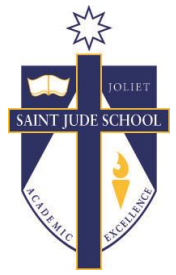




The St. Jude Flyer

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Letter from Lucas Stangler, Principal

St. Jude Family,

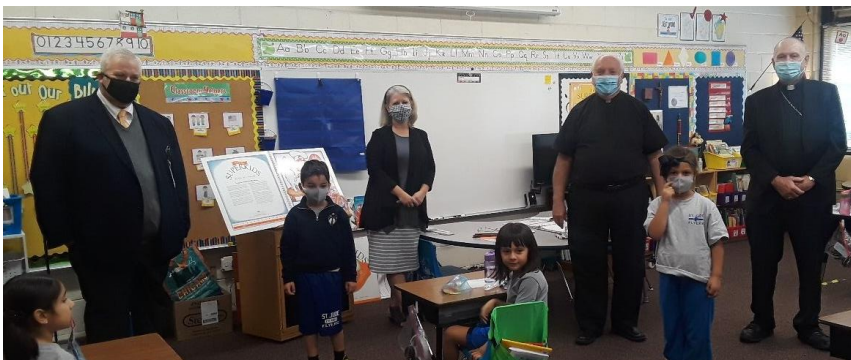
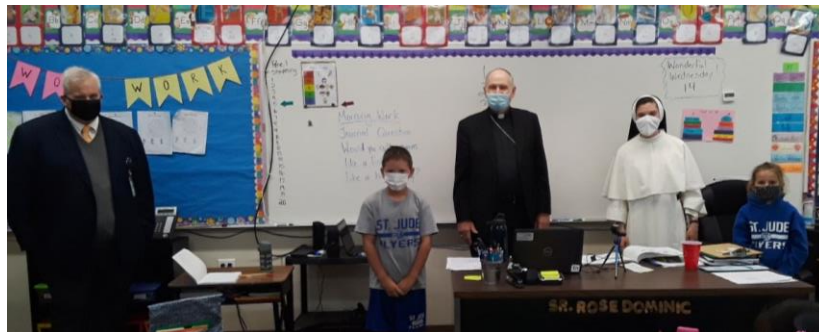
We were able to have our first school Mass this week on Wednesday. While it was in the gym instead of the church and students were sitting six feet away from each other wearing masks, it was still wonderful to celebrate the Eucharist together as a school family.

I am excited to announce that Mrs. Karen Hatfield will be teaching our PreK class this year. They all started on Tuesday this week, it has been wonderful to have our youngest students back in the building.

We will be administering the IOWA Assessments next week. It is essential to have support from home so that our students perform as well as possible on these assessments. Please read below for more details.

We were graced by the presence of Bishop Pates and Superintendent Dr. Michael Boyle on Thursday. They stopped by for a surprise visit and spent some time visiting with our students. They were very grateful for all of the work that has been put into this school year and happy to see our students in the building.

God Bless,
Lucas Stangler
Principal



ITBS & CogAT Testing: September 14 - 25

On Monday, September 14th, we will begin the IOWA test of Basic Skills (ITBS) in grades 3-8 and the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) in grades 3, 5, and 7. These tests will be given to the students in the morning starting at 8:00 AM and will usually be finished at 10:00AM. The schedule varies depending on the tests given each day. The majority of the students will be finished with testing by the end of next week and the students that need to make up tests finishing the week after.

How can you help your student? Please be sure your student is eating a healthy breakfast each day, arrives to school on time, and encourage them to do their best. We use these test scores to develop plans to meet your child's needs. Scores are reported to the diocese to show the academic progress of the school. They are a useful tool in assessing where students stand in relationship to their learning goals. Thank you in advance for all you will do to ensure your student's success on these assessments.

Parent Board ZOOM Meeting

All parents are invited to join us on Tuesday, September 22nd at 6:00pm via Zoom for our first parent Board meeting. An invite will be sent out via email at a later date.

UPDATED: Technology Form

In last week's family envelope, you should have received a hard copy form labeled "Acceptable Use Agreement". Please be sure your student turns in their technology form to the school office. We need this form returned so the class can be given their laptops/tablets. See attachment.

October Hot Lunch Menu & Order Form

If you would like to order a hot lunch for the month of October, please see the attached order form and return it to the office with payment. Order forms are due by Friday, September 18th. Please be sure to turn in your lunch order and payment on time. Late orders will not be accepted.

EXTRA Face Masks:

We have noticed students are not bringing their extra face masks to leave in their lockers. Please be sure to purchase and send them in with extras. *If a student comes to school a third time without a face covering St. Jude will provide a face covering and may charge a \$5 fee (see parent/student handbook).*

Boxtops for Education:

Help St. Jude School earn money online towards school supplies by scanning your store receipts. Download the Boxtops app on your phone. See the attached flyer for details.

CALENDAR

Sep. 17th: 6th-8th Curriculum Night via Zoom @ 6:30 PM

Sep. 22nd: 7th grade Confirmation Meeting (Parent & Student) @ 6:30pm (gym)
Parent Board Meeting @ 6:00pm via Zoom

Sep. 23rd: 8th grade Confirmation Meeting (Parent & Student) @ 6:30pm (Gym)