



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER May 7, 2021

Dear Families –

May is here and there have been many things to brighten our days at Our Saviour School. I heard wonderful comments about the Joy Challenge efforts with the May flowers! What a way to brighten someone's day. And then the May Crowning was a wonderful time to show our reverence to Mary, Mother of God.

Staff Changes: As previously mentioned Mrs. Russotto is retiring this year and Mrs. Wheeler has decided that she would prefer to substitute teach for us next year. Recently Mr. Jolly announced his retirement at the end of the school year and Mrs. Brown has taken an opportunity in the district. We wish all of these wonderful teachers great success and well wishes. We have been interviewing for some of these positions and will be continuing to interview and will be announcing new teachers soon. **However, we still have an opening for a full-time Intermediate Teacher.** Please spread the word with family and friends. Again – our well wishes and blessings to those leaving!

Co-Athletic Director Needed: We are looking for a co-Athletic Director working with Mr. Gibson. This stipend position will entail scheduling games, hiring officials, supervising at home events, hosting parent meetings, and general administrative duties within the Our Saviour Athletic program. If interested, please contact the office by **Wednesday, May 19th**. Thank you to Candy West, for her leadership and guidance in this role this past year. With all the changes due to the pandemic, the time and effort with our athletic program this year led by Mr. Gibson and Mrs. West was extensive and we appreciate their efforts to allow all of our student athletes their sports seasons. Thank you both!

Part-time Janitor needed: We are looking for a part-time janitor for late afternoon/evening shift, 2 – 3 times a week for the 2021-22 school year. Please contact the office ASAP if you are interested in this hourly position.

Volleyball Camp: Registration forms for the 2021 ShamRocket Volleyball Camp are due by Friday, May 14th. Forms were sent home on Friday, May 7th. If you need a form, they are available on the Our Saviour School website. The camp is for all interested girls, grades 4-12, as of the 2021-22 school year.

OSS Athletics—Spring Hog raffle: Just a reminder, the Spring Hog Raffle to benefit Our Saviour Athletics is currently underway. Tickets are available at the KC Hall and from our girls basketball players and our track athletes. Our winners will be drawn on May 21st, each winner getting Half of a Hog. Processing will be done at Jones Meat and Locker and will be done the week of July 19th. Tickets are \$10 each, or 3 for \$20. Thanks for your support of Shamrock Athletics.

8th Grade Graduation is just around the corner. A note went home to parents telling them about all the activities scheduled on May 20th. The 8th grade awards will be at 8:30 am in the Our Saviour Church. The 8th grade graduate and 2 guests are invited to attend the awards presentation. The 8th graders will have lunch at approximately 11:30 am at the KC Hall. Graduation will be at 6:30 pm that evening and the graduate will be able to invite 4 parents/relatives to sit with them. We look forward to celebrating these year-end events with our 8th graders!

Year-end Items: Please return any library and classroom books ASAP. Also, please check Teacher-Ease for outstanding lunch balances and after-school balances. **Any outstanding balance with After-School and Lunch will be drafted from your FACTS account by mid-June.**

Vision and Hearing Tests: For any child that was absent during the screening held at Our Saviour School, the Morgan County Health Department will be having a screening clinic on May 12, 2021 at the Morgan County Health Department located at 345 W. State St in Jacksonville. You may contact them at 217-245-5111 to schedule an appointment.

Luer's is having their summer sale. Please see the attached flyer for details.

Summer Retreat for High School students (including our current 8th graders): Many of you are aware of the

Called and Sent program offered by the Office for Vocations at the Villa Maria Retreat Center. The Offices of Youth Ministry and Vocations are teaming up to offer an enlightening experience geared towards high school students (including current 8th grade students).

Details

Who: High school students who want to grow in their relationship with God, self, and others, while making friends and having fun!

Where: Villa Maria Retreat Center, 1903 E. Lake Shore Dr., Springfield

When: July 4-7, 2021

Cost: \$250

A flyer is attached to this email for further details.

Class composites: We have a few class composites left for anyone who is interested. They are \$5.00. Please contact the office if interested in purchasing one.

Kiwanis Fishing Event: The Jacksonville Kiwanis Club is having a fishing event on Saturday, June 12th from 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. at the Morgan Lake at Nichols Park. Please see the flyer attached to this week's parent letter.

With Shamrock Blessings,

Mrs. Stevie VanDeVelde

Dates to Remember:

May 12 – Parent Club – 6 pm

May 12 – 8th grade Recognition Mass – Livestreamed on the Parish Facebook page

May 13 – Advisory Board – 6 pm

May 14 – Lockman scholarship essays due – grades 5 – 7 band and music students can apply. See previous email for details.

May 14 – Spirit Wear Day & SIP – 11:30 Dismissal – No PM Bus

May 20 – 8th Grade Awards – 2 guests invited to attend and sit with their student – 8:30 am at church–Livestreamed

May 20 – 8th Grade Graduation – 6:30 pm at church – 4 guests invited to attend and sit with their student- Livestreamed

May 20 – Last day for Pre-K

May 21 – Last day for K – 7 with an 11:30 am dismissal. All school mass followed with brief awards/sports presentation over the intercom. No Bus.

May 24 – Teacher Institute day