

Saint Joseph Regional School **Our Lady of Mercy Academy**



November 14, 2025

Confident in the Truth that all people are made in the image and likeness of God, the mission of Saint Joseph Regional School is to provide an education based upon the Catholic Intellectual Tradition and to instill in students God's greatest commands: to love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind, and to love your neighbor as yourself.

Dear OLMA families,

It is hard to believe that it is already the middle of November! We have begun our parent-teacher conferences and I wanted to point out something that we tried this year. I sent out an optional and simple 2 question pre-conference survey. The intention of the survey was to allow parents to share their hopes for their children and also tell us what was most important for them to know or learn in their conference. Ten to fifteen minutes can be very short and we want to make sure we are tuned in to the things that matter most to you. We certainly want our students to be seen, known and loved but the same goes for our parents!

Our Home and School Association Meeting was postponed but has been rescheduled for this coming Monday, November 17th from 6-7pm in the Parish Hall at St. Bernard Church. Babysitting will be provided at SJRS for those who need it. At that meeting, I will start to share some of the internal structures and processes that we are looking at as a school and ways that we are simplifying and being more consistent as a team. I will also involve parents in the conversation about how our students gain independence and executive functioning skills as they go from one grade level to the next. What is the role of the student, the teacher, the parent at each stage? I'm looking forward to seeing many of you there!

In Christ,

Dr. Annie Pearson Interim Principal

VIRTUE OF THE **MONTH**

Gratitude Thankfulness

St. Francis of Assisi

The virtue of gratitude for Saint Francis of Assisi is a profound and active disposition that recognizes all good as a gift from God, leading to a deep appreciation for creation, humility, and selfless action. For Francis, gratitude was not just a feeling but a way of life that was expressed through

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday 11/16 -- Youth Group -- 4-6pm (see below) Monday 11/17 -- Home and School Association meeting -- 6-7pm -- St. Bernard's Parish Hall Wednesday 11/19 -- All-school Mass -- 9:15am Thursday 11/20 -- SJRS Open House (see below) Mon-Fri 11/17-11/21 -- Parent-Teacher Conferences

Friday 11/21 -- All-school Retreat

Friday 11/21 -- 50/50 Raffle drawing -- 3pm

Sunday 11/23 -- Youth Group -- 4-6pm (see below)

Monday 11/24 -- Visit from St. Paul's Advanced

Studies Program -- 11am

Wed-Fri 11/26-28 -- Thanksgiving Break -- NO SCHOOL

Mon-Fri 12/22-1/2 -- Christmas Break -- NO **SCHOOL**

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praising God, living simply, serving the poor, and finding joy in all of creation, which he considered a family.

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.

--1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Reminder: All orders for the week must be in by 12noon on Sundays.

CLICK HERE for the 2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR

ADMISSIONS OPEN HOUSES

In November we will be welcoming prospective new families as we host several Admissions Open Houses for the 2026-2027 school year. Please help us to spread the word to potential new families!



SJRS -- Thursday, November 20, 6:30-7:30pm

CLICK HERE to register for an Open House.





HONOR ROLL -- FIRST QUARTER

CONGRATULATIONS to all students who made the Honor Roll for the first quarter of the 2025-2026 school year! Unweighted grades are used for determining Honor Roll for each quarter report card.

FIRST HONORS

Average of 95% (A) or higher with no grade lower than 92% (A-).

Grade 9

Imogen Evans-Jones

Grade 12

Maddie Carlson Kyle Paolino Ethan Petschik Elio Saba



SECOND HONORS

Average of 92% (A-) or higher with no grade lower than 89% (B+).

Grade 9

Francesca Crisman

Grade 12

Liam Crisman



At our weekly Rosary and Adoration assembly last Friday, we focused on vocations as November is National Vocations Awareness Week. Special guests were invited to speak to the SJRS and OLMA students about their particular vocation and how to foster their own vocations. The guests representing priesthood ~ Fr. Alan, religious life ~ Sr. Mary Rose Reddy, DMML (Diocese of Manchester), and marriage ~ Brian and Natalia Pellicano (SJRS parents) all shared their experiences with the students.





COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND AMBASSADORSHIP

Our Family Engagement Committee is all about bringing people together and celebrating the gift of community. We believe that when families feel connected—to one another, to our school, and to the wider SJRS/OLMA community—our children thrive. The committee creates welcoming opportunities for parents, guardians, teachers, and students to get to know each other, share in meaningful experiences, and support one another along the way. Ways to get involved: Community Event Planning and School Ambassadorship.

CLICK HERE for more details about the new Family Engagement Committee and upcoming Community Events for this year.

For more information and to volunteer, please contact Allison Wyatt (awyatt@edgilitytalent.com)

STUDENT-ATHLETE NEWS

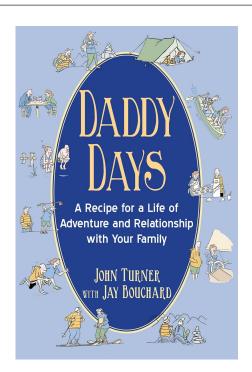
CONGRATULATIONS to our student-athletes who have been competing throughout this Fall!

Francesca Crisman -- KHS Girls Soccer Liam Crisman -- KHS Boys Golf Elizabeth Gornall -- KHS Girls Soccer

The winter sports season is getting underway now at the local public schools. For all of the details and contact information, please CLICK HERE for the OLMA website!

Yesterday in Mrs. Ramage's World History class, Ms. Estelle Michaud, who works at the Parish of the Holy Spirit, visited with the students in honor of Veterans Day. Ms. Michaud is a retired military veteran, having spent many years with the U.S. Navy. Mrs. Ramage is also a U.S. Air Force veteran.





Book signing event at Toadstool Bookstore! Sunday, November 23, 11am-12pm

This is a beautiful book which encourages adventure and relationship with your kids. As John Turner details through dozens of anecdotes in Daddy Days, the recipe for creating a healthy parent-child bond is not particularly complicated. Turner, a New Hampshire-based engineer, Christmas tree farmer, and indefatigable adventurer, offers his family's story about how one-on-one time shared between father and child--a concept he calls Daddy Days--has the power to transform family dynamics.

The author will donate \$10 to Parish of the Holy Spirit for each book sold at this event.

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