

President

SPRING 2016!

Hopefully, the title of the heading above has gained your attention! It is not a misprint but rather our attempt to explain what we hope will be a much better adjustment of our spring academic calendar which we will run in the upcoming school year.

Up until our recent history, we had always attempted to schedule – for a variety of reasons – a two-week recess period during the Easter season. With the advent of the February week-long recess, and our desire to stay in concert with our colleagues in other schools/districts, the two-week Easter recess was no longer available to us. That will change in the 2015-2016 school year!

St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute will NOT continue the President Week recess next year. School will not be in session on Monday, February 15th, for President's Day, but we will be IN SESSION for the remainder of that week. School will NOT be in session from Monday, March 21st through Friday, April 1st. Once again, the reasons for this change are several, but perhaps primary is the increased focus this will provide our students during their 3rd academic quarter (the present February recess provides little but does create a great distraction!).

The only challenge which for some may be significant involves transportation to/from school during from February 16-19, 2016. Although a few districts will transport even if they are not in session, several will not. Our hope, with this advance notice, is that families will be able to make accommodations so that their son(s) will be able to get to school.

Our hope is to have all major dates for the 2015-2016 school year on the website within the next few weeks. Just as we say adieu to the young men of Class of 2015, we begin the planning process for the Class of 2016 and those who will join them in our school next year.

HAPPY SUMMER TO ALL!

APRIL:

24	Class of 2015 Senior Prom
25	Class of 2015 Post Prom Part

Calendar

25 Signum Fidei Distinguished Induction Alumni Dinner 6:00 pm Brookfield Country Club

27-1 Fine Arts Week - flyer attached

29 Annual Choral Music Concert 7-9 pm - Cullen Center

30 Annual Instrumental Departmental Concert 7-9 pm Cullen Center

MAY:

- 1 SJCI Alumni Assoc. Fine Arts Wall of Honor Induction 7-10 pm Cullen Center
- 4 Grandparents' Liturgy-flyer attached - flyer attached
- 5 SJCI Class of 2019 Orientation and Social 7-9 pm Gym
- 12 Class of 2015 Baccalaurate
 Mass with their families 6:30 pm St. John the Baptist Church
- 14 School Liturgy Feast of the Ascension 9:30-11:00 am
- 14 SJCI CLASS OF 2015 COMMENCEMENT
- 15 Principal's Holiday NO SCHOOL
- 18 School Liturgy-Feast of St. John Baptist de LaSalle 9:30-11:00
- 25 School Holiday-Memorial Day
- 29 SJCI Jazz Band Concert Cullen Center 7-10 pm

JUNE:

11-15 Final School Exams16-24 Final NYS Regents Exams

JUNE-JULY:

29-24 SJCI COLLEGIATE SUMMER PROGRAM

Summer Sports Programs - Info on the SJCI website under "Summer Programs"



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BUSINESS OFFICE

To all parents, especially seniors... just a reminder that all tuition and fees should be paid in full at this time. If there is a problem, please notify Mrs. Allen at 874-0730.

The first tuition payment for the 2015-16 school year is due June 15, 2015. Monthly and quarterly payments of tuition will be made with an automatic debit from your bank account by electronic transaction. As stated in the last Newsletter, we will continue your automatic payments with the account information that we have on file. You will be notified of the 2015-2016 payment amount to be deducted from your bank account (beginning with the June 15, 2015 payment) on the tuition statement which will be mailed to you during the first week in June.

For the 2015-16 school year - the application for the Supplementary Work Program is again an on-line application. (link below)

http://www.sjci.com/apps/ pages/index.jsp?uREC_ ID=260085&type=d&pREC_ ID=590291

Once you complete the application, you will receive an email response that will signify program acceptance and also give you further instructions. Sophomores, juniors, and seniors will make a schedule with Mr. Mueller between June 1 and June 28. The starting hourly rate for participants in the Supplementary Work Program is \$7.00 per hour. The due date for submitting the application is June 1,

2015. Questions may be directed to: workprogram@sjci.com

Thank you to all families who applied for financial aid using SMART Tuition Aid. We appreciate your cooperation with meeting the April 1st deadline. The school is now in the process of evaluating all applications. Award letters will be mailed no later than May 15th.

"Dress code, warm weather" polo shirts are available in the SJCI bookstore at a cost of \$18.00 each. (size 2XL is \$21.00) We will also be placing an order over the summer for all incoming freshman. The order form for this will be included in the summer mailing.

On another note, we would like to thank Mrs. Cyndy Allen for her many years of service and wish her well in her retirement.

A NOTE FROM MRS. CYNDY ALLEN:

To the St. Joe's families:

I have enjoyed working with all of the parents and students the last 14 years. It has been a pleasure to watch all of the young men mature and graduate. I am retiring at the end of April and moving to Ohio to be with my family.

Good bye and God speed.

