - napkins
  - 150 small bags of chips
- A super **BIG THANK YOU to all who continue to donate food items to the PLD pantry and food distribution programs**. We continue to collect every Saturday morning from 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Church Parking Lot. Thank you for your continuous help.
- Any questions, feel free to contact Pam O'Mara (773) 612-0281 or Jerry and Pat Hayes (773) 239-8428.



## Looking Ahead

 <b>WEEKEND MASS</b>	4 p.m. on Saturday & 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Sunday ~ <b>Don't forget to get your out of uniform pass, Falcons!</b> <i>We hope to see you there!</i> 
<b>Monday, October 24th</b>	<b>ETC</b> 3:00p.m.-4:30p.m. <b>Haunted Science Lab</b> w/ Mrs. Altman <b>Canva for Kids</b> w/ Ms. Schiavone  <b>Academic Study Hall</b> w/ Ms. Dunlavy 3:00 - 4:00pm
<b>Tuesday, October 25th</b>	<b>ETC</b> 3:00p.m.-4:00p.m. <b>Witches in Training Academy</b> w/ Mrs. Altman <b>Fit Club</b> w/ Mrs. Sefcik  <b>Homework Club</b> Mrs. Ade, Mrs. Schiller, Ms. Dunlavy 3-3:45p.m.
<b>Wednesday, October 26th</b> <b>SOAR PINK-OUT</b> <b>\$1 Dress Down Day</b>	<b>1 p.m. Dismissal, Faculty &amp; Staff PD</b> <b>*NO ETC's or Homework Club Today!</b>  <b>Academic Study Hall</b> w/ Ms. Dunlavy 7a.m. 
<b>Thursday, October 27th</b>	<b>ETC</b> 3:00p.m.-4:00p.m. <b>Monster Mash</b> w/ Mrs. Altman  <b>HSPT Prep Class</b> w/ Ms. Dunlavy & Mrs. Condon 3:00 - 4:15p.m.
<b>Friday, October 28th</b> 	<b>Pumpkin Entries Due Today</b> in Kane Hall by 7:15a.m.  <b>Trunk or Treat</b> , 5-7p.m. Church Parking Lot



## Social & Emotional Learning

At SJF we continue to build upon our SEL goals. Each month of the school year will have an all-school focus on the trait of the month, helping students strengthen particular social skills with different lessons and activities at the classroom level and as an entire school. We encourage you to talk to your children about these traits at home for a consistent message and focus. The trait of the month program is building upon this year's behavior system and school mantra: **Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe.**

September	Responsibility
October	Respect
November	Gratitude
December	Kindness
January	Integrity
February	Friendship
March	Perseverance
April	Empathy
May	Optimism



**Be Respectful, Responsible &  
Safe. Be a Falcon.**



# HALLOWEEN AT ST. JOHN FISHER!

THIS HALLOWEEN...

- EVERYONE CAN WEAR THEIR COSTUMES!
- THERE WILL BE A HALLOWEEN PARADE!
- THE PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST WILL TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY, 10.28
- THE PUMPKIN CONTEST IS OPEN TO ALL! DO ONE WITH YOUR FRIENDS, YOUR FAMILY OR BY YOURSELF.
- ALL PUMPKINS MUST BE IN KANE HALL ON 10.28 BY 7:15 A.M.



# Manna Update

Mondays: 8:00 – 9:00 AM  
Wednesdays: 6:00 – 7:00 PM  
Thursdays: 8:00 – 9:00 AM  
Fridays: 2:00 – 3:00 PM  
Saturdays: 8:30 – 9:30 AM  
Sundays: 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM

We will continue to look for ways to manage the costs of running the program, so it continues to be a good fundraiser for the school while reducing family tuition costs. With the holidays coming, we hope the expanded hours allow increased participation. We may need to adjust in off peak times based on participation.

**Please note: Manna can be sent home with SJF students. A few requirements:**

- PLEASE SUBMIT: Manna Waiver Form - Agreement for Gift Cards to be sent home through School. Submitting this form will signal to the Manna team that you'd like ALL orders to be sent home from school.
- Use <https://www.raiseright.com/> or Download the App (*As Easy as Venmo*)
- Place order by 10 AM on Sundays and gift cards will be sent home on THURSDAYS. If you miss that deadline, your order will be sent home the following Thursday.
- Note: If this is the method you choose, all orders submitted and paid for will be delivered this way. If you decide to revert back to picking up your orders at the convent, please email [sjfmanna@gmail.com](mailto:sjfmanna@gmail.com) to be removed from the "Send Home" list.

## Simple steps for creating opportunities



### You buy a gift card

You get the full value.



### The brand gives back

No extra money comes out of your pocket.



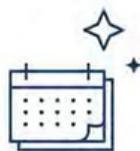
### Your organization earns

Impacting what matters most to you.



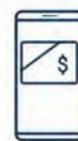
### Budget friendly

There's no need to buy things you don't want. There's no need to spend extra money.



### Time saving

It fits right into your schedule, without having to sell door-to-door or plan events.



### Contactless

Use your smartphone or tablet to earn from anywhere—even from the comfort of your own home.



