

October 21, 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,

Welcome to the busy week of Parent-Teacher Conferences for our K-8 students. Please note the schedule for the week shared below. Last year we had 100% participation for Conferences and we aim for the same this year. Thank you for taking the time to meet with your child(s) teacher(s).

And as always, thank you for your continued commitment to Catholic education and for being a part of the Lourdes Catholic School community. May Saint Bernadette and Saint Joan of Arc intercede for us as we move forward together.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Katie Selden

Principal

# Schedule for this week: K-8 Conference Reminders

Please see the links to sign-up for Parent-Teacher Conferences, grades K-8.

- K-5 Parent Teacher Conferences sign-up
- Middle School Parent Teacher Conferences sign up

The Preschool and PreK Conferences are in November. Preschool and PreK have regular school hours this week. Please see below for details about the schedule:

- Monday, Oct. 21 Regular school day for Preschool/PreK/K-8
- Tuesday, Oct. 22 Early Release (2:30) for K-8 Conferences. Regular school day for Preschool/Prek
- Wednesday, Oct. 23 Early Release (2:30) for K-8 and PreK.

- Thursday, Oct. 24 Early Release (2:30) for K-8 Conferences. Regular school day for Preschool/Prek
- Friday, Oct. 25 NO SCHOOL for Preschool/PreK/K-8
- Monday, Oct. 28 NO SCHOOL for Preschool/PreK/K-8

# Mark your calendars: Trivia Night! November 15th

Sponsored by Home and School. More information to come!

# **Halloween at Lourdes**

Parent Social following the School Parade

# **Donuts with Dads Mark your calendars!**



Mark your calendars for November 8th! Donuts with Dads will be held before school that morning. More details to come!

# 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 <a href="https://www.raiseright.com/enroll">https://www.raiseright.com/enroll</a> to get started. Use enrollment code B35FE9FB1543 when signing up. Contact our program coordinators with questions: Megan Wilkinson at <a href="mailto:Megan.M.Wilkinson@gmail.com">Megan.M.Wilkinson@gmail.com</a> or Ryan Wermes at <a href="mailto:Ryan.Wermes@gmail.com">Ryan.Wermes@gmail.com</a>

# **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

**Volleyball CHAMPIONS!** 

Congratulations to the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade volleyball teams for winning the championship yesterday!







# **Scouts Greenery Sale**

If you know a scout with troop 199 or 1199 please reach out to them directly today, to place a Christmas greenery order. Their personal orders are due tonight. If you would like to place an order online to have it shipped directly to your house, those can continue to be placed through November 15th at <a href="www.evergreenindustries.com">www.evergreenindustries.com</a>. Please change the customer code at checkout to BST199 for the troop to get credit. Please email Kris at <a href="kriseanderson@hotmail.com">kriseanderson@hotmail.com</a> if you have questions.

# **Angel Tree**

November 9/10 and November 16/17

Save the Date! - Join us on 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." <u>Thank you for your generosity and support!</u>

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#### **Marriage and Family Ministry**

Family and Marriage Ministry: Small groups are forming now for Invest in Your Marriage. Groups of 4-6 couples will meet once per month for six sessions to discuss issues pertinent to your relationship. The cost is free. Whether you're newlyweds or have been married for years this could be the best investment you'll ever make! Every relationship could use a little enrichment! Please sign up by October 21. Contact Maureen and Tim Conrad, iowaconrads@yahoo.com or 563-940-5921.

"Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in their midst." -Matthew 18:20

#### **Library Volunteers**

A note from Mrs. Emerle:Thank you for your patience with me getting the October sign-up done. You will notice I have added 2 spots to most of the younger classes, they are quite large this year and we are happy to have ALL the help during those times. Thank you for signing up: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A48AAAC2BA02-51815215-library#/">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A48AAAC2BA02-51815215-library#/</a> Happy Reading! ~Mrs. Emerle: <a href="mailto:erindunn78@gmail.com">erindunn78@gmail.com</a>

# **Lunchroom, Recess Volunteers**

To view our other volunteer needs and sign-up options for recess, lunch, morning greeters, and library <u>here!</u>

# Middle School Youth Group (MSYG)

Wednesdays 6:16-7:45 in the LCS Gym

Sept. <del>11, 25</del>; Oct. <del>9</del>, 23; Nov. 6, 20; Dec. 11; Jan. 8, 22; Feb. 5, 10; March 12, 26; April 9

Notes from Mrs. Freemeyer

Choir rehearsal dates: Sept 4, 18; Oct. 2, 16; Nov. 6, 20; Dec. 4 (if Mrs. Freemyer's new baby isn't here yet)

#### Birthdays this week

Happy Birthday this week to Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Johnson, Storm (gr. 3), Julianne (gr. 1), Briar (preK), Owen (gr. 1), Aubrey (gr. 2), Gunner (gr. 4), Ben (gr. 4), Kade (gr. 3), Audrey (gr. 1), Harrison (gr. 6)

# 2024-2025 Lourdes Catholic School Available positions

Current job postings below

- Long-term Music Teacher Substitute: December-April
   Must have Iowa or Illinois Teaching License or Substitute Authorization. K-8

   Music Endorsement preferred.
- o Substitute (Guest) Classroom Teacher
  - Guest teacher
  - <u>Substitute Authorization</u> information—UPDATED courses!! Online and convenient!

Applicants should email resume and letter of interest to Mrs. Katie Selden, Principal (katie.selden@lourdes.pvt.k12.ia.us)

# **Parish Bulletins**

Our Lady of Lourdes and St. John Vianney

# **Assumption Sports and Activities**

- Weekly update from Assumption High School
- Rising Knights: I was reaching out about the Rising Knights Wrestling Club sign ups for this upcoming season. Our Registration Nights will be held at Assumption High School October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>

# **School Calendar**

• School Calendar 24-25

Construction update for St. Joan of Arc Catholic School