Cynthia Allen

ADMISSIONS OFFICE

St. Joe's operates under a rolling Admissions Policy, meaning we evaluate applicants throughout the year. St. Joe's will continue to accept new applications for admission and offer the Entrance & Scholarship Exam through August. Please encourage prospective St. Joe's families to contact the Admissions Office to begin the application process.

If you know of a young man that would benefit from a St. Joe's education, please encourage him to attend the following programs:

Collegiate Summer! 2015

Collegiate Summer! is a four-week program designed exclusively for students entering their 8th grade year. By participating in Collegiate Summer! 8th graders get a chance to experience St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute and develop skills that will be useful as they prepare for high school. The program runs June 29 – July 24, 2015 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. Brochures and registration forms are available at www.sjci.com or by calling the Admissions Office at 874-4953.

2015 St. Joe's Summer Sports Camps

St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute is proud to offer Summer Sports Camps in Baseball, Basketball, Football, Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer, Volleyball and Wrestling. Brochures and registration forms are available at www.sjci.com or by calling the Admissions Office at 874-4953.

GUIDANCE OFFICE

Please have your son submit all of his college acceptance letters, scholarship letters, grants, or award letters or any information pertaining to colleges to the guidance office as soon as possible. We are using this information for the graduation program. Acceptance letters and awards are needed for the information that will be listed under your son's name (regardless of the school he is going to attend). The Graduation Program goes to the printer in early May so this information must be submitted as soon as possible.

Seniors are received a blue Senior Information form in homeroom that needs to be completed for the graduation program. He will submit his college choice and list all the awards, scholarships, grants, etc. for the graduation program. All the scholarships that your son received, regardless of whether he will be accepting them or not, will be listed under his name. We will need letters for all the scholarships. Your son will need to return this form by April 24th. We will still be able to make changes to the graduation program up to the time that it is in final print. Check with Mrs. Manna if you have any questions. Please make sure he submits all award information. We must have the documents on file for them to be listed in the Graduation Program.

Please remember that Graduation is May 14, 2015.

Please have your son advise Mrs. Manna if he has changed his first choice college after he submits his blue information sheet. Final transcripts will be sent when they are available to the school he has listed until we are advised otherwise.

Scholarships are posted on the guidance schoology page. Many local scholarships have deadlines in May and June, so seniors are encouraged to continue visiting this page. The access code for the guidance schoology page (www. schoology.com) is MJRVT-6WQ48. Parents should create student accounts so they can see all their sons see.

All Juniors who are hoping to play Division I or Division II sports in college must register on line with the NCAA (www.ncaa.org). If you have any questions please contact your son's counselor.

Juniors have met with their counselors to discuss the college selection/ application process and have compiled a college list. We have been revisiting these lists individually. Please continue to discuss with your son what your family's parameters for college are. Juniors will also be meeting with Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Lewis in Religion classes later this spring to begin preparing for the college application process.

Spring and summer are good times to visit colleges. To visit call the Admissions Office to arrange a tour, or visit the college's website and make an appointment online.

Any student wishing to still take the SAT or ACT should check the list in guidance for test dates and registration deadlines. Each Junior should take the SAT at least once this spring. You can also access the test dates and registration deadlines for the SAT at www.collegeboard. com and the ACT at www. actstudent.org. Please remember that the guidance office does not register your son for these tests. The SJCI school code is 331095.

If you have any questions regarding any of these topics, please call your son's guidance counselor.

SCHOOL NURSE

All freshman and sophomore students in the 2015-2016 school year are required to submit a current physical to the Health Office. This physical can be dated after September 2014 to be in compliance with New York State Health Laws.

School physicals will be held in May for current students interested in playing sports for St. Joe's next fall. Dates are TBA and will be posted in the daily announcements. This physical will be valid for the entire 2015-2016 sports season. Contact the Health Office if interested.

Physical forms can be obtained from the Health Office or online under the parents tab/helpful forms.

A reminder: physicals are valid for 1 year to the end of the month in which they were completed.

The rule for sports physicals is as follows: as long as your son has a current physical on record at the beginning of the sports season, along with a current parental consent form, he is eligible to play for the entire season without having to submit a new physical if it were to expire during that time. For example: winter sports start November 2015. Your son's physical must be dated after November 1st of 2014 to be considered current. If your son would want to go on to play a spring sport, and his physical expired during the winter season. he will then need to submit a new physical before he will be allowed to try out.

For any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Meyer, School Nurse at 716-270-4128 or pmeyer@sjci.com.

PARENTS' GUILD

As the end of the school year nears, we would like thank everyone for your generous support of the SJCI Parents' Guild. We rely on volunteers and once again this year, parents stepped up to ensure the success of our events.

We would especially like to thank our Senior parents for their years of involvement and know you are always welcome at Parents' Guild.

