

February 18, 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 Families,

Good morning and happy Tuesday!

We're excited to kick off another great week. This evening at 5:00pm, we will host our **Kindergarten Round-Up**, rescheduled from last week due to the snowstorm. Our **Preschool Round-Up** last week had a fantastic turnout—it's wonderful to see our school community continue to grow!

Student registration is in full swing, and our front office team is working hard to get everyone enrolled. Some grade levels are already nearing capacity, so we encourage families to register as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

In this week's update, you'll find important details about Starry Night—now less than two weeks away—along with a reminder about dress code expectations, particularly regarding nails and jewelry. Additionally, we've introduced a Social Emotional Learning pilot program for Kindergarten and 1st grade. Be sure to read below for more details!

Thank you for choosing Lourdes Catholic School and St. Joan of Arc Catholic School. May the prayers of Saint Bernadette and Saint Joan of Arc continue to guide us.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Katie Selden

Principal

Registration for '25-'26

Registration for the '25-'26 school year at St. Joan of Arc Catholic School is underway for our current families. Information was sent to you via email January 22. The deadline for preferred re-enrollment of current preschool-7 students who are going into grades preschool-8 is February 21. After this date, current families are not guaranteed a spot for next school year. **Completion**

of online registration plus payment of the \$150 registration fee are required to secure a spot. If you are not returning to Lourdes/St. Joan of Arc Catholic School, please notify Mrs. Wermes (katherine.wermes@lourdes.pvt.k12.ia.us).

Dress Code REMINDERS

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Please be reminded that gel manicures and artificial nails are not allowed according to our Dress Code. Also, there are guidelines for necklaces and earrings. Thank you for supporting our efforts to minimize distraction by enforcing the Dress Code.

Camp Shalom

REGISTRATION FOR CAMP SHALOM OPEN NOW!

In this world filled with technology and distraction, it is so important for your children to have time and space to play, laugh, and worship away from the noise. Camp Shalom is a perfect place for spending time in a place apart! Camp Shalom is a non-denominational Christian camp nestled in the woods near Maquoketa. This amazing camp is sure to provide your child with wonderful memories of fun and games, as well as wonderful experiences filled with Christ's love. Camp Shalom also fosters independence, and kids come away feeling more assured of themselves and of their relationships with others, as well as with God! The campgrounds include woodland trails, high and low ropes challenge courses, an archery range, canoeing, a soccer field, campfire circles, and more. The staff are committed Christians who seek to serve and nurture faith in others. Certified in first aid and CPR, the staff complete an intensive 2-week training program to prepare themselves to work with campers. If your child has gone to camp, you know how awesome the staff is!

New this year:

The Adventure Program! Campers will have more flexibility in their day as they will be able to choose nature, crafts, sports, or "launch" activities, separate from their cabin choices. Campers will meet more friends, build skills, and explore what they love!

Camp Shalom is a gift that your children will appreciate for years to come. It can be life changing! Summer Camp Registration now open online. Registration can be found by visiting the Camp Shalom website: campshalom@gmail.com Questions? Email-

P.S. Camp Shalom is also in need of summer staff for this summer! Young adults who have finished their sophomore year in high school can apply to volunteer as assistant counselors. Young adults who have finished their junior year in high school can apply to be on staff! Working at Camp Shalom is hard, but so rewarding. Most staff members return year after year, and create lifelong friendships. If someone you know may be interested, they can apply at campshalomia.org.

Starry Night! 12 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 https://onecau.se/starry2025. 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!

Starry Night Auction Items

Interested in donating auction items for the Starry Night 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 our contact LcsTarryNight@gmail.com Items are needed by February 18 (preferable sooner to list on the auction site). Many thanks!

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.

Starry Night Sponsors needed!

Thank you so much for your support of Lourdes Starry Night, the primary fundraiser for Lourdes Catholic School. We are so excited for all the new adventures 2025 will bring and look forward to moving into our new school, St Joan of Arc Catholic School. Moving into a new space is certain to bring new needs so we are hopeful you will continue your support!

