



Notes from Mrs. Nash

St. John Fisher School

May 3, 2019

Dear SJF Families,

I hope you have all survived the rain! The sunshine today is such a welcome change in the weather as this week has been so dreary. Fortunately, it has not put a damper on all of the happenings in our building, one of the most exciting of them being First Holy Communion! Our second graders have been practicing tirelessly for their big day. Please join me in praying for our First Holy Communicants as they partake in this sacrament tomorrow morning. Thank you so much to our dedicated teachers: Mrs. Ade, Ms. Broncato, Mrs. Connelly, Mrs. Kellam and Dr. Chermak for all of your incredible work preparing our children for this important day.

By now, I hope you all had an opportunity to read my e-mail pertaining to the **5 Essentials Survey** as well as the upcoming **Desserts and Discussion Roundtable Events**. These are incredibly important elements of our strategic planning initiative, and I am so grateful for your engagement in these efforts. I look forward to collaborating with all of you to enhance our school community.

I cannot stress enough to please communicate with your children about the child luring reports we have received this week. As the weather continues to warm up, our children will be playing outside more frequently, and their safety is of my utmost priority! Please report any suspicious behavior to school.

Congratulations to all of our boys volleyball teams who have been experiencing great success this season! Their seasons will be coming to an end this week with many games this upcoming Sunday at Brother Rice. Best of luck to all of the teams – Go Falcons!

As always, thank you so much for your continued support of Catholic education.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Maura Nash

Important Announcements

- **5Essentials Survey** is live! One parent/guardian from each school family is encouraged to complete the 5Essentials survey we announced earlier this week. Please visit <https://survey.5-essentials.org/archchicago/survey/parent> as soon as possible to do so.
- The School Board’s **Desserts & Discussion** community roundtable events are coming up. Please join us on either **Tuesday, May 14th at 7p** or **Sunday, May 19th after 10a mass** to share your thoughts on strategic planning priorities. Help us prepare by registering at <http://bit.ly/SJFRoundTable> if you know you’ll be in attendance.
- If you have something you would like considered for inclusion in these weekly notes, please send an e-mail to notes@sifschool.net. The deadline for submission is Wednesdays at noon.

Peek at the Week



Saturday, May 4 th	• First Holy Communion
Sunday, May 5 th	
Monday, May 6 th	• SOAR students volunteering @ Special Olympics
Tuesday, May 7 th	
Wednesday, May 8 th	• Junior High Field Trip to the Holocaust Museum
Thursday, May 9 th	• Future Falcon Friends Open Gym – 10:30-11:15am
Friday, May 10 th	• May Crowning – 11am



Awards & Achievements

**Boys Volleyball**

Congratulations to our 6A, 7A & 8A Boys Volleyball Teams who are all competing in the Southside Boys Volleyball League championship for their division this Sunday, May 5th at Brother Rice High School.

6A vs St. Catherine at 2pm

7A vs Our Lady of the Woods at 3pm

8A vs St. Catherine at 4pm

6A & 8A will also be competing for the Southside Catholic Conference Championship for their division on Wednesday, May 8th at St. Rita High School.

6A vs St. Catherine at 6pm

8A vs St. Catherine for GOLD BALL Championship at 8pm

Class of 2019 Success!

Teresa Bonko – Agatha O’Brien Scholarship, Mother McAuley High School
Liam Brady – Gilmore Legacy Scholarship, James Barda Leadership Award, Public Safety First Responder Scholarship, and Shoulder to Shoulder Scholarship, Mt. Carmel High School
Marty Canavan – Marist Redhawk Award (top 5%), Marist High School
Pat Carmody – Academic Scholarship, St. Rita High School
Jimmy Crowley – Marist Redhawk Award (top 5%), Marist High School
Liam Deacy – Marist Redhawk Award (top 5%), Marist High School and the SCC Christian Leadership Award
Abby Gallagher – Champagnat Award (top 10%), Marist High School
Ryan Gierhahn – Christian Brothers Scholarship, Brother Rice High School
Samantha Giglio – SCC Christian Leadership Award
Emmett Griffin – Christian Brothers Scholarship, Brother Rice High School
Christina Hernandez – Board of Trustees Scholarship, Mother McAuley High School
Liza Karstrand – Agatha O’Brien Scholarship, Mother McAuley High School
Grace Lyons – Champagnat Award (top 10%), Marist High School
Colleen Malloy – Agatha O’Brien Scholarship, Mother McAuley High School
Grace McNamara – Knights of Columbus Scholarship, Mother McAuley High School
John McNamara – Marist Redhawk Award (top 5%) and the Gregory D. Beeson Scholarship, Marist High School
Caitlin McDonagh – McAuley Impact Award, Mother McAuley High School
Ella Mulchrone – Agatha O’Brien Scholarship, Mother McAuley High School
Tess O’Leary – Agatha O’Brien Scholarship, Mother McAuley High School
Abigail Olsen – Helen and Dick Carey Scholarship, Mother McAuley High School
Mickey Shultz – The Nicholas A. Iosue Academic Scholarship and First Responders Award, Mt. Carmel High School
Ryan Sommerfeld – Waterford Scholarship (top 10%), Brother Rice High School
Ava Spreitzer – Champagnat Award (top 10%) and the Gregory D. Beeson Scholarship, Marist High School



Congratulations!

FSA Corner

Mom-Daughter Luncheon

Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend

Join us for a
RED-CARPET Luncheon
Semi-Formal
Adults (ages 13+) \$25
(Grandmas Welcome)
Children (ages 5-12) \$12
Children (ages 4 and under) Free

Includes: Lunch | DJ | 1 Adult drink ticket | Dessert Station | Games | Bounce House (kids 3-7) | Gift Baskets

Cash Prizes for BEST DRESSED

*Pick your favorite movie
for Split the Pot
"Oscar Photos" \$5*

*May 18, 2019
115 Bourbon Street
Check in time 11:15
Doors open 11:30-3:30*

*RSVP May 9th Send Check or Cash to (FSA) Mark Envelope Lunch Event
Include: Full Name and how many adult/Children*

School Board

The SJF School Board presents

DESSERTS



DISCUSSION

All SJF parents and parishioners are invited to join members of the School Board in round table discussions over coffee and sweet treats.

Tuesday, May 14th (7 p.m.) OR
May 19th (11 a.m.)

Dialogue topics include:

- ✓ Academic advancement and curriculum
- ✓ School mission and culture
- ✓ Financial health and fundraising
- ✓ Campus space and maintenance

Guests are invited to pre-select the round table discussion(s) in which they would like to participate.

*Please contact SJFSAB@gmail.com with questions

Register at: <http://bit.ly/SJFRoundTable>
Walk-ins welcome!