

#### January 13, 2025

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,

The Christmas Season officially ended yesterday and now we return to Ordinary Time in our Liturgical Year. I wonder if there are others like me who still have some Christmas decorations at home to put away? This end of this week marks the halfway point for our school year. So it is fitting that we look ahead to the next school year with launching registration 9 days from today for our existing school families—all of you. Details regarding registration will be shared later this week. We also have our monthly Home and School meeting this evening and the School Advisory Board of Ed meeting Tuesday evening. Please feel free to join as meetings are open to all Lourdes parents.

This Friday (January 17) the K-8 students will dismiss at 1:30. This early dismissal is to allow extra time for working on 2nd Quarter Report Cards. This early dismissal leads into a long weekend as there is no school Monday, January 20. Please see the school calendars for the <u>PreK, 2-Day Preschool, 3-Day Preschool</u>, or <u>K-8</u> programs as there are several changes to our normal schedule coming up.

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 as we settle into 2025 and look towards this exciting year.

Sincerely, *Mrs. Katie Selden* Principal

#### **ESA Parents: Please read**

Tuition amounts for the second semester have been uploaded to Odyssey. Please log in to your account and approve the tuition. It should only take a few minutes. Then the State of Iowa will

be able to pay Scott County Catholic Schools (SCCS) for your students' tuition. <u>This needs to</u> <u>be done by January 31, 2025</u>. So, do this important step as soon as you are able. If you have any questions, please call the SCCS Business Office office at (563) 326-5313 and they will be happy to help.

#### **Drop-off Procedures**

With the addition of all of the winter clothing, we have noticed a slow down in our drop off procedures in the mornings. While you are waiting in the drop off line, please use the time to have your children put on their coats, hats, gloves, and backpacks, so they are ready to exit the car when you pull up to the designated drop off spot. A great idea shared by a parent was to unbuckle as soon as you turn into the parking lot. That allows a minute or so to have the children put on all of their winter gear so they are ready to go. Thank you for your help in keeping our drop off procedures running smoothly.

#### Fruit of the Spirit: Patience

The following students were nominated for showing the Fruit of Patience during December: Riley T, Allyannah A, Ronin S, Quinn C, Axel H, Lucas L, Natalie K, Adalynn L, Ari H, Jack S, Cameron T, Madalyn M, Ethan W, Benjamin M, Grey S, Addy P, Will W, Adaira H, Henry G, Avery C, Gunnar W, Harlan C, Elijah S, Rhylee C, John C, Annie R, Will G, Nathan S, Harrison S, Sophia W, Lucia H, Cooper J, Oscar R, Joseph C, Tate P, Molly R, Jack C, Millie G The following teachers were nominated during the month of December for showing the fruit of patience: Mrs. Johnson



# Starry Night! 47 days from today!

Join us for an unforgettable evening at **Starry Night 2025** — a night of fun, fellowship, and fundraising to support Lourdes Catholic School! \*Your presence will make a meaningful difference as we raise money for essential school needs, enhancing our children's learning experiences and providing additional resources for teachers and staff to elevate Catholic education.

# Event Details:

- Date: March 1st, 2025
- Suggested Dress Code: Cocktail Attire
- Location: At the Stardust 218 Iowa St. Davenport

Your generous contributions will help meet these critical needs:

- St. Joan of Arc T-shirts for every student (for Field Day and Spiritwear Days)
- New Middle School sports jerseys and cheerleading uniforms
- Tables and Chairs for school-wide events at St. Joan of Arc

- Replenishing the Field Trip Fund
- Supporting the arts (annual play and music department)
- High-quality soccer goals for the new school
- Home & School hosted events and annual budget

Reserve your tickets and even book a room at the Blackhawk Hotel today by visiting <u>https://onecau.se/starry2025</u>. Don't miss out on this opportunity to make a lasting impact and have a lot of fun with fellow Lourdes Catholic School supporters! Let's come together to support Lourdes Catholic School and continue the tradition of excellence in Faith and Academics. Your donation will help make it all possible!

line see you at Starry Night 2025!

