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Hello St. Joseph School Families,

Happy All Saints Day! Today, we celebrate with joy and gratitude the countless saints who have gone before us, living lives of holiness and showing us the path to Heaven. We are incredibly blessed to have our Savior, Jesus, who sacrificed everything to open the doors of Heaven for each of us. May the example of the saints inspire us to grow in faith, love, and service!

Also, a huge thank you to the PTO for all your hard work and time putting on the Chili Cook-Off!

Calendar Dates:

11/2: Chili Cook-Off @ 5:30
11/7: Middle School Open House @ 6:30
11/12: Picture Retake Day
11/15: No School
11/25: Spelling Bee Grades 4th-8th
11/28-11/29: No School- Thanksgiving Break

St. Joseph School PTO Chili Cook-Off: IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO ENTER YOUR CHILIS! Saturday @ 5:30 with the winner being announced @ 7:00. Please reach out to Haley Weber at 517-896-5451 or via email at pto@stjosephpewamo.org. There will be a cash reward for the best chili in town! Admission for this event is by donation only. Gather your friends and family to support our PTO!

All School Photo: Wednesday, November 6th, Please have students Y5 - 8th grade wear their St. Joseph Polos or a plain **Royal Blue** polo. If you do not have one, let the office know.

Dropoff/Pickup Procedure: For the safety of all our students, please remember to drop off your students behind the Church and pick them up in the church parking lot. Using the designated drop-off and pick-up area helps ensure a smooth and safe transition for everyone. **If your child has a different after school pick up, the office needs to be notified.

Daylight Saving: Daylight Saving is Sunday, so don't forget to turn your clocks back!

Middle School Open House: St. Joseph Catholic School wants to help you continue to build upon your child's Catholic School investment in these critical years! The Middle School Open House will take place Thursday, November 7th at 6:30 PM at the school. Come talk with St. Joseph staff and learn about the unique opportunities and benefits St. Joseph Catholic School offers specifically for 7th & 8th grade.

Confirmation Date: Confirmation Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Andrew in Grand Rapids on May 4, 2025 at 3:00pm. More information will be shared with our Confirmation preparation families once we get closer.

Bishop Scholarship: Round one of the 2025-2026 Bishop Scholarship is now available. If you are interested in applying, here is the [Parent Instructions](#) on what is needed and I have attached the [Parent Application](#) guide as well.

Michigan Catholic Tribune Circulating: Some of you may remember the newspaper from 2022 entitled the "Michigan Catholic Tribune." We have become aware of its presence again here in Michigan including within our diocese. In 2022, the newspaper was mailed to random households within the diocese, both Catholic and non-Catholic. The Tribune falsely presents itself as a Catholic publication and includes politically related content meant to assist Catholic voters in casting their ballots. The publication is not in alignment with [Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship](#). This publication and its accompanying website

are not endorsed by, nor are they affiliated with the Diocese of Grand Rapids or the Catholic Church. We know that the paper has already been received by at least one household in our diocese, along with other dioceses of the State. We do not know who or how many people may have received this newspaper. To see more information you can visit the diocese [website](#).

Moms Hot Lunch Menu

11/6: Pizza

11/13: Grilled Cheese

11/20: Baked Spaghetti

View the [menu here](#).

Playground Duty Schedule

St. Joseph School Calendar

School Staff Emails

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.”