

April 28, 2025

Dear Lourdes Families,

What a beautiful weekend! I hope your family enjoyed the fresh air and sunshine. This week we will continue ISASP testing for students in grades 3-8. The 2nd graders will receive First Holy Communion and those interested in participating in the Variety Show will try out after school on Wednesday. It will be another busy, productive and special week as we countdown the days we have left in these hallways.

May the prayers of Saint Bernadette and Saint Joan of Arc continue to guide and bless us on this journey.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Katie Selden
Principal

[Variety Show](#)

The Variety Show will be Thursday, May 15th with a performance at 1:15 and 6pm. K-8 students interested in participating in the School Variety Show should plan to attend Tryouts after school on Wednesday, April 30th at 2:35.

[Backpacks with Snacks](#)

This year the 2nd grade classes will spend some time learning about serving others in our community by filling backpacks with snacks. This is a ministry of the Our Lady of Lourdes Church that provides nearly 40 students throughout Bettendorf who are in need with a backpack full of snacks each month during the school year. Please help us by bringing in snack items to school for this week.

[Pennies for Peru](#)

Our sister chapel in Arequipa is so grateful for all donations to the "Pennies For Peru" collection. The parishioners at Our Lady of Reconciliation in Arequipa will be using the funds to make food baskets to provide for people in their community. It is so beautiful that our brothers and sisters there - in their own poverty - are providing outreach to those in even greater need. Let us

continue to support them through our prayers as they are often praying for us. God bless you for your generosity.

8th Grade Pilgrimage

Please join us! Sign-up [here](#)

Job Postings for 25-26 School Year

Preschool (PreK) Classroom Teacher: Must have Iowa certification 100 (PK-3 Teacher, Regular Education/Special Education) or PK-3 Teacher or Iowa certification 106 (PK-3)

Starry Night Items

AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE!

There's still time to catch a few great deals through the Starry Night OneCause Website!

Please visit: <https://onecau.se/starry2025> where you can find amazing, fixed price items with newly reduced prices. Whether you're looking for a special First Communion Tea Party, fantastic gift cards, unique St. Joan of Arc merchandise or Lourdes memorabilia, you don't want to miss out. Thanks for your support!

Mornings with Mom

Mark your calendars! Mornings with Mom is Friday, May 9th. See the attached flyer for more information on how to best kick-off Mother's Day Weekend!

NCYC Fundraiser!



We're raising dough!

NCYC FUNDRAISER FOR OUR LADY OF LOURDES

**May 8, 2025
4:00 pm to 8:00 pm
3410 Elmore Avenue, Davenport, IA**

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[Transportation Reimbursement](#)

[K-8 grade](#)

[DUE THIS WEEK!](#)

If your family lives within an Iowa school district's boundaries, you are eligible for transportation reimbursement. If you live over 2 miles from Lourdes in the Bettendorf School District you are eligible through BCSD. [Bettendorf \(BCSD\)](#), [Pleasant Valley \(PV\)](#), [Davenport \(DCSD\)](#), and [North Scott](#) forms are provided at each of the links above. You may print the form out for the school district within whose boundaries you live, and send it in to the address at the bottom of your form as soon as you can. You can also email a copy to the appropriate school district. The contact information can be found at the bottom of each form. May 1 is the hard deadline for the second semester. Please do not mail or send your form to Lourdes. Forms must be sent directly to the appropriate school district.

[SJA Foundation Update](#)

[Our Catholic Identity - St. Joan of Arc Foundation - Bettendorf, IA](#)

UPDATE FROM THE ST. JOAN OF ARC FOUNDATION

Catholic Identity For St. Joan of Arc School

View several beautiful pieces
chosen for the school

Select an item that is meaningful
for you and your family

Honor / Memorialize a loved one

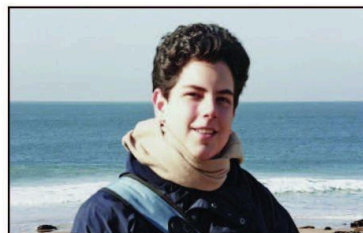
Make a donation to purchase
sacred items for the chapel & school

View at sjafdn.org under How to Give

When Lent Sticks, Faith Endures

Lent isn't just a season we go through—it's a season that goes through us. The ashes, the prayers, the sacrifices—they stay with us, sometimes in ways we don't even realize.

Lenten traditions shape us, form us, and call us back—even years later. And that's the beauty of growing up with these practices. They're not just about forty days; they're about a lifetime of remembering, returning, and renewing our faith.



"As Blessed Carlo Acutis said, the Eucharist is the highway to heaven," the pope wrote in his message for diocesan World Youth Days published on 9/17/2024



BL. CARLO ACUTIS
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Carlo Acutis statue for St. Joan of Arc Catholic School.
Canonization April 27, 2025



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Registration for St. Joan of Arc School is Underway!



After registering for next school year, please complete the Financial Responsibility form using this QR-code.



Donate today



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This Easter, let your almsgiving leave a lasting legacy.
Help us lay the foundation for Catholic education.

[ESA Information for '25-'26 School year](#)

Mark your calendars for April 16! That is when you may initiate the process for the '25-'26 school year ESA. Details are [here](#). Please choose "Lourdes Catholic School" as our new school is not yet included on the website. That will change with the summertime updates.

[Lourdes Volleyball and Basketball Jerseys](#)

Starting today we are offering gently used Lourdes basketball and volleyball jerseys for a donation of \$1 each. Thanks to the generosity of our Home and School and the funds raised at Starry Night, we are able to purchase brand new jerseys for St. Joan of Arc teams next year. Pictures are below and we have 4 big bins full of jerseys, so please help yourself! Come to the school office to choose 1—or more—jerseys! We also have many matching shorts and those are free.











[Honoring Pope Francis](#)



The children prayed for Pope Francis all week and decorated the space around his picture with colorful paper flowers. We will continue to pray for him this week, and Wednesday's Mass will be a special celebration in his honor. Hope to see you there!

[Scholarship for Parish Fee](#)

The Melissa Steinke Scholarship program is accepting applications for the 2025 - '26 St. Joan of Arc school year through April 30, 2025. Please apply at sjafdn.org, under the Parents/Families tab. Thank you!

[Library Volunteers](#)

[April Sign-Up](#). Happy Reading! ~Mrs. Emerle: erindunn78@gmail.com

[Birthdays this week](#)

Happy Birthday last week (sorry I missed these special birthdays!): Kendall (gr. 5), Eli (gr. 4), Logan (gr. 5), Sophia (gr. 6), Ava (gr. 2).

Happy Birthday this week to: Asher (preschool), Annie (gr. 5), Allison (gr. 6), Liam (gr. 1), Trystan (gr. 1), Gracelyn (gr. 1), Soren (gr. 1), Tate (preschool), Cameron (gr. 1)

- [Weekly update](#) from **Assumption High School**
- Please see the attached flier for information about the Futures Football Camp

[School Calendar](#)

- [School Calendar 24-25](#)

[Parish Information](#)

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

- [St. Joan of Arc Foundation](#)