Starry Night Auction Items Interested in donating auction items for the Starry Night annual fundraiser? To help make the fundraiser a success, we are on the lookout for auction items such as gift cards or an experience (tickets to an event, lessons for an activity, etc).

These items are always popular

Drop off items at the front office or contact LcsStarryNight@gmail.com. Items are needed by February 18th (preferably sooner to list on the auction site).

# Many THANKS for your help!

Starry Night Raffle Ticket Sales

If you would like to help sell Starry Night raffle tickets after the Masses at OLOL and SJV, please sign-up.

**Career Fair** 

The Annual <u>Career Fair</u> is scheduled for Friday, March 7. Please consider participating to help our students.

### Library Volunteers

January Sign-Up is ready! Happy Reading! ~Mrs. Emerle: erindunn78@gmail.com

#### Middle School Youth Group (MSYG)

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

#### Band and Choir

Band and lessons will continue with the usual schedule during the school day while Mrs. Freemyer is on leave. Choir is on hold until Mrs. Freemyer returns.

Family BINGO Night



This event is free of charge and open to all Lourdes families.

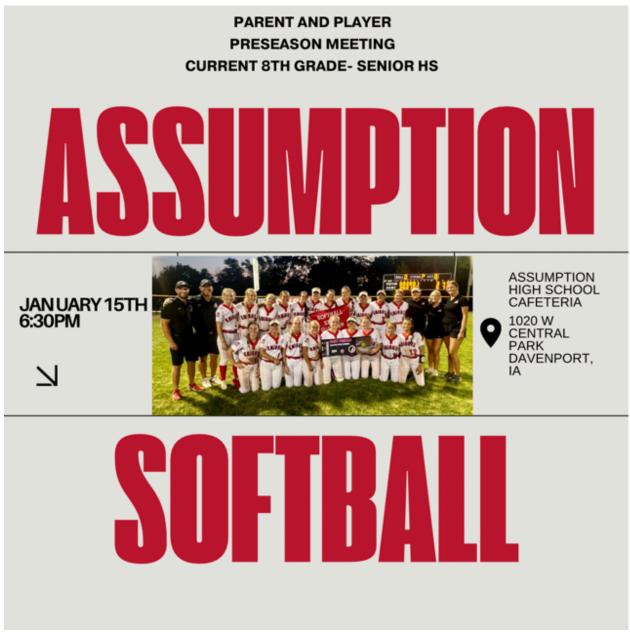
SJV Preschool Trivia Night

# FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST, 2025 DOORS OPEN AT 6PM - TRIVIA STARTS AT 7PM ST. JOHN VIANNEY PARISH ACTIVITY CENTER

ST. JOHN VIANNEY PRESCHOOL'S

\$100 per table of 8 | \$15 per seat Includes mulligans and a doubler. Bring your own snacks and drinks! Sign up in the SJV Parish or Preschool Office, or online by using the QR code. Please pay by cash or check payable to St. John Vianney, memo SJVP Trivia Night.

Assumption High School Softball



Please see the attached notes about the Cheerleading Clinic and the Dance Clinic

#### Birthdays this week

Happy Birthday this week to Ms. Torres in the library, Ms. Huiskamp in the the front office, Mrs. Brown in 1st grade, Palmer (gr. 1), Konnor (gr. 1), Isabelle (gr. 2), Grace (gr.5), Aurora (gr 4), Sean (gr.8), Elowen (gr. 2).

<u>Weekly update</u> from Assumption High School

#### **School Calendar**

• <u>School Calendar 24-25</u> (Please note the holidays and professional development days coming up in January and February)

# **Parish Information**

- Our Lady of Lourdes
- <u>St. John Vianney</u>
  <u>St. Joan of Arc Foundation</u>