



October 29, 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,

I hope you enjoyed a relaxing long weekend. The warm weather and fall colors are a wonderful combination!

We begin the 2nd Quarter today. Please note that Report Cards will be sent home on Wednesday. We will gather twice this week for All School Mass, including a special Holy Day celebration on Friday. Halloween festivities are set for Thursday, complete with our traditional parade and classroom parties. We also invite you to join us for a Parent Social—please find details below. Another tradition at Lourdes is our 3rd grade Saints Presentation on Friday. Please join us at mass to see our 3rd graders present their chosen saint.

We are working hard to make sure the school calendar is up-to-date and accurate. I always place a link to the calendar at the bottom of this weekly note. Please refer to the calendar when you have questions about events. If you notice an error, please contact the front office.

Today's note includes information that a group of parents have put together in an effort to fundraise for the new school. I have attached the flier to this note. I am grateful for the efforts of our wonderful school community and supporting the enormous project.

Thank you for your ongoing dedication to Catholic education and for being an integral part of the Lourdes Catholic School community. May the prayers of Saint Bernadette and Saint Joan of Arc guide and bless us all.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Katie Selden

Principal

Halloween



The tradition continues with a new part—just for the parents! Please join us on Thursday for a Parent Social in the gym during the Halloween parties. Thank you to Home and School for throwing a parent party!

1:50 Parents may start to arrive for the Parade in the Gym (please enter through the front office doors)

2:00 Halloween Parade in the Gym

2:30 Halloween Parties and (new this year!) a [Parent Social](#) while the kids have their fun!

What to wear on Halloween: It is a NUT Day (details below).

K-5 students: Pack your costume (no makeup or scary masks or props) to change into before the Halloween Parade. NUT Day [guidelines](#) for out of uniform

Preschool: Will parade around the Giving Tree area for the parents so you can see all of the fun costumes. Please have children wear their costumes to school. Make sure that they are able to be independent with the costume when using the bathroom. No makeup, masks or scary costumes.

- Mrs. Gustafson's PreK AM Class and Mrs. Robinson's 2-Day Preschool Class Halloween Parade: 11:15 AM (please enter LCS parking lot via Brown St. and exit via Brown St.)
- Mrs. Gustafson's PreK PM Class and Mrs. Robinson's PreK PM Class Halloween Parade: 3:00 PM (please enter LCS parking lot via Mississippi Blvd / please park facing south and exit via Brown St.) We will also be participating in the 2:00 all school parade in the gym
- Mrs. Robinson's 3-Day Preschool Class (Wed, Oct. 30) costume parade at the Giving Tree @11:15

Middle School: No costumes. Will attend the parade to see the younger children in their costumes. NUT Day [guidelines](#) for out of uniform.

NUT Day

This Thursday, October 31 is Halloween and our 1st N.U.T. Day. A NUT Day is a "No Uniform Today" day. We still have [Guidelines](#). Please refer to the guidelines as you choose clothing on Halloween.

Lunch this Friday, November 1

Cinnamon pancakes

Hash browns

Dragon Punch/Veggie Juice

Applesauce

School and Church Fall Clean-up and Middle Service Hour Opportunity!



Sunday November 3rd, 12pm-5pm: Bring your rakes, shovels, and anything else you use for yard work!

Mark your calendars: Trivia Night!

When: November 15th doors open 6pm trivia starts 6:30

Where: PAC

Food/Drink: Bring Your Own or order ahead with registration link

Price: \$80 per table or \$10 per person

Register: [Click Here](#)

Lourdes Home & School presents

Trivia Night

Friday, November 15th
Doors Open at 6 pm
Trivia Starts at 6:30 pm
Lourdes Catholic School Gym

Adult Fundraiser
Teams of 8 people per table

\$80 per table
(or \$10 per person to join
an open table)
\$10 for 10 mulligans and
\$10 for the doubler



Bring your own food
and drinks, or make life
easy and order Papa
John's Pizza ahead
when you register
online at
onecau.se/_6vqst1

Bring cash or check to
get in on a 50/50 raffle!

Questions? juliemrosales@gmail.com

Donuts with Dads

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 <https://www.raiseright.com/enroll> to get started. Use enrollment code **B35FE9FB1543** when signing up.

[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](#) to download the Box Tops app.


[St. Ambrose Honor Band](#)



Bronwyn and Elena were selected to attend St. Ambrose Honor Band last week. We're proud of their hard work!

[Commemorative Brick Program for St. Joan of Arc Catholic School](#)

YOUR BRICK THEIR FUTURE



**CREATE A PERMANENT
MEMORY AT OUR NEW SCHOOL**

Leave a lasting legacy by purchasing a custom brick that will line the sidewalks of our brand-new school. This is your chance to honor a loved one, commemorate your family, celebrate a graduating student, or show your support as a business, group, alumni, or class. **Your brick will become part of our school's history and help us pave the way for future generations.**

Brick Options
Choose the size that's right for you!
Note: Bricks are tax-deductible!

<p>4" x 8"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 lines of text • 18 characters/line • Cost: \$500 	<p>8" x 8"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 lines of text • 18 characters/line • Cost: \$1,000 	<p>8" x 8"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Logo • Cost: \$2,000
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More info
https://onecau.se/_6uq3d1

Email
homeandschool@lourdes.pvt.k12.ia.us

[OLOL Outreach Thanksgiving Mean Basket Drive 2024](#)

Once again the Outreach Committee will be providing hungry families in our community with a basket full of nutritious meals this Thanksgiving. Please use this link to [signup](#) to make a food donation. Food may be left in the Gathering Space before or after Masses beginning November 2nd, or 7a.m. to 3 p.m. daily. **All food is needed by Tuesday, November 12th for sorting and distribution.** Monetary donations are always welcomed—please place in the ‘Neighbors in Need’ box in the Gathering Space any time. There is also the opportunity to help sponsor a meal basket for one family: Use the link above to make a donation. Scrip will be purchased and the shopping will be done for you—this also benefits Lourdes Catholic School! Questions? Please call Angie Joers (563-505-5629) or Kelly Rashid (563-340-5619). Thank you for your generosity!

[Angel Tree](#)

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." Thank you for your generosity and support!

Spiritwear and Uniform Sales

If you need winter gear for school- please order now! Stores close on Sunday, November 3rd. Orders will be back to school by Tuesday, November 26th.

[Spiritwear](#)
[Uniform](#)

Library Volunteers

[October 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. 6, 20; Dec. 11; Jan. 8, 22; Feb. 5, 10; March 12, 26; April 9

Notes from Mrs. Freemyer

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

Birthdays this week

Happy Birthday this week to Cooper (gr. 7), Frederick (preK), Brenna (gr. 6), Reid (K)

Assumption Sports and Activities

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

School Calendar

- [School Calendar 24-25](#)

Parish Bulletins

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

[Construction update for St. Joan of Arc Catholic School](#)

