

February 6, 2009

**Dates to Remember:**

- Feb 9 - Flower Sales Order Forms due back
- Feb 9 - Chat'n'Chew 2nd grade
- Feb 9 - PTO Meeting 6:30
- Feb 10 - Can Day
- Feb 10 - Choir & Band to Bishop Miege
- Feb 10 - SPX 2nd grade 1st Communion meeting
- Feb 11 - Enrichment classes for 4th & 5th grades
- Feb 11 - Papa John's Pizza Night
- Feb 12 - All School Mass at 8:15
- Feb 12 - 5th grade to Starbase
- Feb 12 - Preschool Valentine's Party 9-11 (change in date!)
- Feb 12 - Valentine Parties K-7 2:30
- Feb 12 - Bowling for 8th grade
- Feb 12 - Chess Club meets at 3:15
- Feb 13 - Parent Teacher Conferences **No School** Kinder-8
- Feb 16 - Teacher in-service day **No School** Preschool thru 8th
- Feb 17 - Presentation by MOCSA for 5th-8th grades
- Feb 17 - Confirmation Mtgs 8th gr SPX & 7th & 8th gr QHR
- Feb 18 - Enrichment Classes for 3rd & 5th grades
- Feb 19 - 5th grade to Starbase
- Feb 23 - Chat'n'Chew 1st grade
- Feb 24 - 8th grade Bake Sale at lunch time
- Feb 24 - Spirit Day for all who sold \$150 in flowers!
- Feb 25 - Ash Wednesday. All School Mass 8:15 a.m. with 8th grade parents breakfast/graduation mtg afterwards.

**Mass Schedule**

- Thursday Feb 12 Fr. Cullen has the Mass, the 3rd grade plans
- Friday, Feb 20 Fr. Ken has Mass and 2nd grade plans
- Ash Wed, Feb 25 Fr Cullen has Mass & 8th grade plans with the parents of 8th graders invited to breakfast afterwards.



**Spelling Bee Success**

Congratulations to all the JPPII representatives in the Regional Spelling Bee at Bishop Miege. Catherine Strayhall and Bridget Hannon both did a great job!

What an experience for them. Congratulations to them both.

**Preschool Date Changed**

Please note that the Valentine Party for all the preschoolers has been changed to Thursday, February 12th. Please mark your calendars!

**Calendar Changes!**

- We have changed some dates—please note:
- March 6 - 8th grade vs faculty Volleyball Game
- May 1 - May Crowning will be immediately after Mass
- May 1 - **FIELD DAY!**
- May 7 - Safety Patrol goes to Day at the K

The calendar on our website has all the new information!

**Parent Teacher Conferences**

Teachers have sent home requests for conferences for each student they feel needed one. If you received a notice please return it to school as soon as possible. However, if you did not receive a request but feel a conference would help your child you may request one. Please call the office by Tuesday, Feb 10 to schedule a time for the conference.

# PTO NEWS

**PTO Meeting!**

Our 3rd PTO meeting of the year will be on Monday, February 9th at JPPII cafeteria starting at 6:30 p.m. Dinner will be served starting at 6p.m. so you can come feed the kids and meet others. There is no charge for dinner or for babysitting!

**Chat'n'Chew Club**

We have had overwhelming response to students participating in Chat'n'chew. Yeah! Through trial and error we are working out the kinks. The students read the teacher chosen book at home. Then on the set day the students participate in small group discussions. They "chat" while they "chew" their food during their lunch period at school. We will either have an inside picnic or outside one weather permitting. The volunteer parents will ask the students questions about the book and either do an activity or have a snack related to the book. Students are checking out books through their teachers, so there are no out of pocket expenses. Some grades have a waiting list for the books. If you are one that has a book, please finish it as soon as possible and return it to school so another student can have a turn. If you are one waiting for a book, thank you for your patience. Most of the books can also be found in the public library if needed sooner. Students can either bring a cold lunch or order hot lunch as usual. The students must have read the book to participate. This is a reading enrichment program and is open to all students in 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades.

2nd grade meets Monday, Feb 9th

1st grade meets Monday, Feb 23rd (note the date change!)

Questions? e-mail Jill Molina at sonic1us@yahoo.com

**Fish Fry**

PTO is having a Fish Fry on Friday March 27 at SPX and a Potato/Cheese Pizza Dinner on Friday, April 3 at QHR. We are looking for volunteers to help have fun at the events. Please call Laura at 362-5322 or e-mail Jill at sonic1us@yahoo.com

### 7th & 8th grade MIXER

Friday, February 13th at St. Agnes. 7:30-10p.m. \$5.00 a person. If you have not attended a mixer this year you will need a permission slip.

