



11/10/23

St. Joseph School Families,

**Virtuous Minute:**

Click here for another connection to the virtue of [Clemency](#). This virtue is about the importance of forgiving others. This can be extremely difficult, but is something that we should demonstrate to the ones that we love most.

**Important Dates:**

November 15th: No School

November 21st: Spelling Bee ( Grades 4th-6th & Grades 7th, 8th)

November 22-24th: No School- Thanksgiving Break

**Arrival/Dismissal:** As many of you have noticed the construction in front of the school is coming to an end. We are still waiting for the company to paint the lines for parking. The current procedures have been working well and seem to provide a safer way to cross the street. The following are the descriptions of the updated expectations. Thank you for your patience during this project!

**Morning Arrival** - Maintain the current process

**After School Dismissal** - Maintain the current process

**Late Drop Off/Early Student Pick Up** - You may park in front of the school

**Dress Code:** Please remember that denim is not allowed on Mass days, which are Wednesdays & Fridays.

**Picture Day Retakes:** Will be Tuesday, January 16th. If you would like your child/ren to have retakes, please let the office know so we can add them to the list.

**Giving Tuesday:** is a global day of giving and an opportunity for Catholics and others to #GiveCatholicWM in support of our diocese's parishes, schools, and ministries. During 24 hours of giving on Nov. 28, we encourage you to donate to your favorite parish, school, or other ministry in the diocese with the goal of accomplishing good things together through the power of generosity. Help us win a grant by participating in the "Be Fruitful & Multiply" challenge by Catholic Charities of West Michigan.

**Children's Choir:** Students in 2nd - 8th grade are welcome to join Mrs. Catherine Weber on Sunday, November 26th at the 10 o'clock mass to sing in the choir. We would like to have a count for students. If your child/ren would like to join, please [sign up here](#) and be at the church by 9:45am.

**Classroom Baskets:** Century Club is looking for a few more parent volunteers to head up classroom baskets. Please contact Megan Winsor at (517)331-2513 if you are interested.

**Christmas Dance Class:** For children in Y5-3rd grade that want to learn a dance routine that is a beautiful expression of our life in Jesus. Natalie Reid will be teaching a 6 week dance session at The Ark in Westphalia. For more information and sign up, [click here](#).

**Teacher Emails:** If you are in need of a teacher's email. Please see the [spreadsheet](#). Keep in mind the teachers email is their first initial followed by a period then last name @stjosephpewamo.org.

**School Hours:** The office hours are from 7:30 am- 3:30 pm. If you need to make an arrangement with a teacher after hours you can call the school or send them an email. 21

**Moms Hot Lunch Menu:**

November 14 (Tuesday)- Chef Salad

November 29- Hot Ham & Cheese

December 6- Pizza

**Upcoming Playground Supervisors:**

Aaron Schneider, Adam Schneider- Nov. 13, 14, 16

Alton Schneider, Casey Schneider- Nov. 17, 20, 21

Glenn Schneider, Brent Simon- Nov. 27, 28, 29

View the full list [here](#).

**Braves Athletics**

**Boys Basketball:** If you would like to cheer on our 5th/6th & 7th/8th grade boys, [here](#) is a look at their upcoming games. Good Luck Braves!

**Athletic Opportunities**

**PW Youth Wrestling:** Is starting a youth Wrestling program for the PW community this year. For grades BK- 6th. This is a great new opportunity for our young athletes and our community. Wrestling is a sport that can teach our kids Discipline, Personal Accountability, Athleticism, Mental and Emotional Resilience, Leadership Skills, and down the road may provide opportunities for further Education. If you are interested, [click here](#) for more information & sign up.

Have a great weekend and God Bless!

Be Brave In Christ,

Ryan Weber

**School Mission**

“St. Joseph School, staff, parents, and parish family are committed to teaching quality, Christ-centered Catholic beliefs and values. Our uniqueness is displayed in our staff dedication, parental involvement, and community pride, which make St. Joseph a leader in academic excellence, social integration and appreciation of each individual as a child of God.”