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\*Below is a list of important dates for the 2022-2023 school year. Because of the unpredictable world we live in, these dates are subject to change. We are hopeful for a very “normal” school year ahead!

- School Picture Make-up Day: **11.17**
- **11.23** ~ 11:30 dismissal
- Thanksgiving Break: **11.24 – 11.27** \*classes resume **11.28**
- **12.2** ~ 1:30 dismissal
- Christmas Break: **12.22 – 1.4** \*classes resume **1.5**
- Martin Luther King Day – No School: **1.16**
- Confirmation: **2.4** ~ 11:00 a.m.
- Graduation Picture Day: **2.8**
- Parent Teacher Conferences: **2.16**
- All -Staff Religious Formation & Professional Development (no classes): **2.17**
- President’s Day – No School: **2.20**
- No School: **3.13**
- Faculty Professional Development – No School: **3.24**
- Faculty Professional Development – No School: **4.5**
- Spring Break: **4.6 – 4.16** \*classes resume **4.17**
- First Holy Communion: **4.29**
- Memorial Day – No School: **5.29**
- Last Day of School for 8 Grade: **6.2**
- Graduation: **6.4** ~ 1 p.m. in church
- Last Day of School: **6.8** ~ 10:30 dismissal

**Come as you are. You are loved.**



\***1 p. m. dismissals** are scheduled for the last Wednesday of the following months for faculty meetings, PLC work and council collaboration: **October 26th, November 30th, December 14th, January 25th, February 22nd, March 29th, April 26th, May 31st.**



# 2022-2023 St. John Fisher School Contacts

If you have a question or concern...

- Assignments
- Homework Class
- Activities

Contact [Classroom Teacher](#) by email or note.

- Discipline
- Classroom
- Behavior/Specific Incidents

Start by contacting the [Classroom Teacher](#) for an appointment.  
If further assistance is needed, contact SJF Assistant Principal, Mrs. Claire Larmon: [clarmon@sjfschool.us](mailto:clarmon@sjfschool.us)

- Reporting Attendance

E-mail [attendance@sjfschool.us](mailto:attendance@sjfschool.us)

- Schedules
- Calendar
- Arrival/Dismissal
- Miscellaneous Questions
- Hot Lunch

Mrs. Kris Houston: [khouston@sjfschool.us](mailto:khouston@sjfschool.us)

- Registration
- Admissions Medical
- Forms

Contact the school office at 773-445-4737, or Mrs. Linda Murray: [lmurray@sjfschool.us](mailto:lmurray@sjfschool.us)

- Powerschool
- Tuition
- Fees
- Technology

Mrs. Delphine Maxwell: [dmaxwell@sjfschool.us](mailto:dmaxwell@sjfschool.us)

- Virtus Training and Compliance
- Religious Education
- Extended Day Program
- Manna Program

Virtus, Mrs. Redmond: [mredmond@sjfschool.net](mailto:mredmond@sjfschool.net)  
Religious Education, Dr. Chermak: [echermak@sjfschool.us](mailto:echermak@sjfschool.us)  
Extended Day, Mrs. O'Grady: [dogrady@sjfschool.us](mailto:dogrady@sjfschool.us)  
Manna Team: [sjfmanna@gmail.com](mailto:sjfmanna@gmail.com)

- Counseling

SJF Counselor, Mrs. Julie Schultz: [jschultz@sjfschool.us](mailto:jschultz@sjfschool.us)

- Student Accommodation Plans

Mrs. Win Biernacki (K-4): [wbiernacki@sjfschool.us](mailto:wbiernacki@sjfschool.us)  
Mrs. Karen Brogan (5-8): [kbrogan@sjfschool.us](mailto:kbrogan@sjfschool.us)



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If you have a question or concern about...

- Reading Intervention

Ms. Mary Schiavone, [mschiavone@sjfschool.us](mailto:mschiavone@sjfschool.us)

- Math Intervention

Ms. Molly Cummings, [mcummings@sjfschool.us](mailto:mcummings@sjfschool.us)

- Public Relations

Mrs. Megan Corley, [mcorley@sjfschool.us](mailto:mcorley@sjfschool.us)

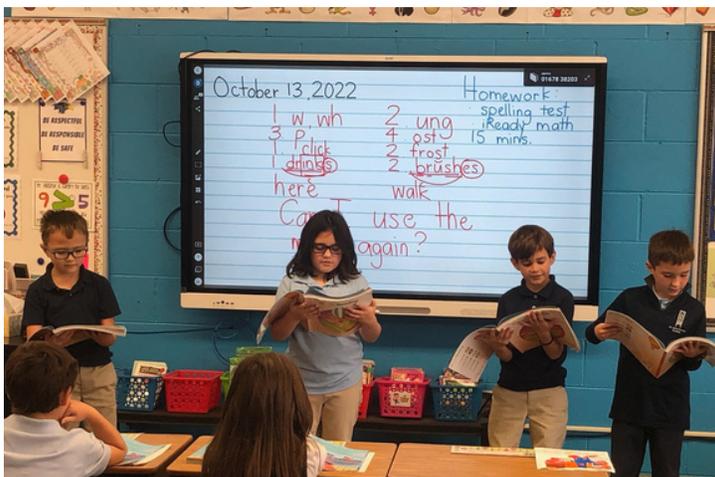
- Parent Newsletter
- Financial Aid Applications
- School Procedures
- Administrative Matters
- Policy
- Further assistance on any matter listed above

