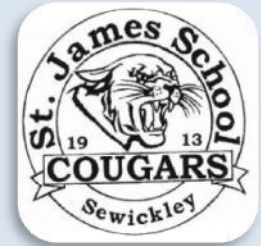




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Events

10/8 9am Liturgy

10/12 1pm: HSA Parent Meeting

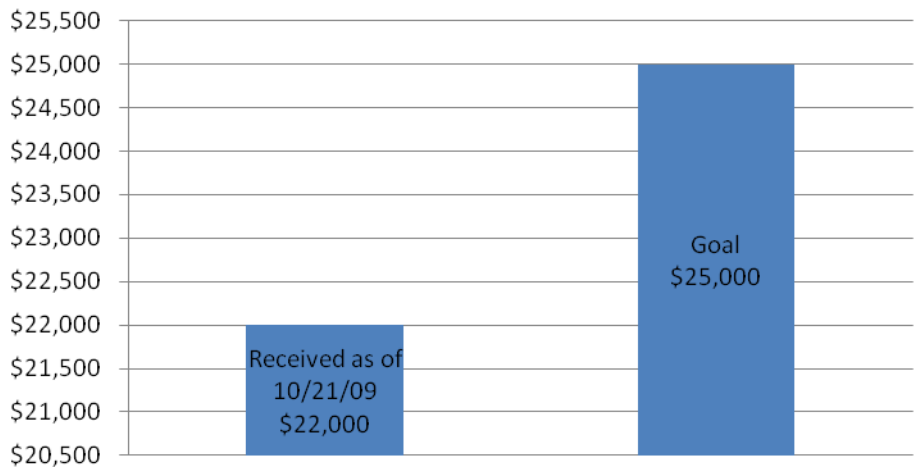
10/15 6:30-9:30 at St. Joseph, Protecting God's Children (see article below for more details)

Cougar Call Entries

All Cougar Call entries must be submitted to Mary Ceccarelli **no later than Monday** in order to be featured the same week. Any submission after Monday will be featured a week later. All articles can be submitted to Mary's email:

mhcecca@verizon.net or, by filling out the form on the HSA page of the SJS website.

Race for Education Update



Sister's Christmas Catechism

It's not "The Nutcracker". And it's not "A Christmas Carol". But it IS the newest addition to your holiday traditions! Sister's Christmas Catechism: The Mystery of the Magi's Gold arrives at St. James School on the evening of Saturday, December 5 for one command performance. Tickets are available by completing a ticket order form and returning with payment to the school office. (A ticket order form will be sent home in a future edition of Cougar Call). Single tickets are \$35.00. Special discount pricing includes dinner and show combo, couples pricing, and VIP seating. All proceeds of the show benefit St. James school.

In this latest addition to the LATE NITE CATECHIM series, Sister employs techniques from her favorite TV show, Forensic Files to discover the whereabouts of the Magi's Gold. As she points out in her hilarious opening, "We know what happened to the myrrh and the frankincense – Mary used them as a sort of potpourri. They were in a barn after all. But who was the culprit who made off with the gold coins and left Mary, Joseph and the infant Jesus in that lousy stable without any chance to upgrade to a suite?"

Forensic tools in hand, Sister creates a living nativity using audience members dressed as the Holy Family, magi, shepherds, sheep, cattle...and of course, an ass. She then sets the stage for the crime by directing a local choir in songs of the season that are sure to add even more clues to her investigation.

SISTER'S CHRISTMAS CATECHISM, with hysterical audience interaction, musical

Religion Website News

Our religion book series Faith First has a website

faithfirst.com The site offers supplemental material such as games, chapter reviews and practice tests. For chapter reviews and practice test, click on "Kid's Clubhouse", and then select "chapter review". St. James uses the "legacy" edition. After you select the "legacy" edition, select the appropriate grade and chapter.

You can also access Faith first directly from our SJS website, [parent's page](#).

highlights, wacky prizes, non-stop laughs and the irrepressible, irresistible Sister, is bound to become a must-see holiday tradition.

For further information, please contact Traci Ziemkiewicz at gtciem@comcast.net or Shari Cain at shari.cain@gmail.com.

Thank You

John McNally and the Bayer Corporation and Joann Matten for coordinating the donation of much appreciated safety glasses for the Science Lab. Students in 6th, 7th and 8th grades will benefit from them as they conduct science experiments during their lab time each week.

The Osheka and Bolen families for the donation of a 10 gallon aquarium and lighting for the Science Lab. We are also grateful to the Bolen family for the aquarium stand. This tank will house a hermit crab habitat! These items will complete our plans to create a "living classroom" for student enrichment. The students have been excited to adopt our various creatures and observe their habitats and growth each day. Thank you for support in this effort!