Attached is information regarding this year's event, which will be held on Saturday, March 1st in downtown Davenport, At The Stardust. We hope you join us for food, fun and fellowship and consider supporting the event financially once again. For more information, visit our event website at: https://onecau.se/85ane1

Your support makes a world of difference in enhancing our children's experiences and expanding learning opportunities at our Catholic school!

We truly appreciate your consideration,

Jennifer Foley & Betsy Flaherty Lourdes Starry Night Co-Chairs

Lent Fish Fry!

Mark your calendars!

Dinner 1: **SJV** March 7 4pm-7pm Dinner 2: **OLOL** April 4 4pm -7pm

The menu includes baked fish, shrimp tacos, fish tacos, grilled cheese and all the sides.

Don't forget the desserts made by our parishioners!

Zones of Regulation

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January 28th, our Kindergarten and 1st grade students and teachers began participating in the Zones of Regulation program pilot for our school! The program will be presented by Ms. Michaela Pieroni, an OT Capstone student from St. Ambrose University. She will be assisted by our school counselor during their guidance time on Tuesdays. Read more about the Zones of Regulation here.

Yearbooks

YEARBOOK PRE SALE IS HERE

Don't miss out on getting your 2024-2025 LCS <u>yearbook!</u> The price will increase after February 28th, so ORDER NOW!

YEARBOOK PHOTOS NEEDED

The yearbook committee is looking for any and all photos for the yearbook! Class parties and events, sports pictures (team photos and action shots), all other clubs and activities too! Please email photos by March 1st to leigh.johnson@lourdes.pvt.k12.ia.us put grade level and or activity in the title of the email. Thank you!

Career Fair

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

OLOL Outreach Meal Basket Drive DONATIONS NEEDED

Once again the Our Lady of Lourdes Outreach Committee is providing hungry families in our community with a basket full of nutritious meals. Help is needed with food donations, packing, and delivering the baskets. Please use this link to sign up to help in any way: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054FA4AD28A1F85-54772267-2025

Food may be left in the Gathering Space beginning Saturday, February 8th. **All food is needed** by 8 a.m. Saturday, February 22nd for sorting and delivery.

If you prefer, drop off a check (please write "Outreach" in the memo) in the Parish Office. Scrip will be purchased and the shopping will be done for you—this also benefits Lourdes Catholic School! Another option is to purchase Scrip after Mass and place the gift cards in the 'Neighbors in Need' box in the Gathering Space. Questions? Please call Angie Joers (563-505-5629) or Kelly Rashid (563-340-5619). Thank you for your generosity!

Iowa Catholic Youth Conference (ICYC)

See the attached note! Sunday, March 30 and all students grades 6, 7, 8 are invited!

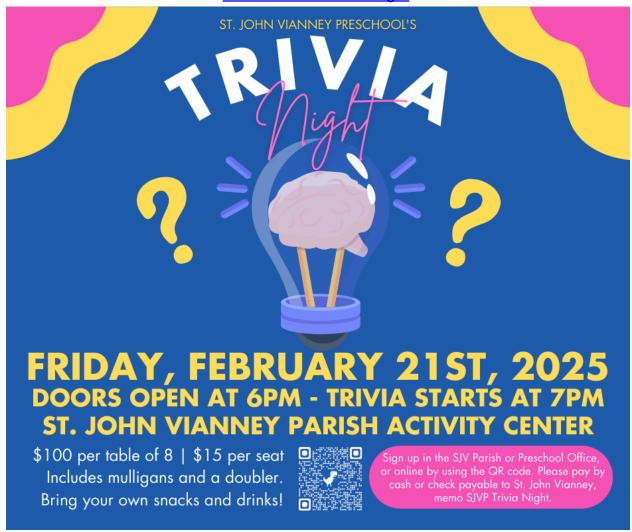
Library Volunteers

February 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:March 12, 26; April 9

SJV Preschool Trivia Night



Birthdays this week

Happy Birthday this week to Jane (1st grade), Matt (5th grade), Cameron (6th grade), Colin (4th grade), Michael (3rd grade), Kaia (5th grade)

• Weekly update from Assumption High School

School Calendar

• School Calendar 24-25

Parish Information

- Our Lady of Lourdes
- St. John Vianney

• St. Joan of Arc Foundation