### Can Day

Next Tuesday is again Can Day. Mr. Reynolds will be here before school starts to collect any aluminum cans you have saved. Last month we collected **\$84.50** which brought our annual profit to **\$728.51** That's a lot of money from something as simple as not throwing away pop cans! Thanks for your help.

### CEF collection

The STUCO sponsored a Mis-Match Day during Catholic Schools Week. Students donated \$211.00 and the collection at the all school Mass on Friday totaled \$748.15. The total amount of \$959.15 will be donated to the Catholic Education Foundation as we continue to serve others at John Paul II. Thank you all for your generosity.

### CYO Basketball Team Pictures

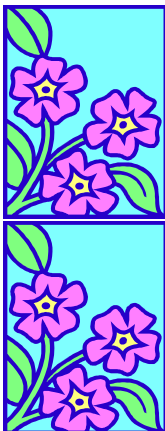
Pictures will be taken on the evening of Sunday, February 8. Coaches will have the order forms. Please have your child ready at the assigned time and you will be done quickly. Team pictures will be used for the school yearbook, so try to get there! Assigned team picture times:

- 7:15 2nd grade boys
- 7:20 3rd grade girls
- 7:25 3rd grade boys
- 7:30 4th grade girls
- 7:35 4th grade boys
- 7:40 5th grade girls
- 7:45 5th grade boys
- 7:50 5/6 grade girls
- 7:55 6/7 grade girls
- 8:00 6th grade boys
- 8:05 7th grade girls
- 8:10 7th grade boys
- 8:15 8th grade girls
- 8:20 8th grade boys



### Eagle Scouts Completes Work

Have you seen the framed pictures in the cafeteria? They show our history! Previous graduation class pictures are posted. Do you have a picture of a class that is missing from the wall? Get us the picture and we'll copy it to add it to the wall! A Big THANK YOU to Brian Wieliczka and Jared Arnote for all the hard work putting these together!

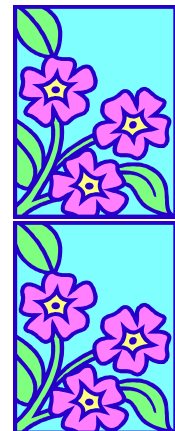


### The Annual Flower Sale!

JPII's annual Flower Sale has begun! This is a major fundraiser for JPII and works to keep tuition down! Please ask neighbors, and friends to order flowers from us.

Order forms are now due to the school. Flowers will be delivered on May 1st.

**Remember! February 24th is a SPIRIT DAY for all students from families that sell \$150 in flowers!**



### New Series of Retreats

The Archdiocese is offering a new series of retreats called "Venite et Videte" (Come and See) for young men. They are for young men grades 6-8, 9-12 and ages 18 and up. There are three retreats scheduled for the remainder of the school year. They are just 24 hours, and incorporate Catholic prayer traditions, meditations, recreation, and relaxed discussions. The goal is to get young

men more aware of what God may be calling them to do with their lives. The retreat fee is just \$25 and includes all meals and over-night lodging.

Interested students can go on our website [kekvacations.com](http://kekvacations.com) for a schedule and to register.

### Valentines Parties

Students will have parties in their classrooms. Room parents will be in contact with teachers regarding these. Students should refer to the Student/Parent Handbook regarding bringing valentines for their friends. If students want to bring cards, the cards need to be brought for ALL students in the class and students should NOT bring extra treats that day. The party will have enough goodies for all the students. This becomes a sensitive issue and feelings are easily hurt. Thank you for your cooperation.



### Mathletics

4 teams of students attended the Mathletics Competition at St. Agnes on Thursday. They were:

- 4th grade: Abby Molina, Natalie Kidder, Elizabeth Tice
- 5th grade: Gretchen Burchstead, Charlie Kaifes, Buddy Sayles
- 6th grade: Nick Corkill, Alex Perez, Maxie Dennis
- 7th grade: Caitlyn Sutherland, Jordan Setzkorn, Alex Rowe

Congratulations to you all for a great job done! We're proud to send you as our JPII representatives!

### Secret Pals

Just a friendly reminder that Valentine's Day and Conferences are coming up. Please remember your secret pal!!! Thank You

### 8th grade Graduation Meeting

All parents of 8th graders are encouraged to attend the graduation meeting on Sunday, February 8th at 6:30p.m. in cafeteria.

### Cafeteria Fees

The cafeteria has begun sending statements for money due over the e-mail system. The notices will come from [ndenzer@archkcks.org](mailto:ndenzer@archkcks.org) Please check your spam filters to allow those notices to get through to you! Thank you