Market Day News

Thanks to all for your Market Day orders last month! The next pickup will be on October 24th. Just some reminders: **the special for this month will be on pies**. The apple and the cookies and cream are really awesome and great for serving on the holidays. Also, if your order is paid for online (marketday.com) or sent in by check to the school and you cannot pick it up by 3:30 p.m.; your order will be left in the freezer in the cafeteria. If your order is not paid for, then it will be sent back to Market Day. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. As always 10% of your total sale will go to your script total. Thanks again for your participation!

Attention Volunteers:

There will be a Protecting God's Children Workshop at St. Joseph in Coraopolis on October 15, 6:30-9:30 for any volunteers who have not previously attended a session. Call Cathy Pisko at 412-264-6162 to register. This is one of the required elements that each school volunteer must have for the Diocese of Pittsburgh's Safe Environment Policy. If you have any questions regarding the Safe Environment Policy, please contact Sue Ponticello at the Rectory at 412-741-6650 ext. 315. Thank you.

Altar Server Schedule

October 10 - October 12

Oct 10 5:00 PM	Oct 11, 7:30 AM	Oct 11, 9:30 AM	Oct 11, 11:30 AM
Nathan Belliveau	Alexis Brezny	Leo Hill	Emma Cullo
Rachel Belliveau	Ryan McNelis	Colin Hill	Nick Cullo
Ryan Torbic	Matthew Mezzio	Molly Hill	Sarah Cullo

Athletic Events

10/7 5pm: St. James XC hosts a home meet at Youthtowne. Over 150 runners are expected. Volunteers are needed and, spectators welcome!

10/10 1pm: 4th Grade Soccer vs. Bishop Leonard / St. Mary of the Mount at Olympia Park field

10/11 3:30 & 4:45pm JV & Varsity Soccer Vs Brookline Regional at QVHS

10/11 2:15pm: 3rd Grade Soccer vs. St. Kilians at QVHS

10/11 2:15pm: 4th Grade Soccer vs. Bishop Leonard / St. Mary of the Mount at QVHS

Athletics

Soccer



Varsity Soccer Game Recap

This past Friday night the Varsity team took on Brookline Regional Catholic at their home field at Seton LaSalle H.S. It was a very rainy night, but by game time the skies cleared for just enough time to get the game in without any rain! Unfortunately, our team started out a little slow as the other team converted within the 1st minute of play which woke up our team but unfortunately broke our string of shutouts. After that we kept the pressure on them with Jack Matten scoring a goal before the 1st half ended, which tied the game. In the 2nd half, our team came out strong on offense and defense as Jack scored 4 goals. Two of Jack's goals were headers that he placed right in the goal via well placed corner kicks by Brody Churovia. Brody landed the balls perfectly and Jack out jumped their defense to head the balls in. Excellent play came from Hannah Renner, Rachel Osheka, Jenna Ponticello, Katie Indovina and Jay Pflugh. On Midfield, Madison Grimes and Cora Saftner had some nice touches on the ball and moved it up field. Final score was 5 to 2. The Varsity team now has 4 wins and no losses. Way to go Cougars! We play the same team again this Sunday at our home field at QVHS.

The JV Soccer Team

St. James JV soccer team had an away game this past Friday evening against Brookline Regional Catholic School. The game was played at Seton LaSalle High School; they have the same synthetic turf as Quaker Valley. Good thing because it rained heavily the entire game, one can only imagine the condition of a real grass field under those conditions! All the JV players played a great game. Everyone's ball control, distribution and give and go passing were strengths even while playing in heavy rain. The final score was 8 to 0, St. James being victorious. Ryan McNelis scored one goal, Lauren Padalino scored one goal, Billy Garrison scored two goals and Kyle Cardwell scored four goals. The St. James Cougar JV record is now four wins and no losses. The entire team is looking forward to their next game at home on Sunday against the same team, Brookline Regional Catholic School.

The 4th grade soccer team played this Sunday against Madonna. Thanks to the parents who drove all the way out to Donora for this away game. Thanks also to the 3rd grade students who played up; Jonathan McAllister and Brett Gregory. The Cougars played well as a team and came up with a win. Peyton Gregory had 2 goals. Billy Garrison, Kevin Meurer and Jonathan McAllister all added one as well.

We held the Madonna team to only 1 goal with Anthony Guy and Jonathan McAllister sharing goalie duty. Great Job St. James Cougars!