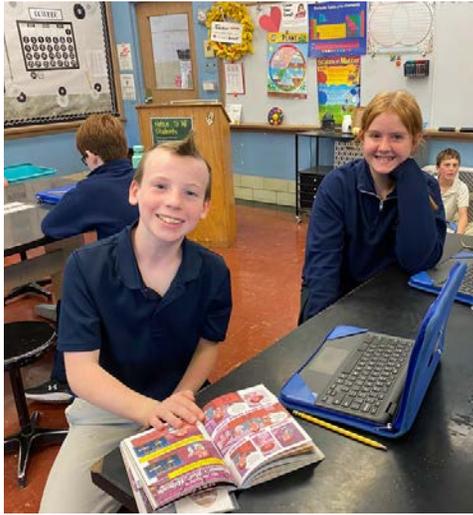
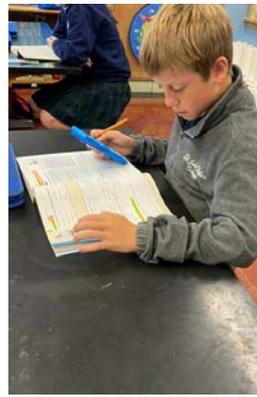
Contact SJF Principal,  
Mrs. Maura Nash: [mnash@sjfschool.us](mailto:mnash@sjfschool.us)

- Band
- School Board
- Athletic Programs
- Family School Association
- Women's Club
- Holy Name Society

Mr. Bill Gula: [mr.gula@aol.com](mailto:mr.gula@aol.com)  
School Advisory Board: [sjfsab@gmail.com](mailto:sjfsab@gmail.com)  
Athletic Association: [stjohnfishersports@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnfishersports@gmail.com)  
FSA: [sjffsa103@gmail.com](mailto:sjffsa103@gmail.com)  
Women's Club: [SJFWomensClub@gmail.com](mailto:SJFWomensClub@gmail.com)  
HNS: [SJFHNS@gmail.com](mailto:SJFHNS@gmail.com)









Happy  
Principal's  
Day



Mrs.  
Nash!!

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ST JOHN FISHER PRESENTS



# OKTOBER FEST

\$30 PRESALE

\$35 AT THE DOOR

**The Ron Burgundy**  
Vacht Rock and other 'softcore' Rock

**SECONDHAND NEWS**

CHICAGO'S FLEETWOOD MAC TRIBUTE

*Beverly  
Country  
Club*



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**21  
OCT  
5-11PM**

Whittingham Burgers & Brats, Bavarian Pretzels, Horse Thief & Open Outcry Oktoberfest Beers, Domestic Beers and 90+ Cellars Seasonal Wines all available for purchase. Split the Pot & Raffle Baskets.

LOCATED IN ST. JOHN FISHER PARKING LOT



# St. John Fisher PINK OUT



## No One FIGHTS Alone!

- Wednesday, October 26 is a FULL out of uniform day
- Every student is asked to wear PINK to support breast cancer
- Students are asked to make a donation of \$1.00 or more to support Breast Cancer Awareness and Research

Please use [this form](#) to sign up  
to decorate your trunk.

**Oct  
28  
5-7pm**

Food will be available for  
purchase

# Trunk *or* Treat

**Prizes for Best Trunk &  
Best Costume**

**Join us in the SJF Parking Lot**

please donate a bag of candy as your entry fee

Contact Corey O'Malley (708)989-9145  
or Lynn O'Brien (708)420-5469 with any questions

# Confirmation Enrollment Mass



**Sunday, November 6, 2022**

**11:00 a.m. (time change Sunday)**

**Parish Mass**

**for Confirmation Candidates & families.**

**Please sit close to the front.**

# LET'S EAT, DRINK

& be thankful



## friendsgiving

Tuesday,  
NOVEMBER

22ND

6:00 PM

Cost: Free if you have  
paid Women Club

Dues or \$20  
at the door.



KANE HALL  
NOT ONLY WILL WE HAVE A  
THANKSGIVING FEAST BUT WE WILL  
ALSO BE PLAYING BUNCO  
RSVP BY NOV 1ST



*Please bring either a dessert or an  
app. We will provide the dinner.*



[Click here to RSVP](#)

# DID YOU MISS THE BACK TO SCHOOL SHIRT SALE?

**THERE ARE MORE SHIRTS AVAILABLE FOR SALE  
IN THE OFFICE.**



**SHIRTS ARE \$10 EACH**

**SEND MONEY TO THE OFFICE WITH THE SIZES YOU NEED**

**LIMITED SIZES AVAILABLE**

Contact Mrs. Corley for any questions [mcorley@sjfschool.us](mailto:mcorley@sjfschool.us)