



### Mission Statement

St. Joan of Arc School,  
a ministry of Ste. Rose de Lima Church,  
is a school fashioned according to the will of  
God.

We offer a faith-based education  
to boys and girls from pre-kindergarten to  
eighth grade.

Here learning is rooted in Christian Values.  
We, the faculty, staff, and students, teach and  
learn with compassion and direction, treat each  
other with respect and dignity, and celebrate  
with joy our potential for excellence.

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### DISMISSAL ROUTINE

For the safety of our students in grade K-8 please follow this routine for car pick up. At the end of the day, if you pick your child up, please enter the Percy St. yard at the first gate off of Grattan St. and wait for your child. Everyone must exit the second gate off Grattan St. AND take a left when exiting the parking lot. You must go around the block to get back on Grattan St. Please follow this pattern to keep everyone safe. There is NO PICK UP on Percy St. per Chicopee Police Dept. You must come into the parking lot. Thank you.

### Parent Information Night

Parent Information Night will be held on Thursday, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the School Hall. After a few words from the principal, Miss Jenkins, parents will be able to go into the classrooms to meet the teachers and learn about the upcoming school year. This event is for parents and guardians. No child care is available. Please make this a parent night only.

### SJA School P.T.O

Mrs. Geraldine Bresnahan, our SJA PTO coordinator is excited to begin this new school year. The PTO meetings moved to Monday nights at 6:30 pm for this year. The first meeting is Sept. 9th in the School Hall. Each year we get a few more, and a few more parents attending. Please come and give us your thoughts. New faces are always welcome.

The first PTO event will be an Ice Cream Social on Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the Trilby St. school yard.

### Bounce Trampoline Night Out

Instead of a dine out night in September, SJA will be having a trampoline night out. On Monday, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, SJA will host a fun activity. From 4:00 pm until 7:00 pm come join us at Bounce Trampoline, 1250 St. James St. in Springfield. Children 5 years old and younger is 10.00 an hour and children 6 years and older are \$16.00. This is a new event for SJA. Flyers will be sent home soon, and this is part of your admission ticket. Please bring the flyer with you. Hope you have a bouncing good time.

### Financial Aid from the Springfield Diocese

Applications for financial aid for the 2019-2020 year are now being accepted by FACTS Grant Management at [www.online.factsmgt.com](http://www.online.factsmgt.com). A new application must be filled out each year. Financial aid is awarded on a first come, first serve basis, so it is imperative to submit your application in a timely manner. There is a \$35.00 fee to apply.

Apply for aid ASAP and then be sure to send FACTS your 1040 income tax form and W-2 statements for 2018 when completed. Awards will not be considered without your documentation of income.

Applications will be accepted on FACTS Grant Management until Oct. 31, 2019 or until the funds run out. Awards are per student and the average award is \$600.00. Their number is 866-441-4637 if you have any questions.

### Stop & Shop A+ School Rewards

SJA is, once again, participating in the A+ School Rewards. Current supporters do not have to re-register their S&S cards. NEW SUPPORTERS do need to register their S&S cards with our school ID number via online account. Please go to [stopandshop.com](http://stopandshop.com) to create or log into your online account. Access your account settings at "Manage Your Account", and select our school at "Rewards & Savings". Our school number is 05332.

Last year we received \$1,154.00 and it was used towards our Key-Lock project. All indoor doors were keyed with the same key and safety locks. Doors open out from the classroom, but lock from the inside and outside. Also, all outside doors were keyed the same with safety locks.

In June, we received \$1,161.69. Thank you!

### After School Activities

SJA School will continue with the following after school activities: Chess Club from grades 2 through 8, beginning in Oct., Card Club from grades 2 through 8 will also begin in Oct., Performing Arts for grade 5 through 8 will begin in either Sept or Oct, a flyer will be sent home. Book Club for grades 3 and 4 will begin Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>. We are exploring a couple of after school activities and will let you know if any come to fruition.

### Ste. Rose de Lima Parish Picnic

The annual Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> from noon until 6:00 pm. It is held on the grounds of the K of C #69 on Granby Rd. in Chicopee. This is always fun for kids and adults. There is live music, plenty of food, and games for the kids. There are also some raffle prizes! Tickets for adults and children will go on sale soon.

### Fulfill a Wish....

Take a fish! There is a bulletin board on the first floor, across from the School Hall that has a fish wish list for the faculty. Please take a fish and purchase the item for the teacher. Thanks! Our faculty appreciates your thoughtfulness.

### School Store

Mrs. Lynn Larrabee will continue to run the School Store once a month. This is an opportunity for your children to purchase needed items such as index cards, folders, crayons, etc. The first School Store will be on Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>. The dates will always be listed on the monthly newsletter and calendar. It is appreciated if you send in small bills for store purchases.

### FACTS Tuition Management

FACTS Tuition Management is open Monday through Friday from 7:00 am until 9:00 pm and Saturday from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. Please call them at 866-441-4637 with any questions.



- \*Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> – First Day of School for Pre-K & K.
- \*Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> – Parent Information Night for all grades at 6:00 pm in the School Hall.
- \*Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> – Ste. Rose de Lima Parish Picnic.
- \*Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> – First P.T.O. meeting at 6:30 pm in the School Hall. All parents invited to join us.
- \*Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> – Ice Cream Social for all families at 6:00 pm. Sponsored by the P.T.O.
- \*Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> – Bounce Trampoline from 4:00-7:00 pm
- \*Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> – Walk-A-Thon Fundraiser for all grades at Ray Ashe Park. Flyers will be sent home.
- \*Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> – SJA Craft Fair at K of C #69.

You can support SJA School by participating in the following:

- \*\* Box tops for Education
- \*\*Coke rewards
- \*\*Stop and Shop A+ rewards
- \*\* AmazonSmile

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