



November 18, 2024

*St. Joan of Arc, help us to be fearless and strong in our faith. May we listen to the will of God. Help us to be courageous in our mission to defend the teachings of our Lord and King, Jesus Christ, just like you.
Amen.*

Dear Lourdes Catholic School Families,

Thank you to Home and School for a fun Trivia Night on Friday! It was great to see so many parents and teachers enjoying time together.

Thank you to the Flaherty family, the Girsakis family, the Armstrong family and the Reilly family for the time they spent spreading mulch in the cold and rain yesterday. The playground looks great!

This week the 3rd, 5th and 7th graders will be taking the CogAT test. This test assesses each student's reasoning in the areas of verbal, quantitative and non-verbal abilities. The results help teachers make decisions about how to best support the learning of each student. The results will be shared when they are returned to us late winter.

Thank you for your ongoing dedication to Catholic education. May the prayers of Saint Bernadette and Saint Joan of Arc guide and bless us all.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Katie Selden

Principal

[Lunch Menu changes](#)

There is a lettuce shortage, so we have a couple of adjustments to this week's menu.

Tuesday: Salad is replaced with Cucumbers

Wednesday: Salad is replaced with Carrots

We are also discontinuing the alternate option of the Ham and Cheese sandwich. We are still offering hot lunch and the alternate option of PBJ.

[Concerts and Programs](#)

Band and Choir Concert Tuesday, Nov. 19 2pm Gym (**wear uniforms**)

K-8 Christmas Program Wednesday, Dec. 18 10am Gym
(wear Sunday Best for K-5; and uniforms for Gr. 6-8)

Preschool/PreK Christmas Program Friday, Dec. 20 10:30am Church

[Student Hunger Drive REWARDS!](#)

Thank you for supporting our student hunger drive and donating an all-time record number of cans: over 4,000!! While we love seeing the friendly competition among our classrooms, our hearts are overflowing with the impact that these donations will have on our community to help with the needs of many hungry families!

- **Extra Recess** - Will be completed within each homeroom. Some have already done so!
- **Friday, November 22 (THIS Friday!) Themed NUT Day** - Each classroom has voted upon a unique theme. Watch for an email from your child's teacher with this information! Students may either dress in their class voted theme for the day or wear Spirit Wear and uniform bottoms.
- **Tuesday, November 26th - Free Shoe Choice, Sweet Treat, AND Comfy, Cozy Movie Day** - - Student Council will be passing out sweet treats! Students have a new reward as well: free shoe choice! They may wear Crocs, slides, comfy boots, etc throughout the day. ***If your child has gym class, they also need to bring appropriate athletic shoes to wear for that class period.*** The last reward is a comfy, cozy movie party in their classrooms! Students may wear sweatpants, pajamas, or other school-appropriate comfy, relaxed attire for the day.

[Christmas Eve Children's Choir](#)

A Children's Choir is being put together for the 4PM Christmas Eve Mass. The next rehearsal will be Sunday, November 17th following the 10:30 AM Mass. If you have a child who is interested in singing, please contact Grant Lenz: bettlourdesmusic@diodav.org

[Basketball](#)

Below is a link to a signup genius for volunteers to work the concession stand during game nights. If you are available, please sign up to help. [Lourdes: Admission/Concessions Girls Basketball](#)

[Cookies and Dreams Fundraiser](#)

Please see the attachment for information. The due date for returning the forms is this Friday, November 22. Cookies will be delivered December 17th.

[Angel Tree](#)

Save the Date! - Join us this weekend, November 23 and 24, for the kickoff of our annual Angel Tree Outreach event. The Outreach Committee has been diligently preparing angel tags and compiling a list of families and individuals from Lourdes Parish and individuals in our

community who need our support this year. Angel tags will be available for pickup in the Gathering Space after each service on November 23 and 24. Please return the unwrapped gifts to the Gathering Space with the tag attached and, if possible, with wrapping supplies. You can drop off the gifts on November 30-December 1 or December 7-8. All gifts need to be returned by December 8 by 5PM Mass. We invite you to prayerfully consider supporting our Parish families and community this year. For any questions, please contact Katelyn Darling at 319-415-8990 or katelyn@katelyndarling.com. Monetary donations are also appreciated and can be placed in the "Neighbors in Need Box" located in the Gathering Space. Please label these donations as "Angel Tree." Thank you for your generosity and support!

[RaiseRight—EASY fundraising!!](#)

Fundraising with RaiseRight is easy! Buy gift cards from your favorite brands to earn on your daily purchases. Groceries, gas, clothing, home goods, home improvement, or whatever you're spending money on, funnel those dollars through a gift card to raise money for Lourdes. No extra money spent! Download the RaiseRight [app](#) on your phone or go to <https://www.raiseright.com/enroll> to get started. Use enrollment code B35FE9FB1543 when signing up. Contact our program coordinators with questions: Megan Wilkinson at Megan.M.Wilkinson@gmail.com or Ryan Wermes at Ryan.Wermes@gmail.com

[Box Tops](#)

Join us in earning money for Lourdes by using the Box Tops app. It's an easy way to make a difference. Download the app, scan your grocery receipts with your phone's camera, and earn money for our school! Plus, use the referral code E8LR2FTD when you sign up and you'll get 25 Bonus Box Tops when you scan your first receipt now through 05/31/2025, while supplies last. Use the link below to download the Box Tops app:
https://btfe.smart.link/c2jjdifkw?referral_code=E8LR2FTD

[Facebook](#)

You are invited to follow the school Facebook page! Regular updates include pictures from school, reminders about events, etc. Click [here](#).

[Library Volunteers](#)

[November sign-up](#). Happy Reading! ~Mrs. Emerle: erindunn78@gmail.com

[Lunchroom, Recess Volunteers](#)

To view our other volunteer needs and sign-up options for recess, lunch, morning greeters, and library [here](#)!

[Middle School Youth Group \(MSYG\)](#)

Wednesdays 6:16-7:45 in the LCS Gym: Nov. 20; Dec. 11; Jan. 8, 22; Feb. 5, 10; March 12, 26; April 9

[Choir](#)

Choir rehearsal dates: Nov. 20 (last rehearsal until Mrs. Freemyer returns)

[Birthdays this week](#)

Happy Birthday this week to James P (gr. 6), Alex S (gr. 4), Ingrid K (gr. 7), Owen S (gr. 5), Grace N (K), Shane L (gr. 4) and Maggie G. (pre)

[Assumption Sports and Activities](#)

- [Weekly update](#) from **Assumption High School**

[School Calendar](#)

- [School Calendar 24-25](#)

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- [Our Lady of Lourdes](#)
- [St. John Vianney](#)
- [St. Joan of Arc Foundation](#)









A hand-drawn logo in brown ink on a light gray background. The logo consists of a large, hand-drawn circle. Inside the circle, the words "Cookies" and "& Dreams" are written in a cursive, handwritten font. The word "Cookies" is on the top line, and "& Dreams" is on the bottom line. There are several small, hand-drawn squares scattered around the text, some above and some below, resembling sprinkles or crumbs. The overall style is casual and artistic.

Cookies
& Dreams