But the year is not over! If you have not had a chance to volunteer, there are several upcoming opportunities:

Post Prom Friday, Apr. 24, 11:30 p.m. - 3:30 a.m. Contact: Julie Kremer (833-9959 or juliek@cvk.net)

Grandparents' Liturgy - Monday, May 4, 6:30 p.m. RSVP to link on Edline home page or on Daily Announcements page at sjci.com

Contact: Barb Szafranski (875-9725 or barb.szafranski@verizon.net)

Incoming Freshman Orientation and Ice Cream Social - Tuesday, May 5, 7 p.m.

Contact: Anne Dyet (812-4850 or annedyet@gmail.com) or Kim Hazelet (838-0305 or kmhazlet@hotmail.com)

Graduates Liturgy Reception

- Tuesday, May 12 - Evening reception following Mass

Contact: Jane Schmitt (631-9672 or jschmitt@bizjournals.com)

Congratulations to our

Class of 2015

- Live Jesus in Our Hearts. Forever!

From the School Bookstore....

Spring has arrived and so has all the NEW merchandise at the SJCI BOOKSTORE!

Need a gift for Mother's Day? Our new Nike Women's zip up jacket or SJCI charm bracelet are perfect gift options for your mom, grandma or favorite female.

What about a Father's Day gift for your husband, son or father? Our new black, lined windshirt pullover is a super additional layer for watching those chilly spring sports or as a gift for your dad to add to his golf wardrobe!

Looking for a memorable Graduation gift? Give your graduate a classy etched SJCI paper weight or custom cuff links. Be sure to check out our custom SJ Vineyard Vines belt and SJCI ties, which would be a welcomed gift by any proud Marauder! Shop now while supplies last. Stop by the bookstore (Tuesday and Thursday 12-4 pm) or go online to visit our newly reconstructed webstore to make your selections and have delivered to your home.

HAPPY Spring!

CAMPUS MINISTRY OFFICE

May you experience the peace and joy that is ours as we continue to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and new life in Christ!



Here are a few points of information to share with you!

We have one more sophomore retreat to be held on Tuesday, April 28th at Harvest House. This is a rescheduling of one that had to be canceled back in the fall. Our class retreats will then be complete for yet another year. To all those who volunteered to assist on a retreat or to spend time praying in Eucharistic Adoration during our retreats . . . a sincere and heart-felt "thank you." Many blessings have come and will continue to come to SJCI due to your sincere prayer and selfless efforts.

Kairos XVII and XVIII went beautifully and were wonderfully received all who attended. The student teams were exceptional and the adult teams were at the top of their game, yet again. Most of the Christian Ministry Service Projects have been submitted, but there are still a few missing!! If your son has yet to hand in his appropriately signed

"Completed Form" (see his report card) please remind him to do so immediately if he intends to move on to the next grade level. As you know, Christian Ministry Service is a mandatory requirement here at St. Joe's.

All but four of our St. Joe's liturgies are over for this year. It is always a joy to see and meet so many parents at our various Eucharistic celebrations. Your presence is a silent witness to your faithfulness, your love for your sons and your commitment to the extended family of St. Joe's. Thank you again for all you do and for your continued support. You're the best!

Again, as in the past few years, I will be offering a "Day of Reflection" for all those who have assisted me and the Office of Campus Ministry at any time throughout the year. If you haven't had the opportunity to attend before, please be sure to sign up early and reserve your spot. Mark your calendar for Saturday, June 13th, 2015. We will meet at 7:45 a.m. in St. Joe's parking lot (behind the school) and mini-bus/ car pool from there. Our destination is a little over an hour away in the rolling hills outside Fredonia, N.Y. There we will discover the fifty rustic acres of Fr. Ray Donohue's "Oasis of Peace." Fr. Ray has assisted on a number of our retreats over the past few years and, therefore, many of you have already met him. Believe me when I say that you're in for a great experience. We plan to leave there soon after our 4:00

P.M. Mass (around 5:30 p.m.) to begin our peaceful ride back home. If you're planning to join us, please call Ms. Beverly Tomasi (633-3977) to register. We do have a limited numbers of spaces available . . . so don't delay! (Snacks and lunch are provided although we invite you to please bring a dish to pass)!!

Also, please keep in mind our 7th annual "Summer Service Experience" for our St. Joe's students. This is a four day service retreat from July 6th - July 9th (Monday - Thursday) from 7:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. This is an opportunity for our students to complete their service requirement for 2015-2016 in only four days. More importantly, they will be sharing this experience with their peers and some of our St. Joe's faculty/staff. The service sites will include the "Kids of the Kingdom Summer Camp" held annually by St. Luke's Mission of Mercy. Other site(s) have yet to be determined. More information will be forthcoming!

And so, until the next newsletter
... "May the Lord bless you and keep you and may His countenance shine upon you as we continue to celebrate "Resurrection and New Life" in Christ Jesus . . . our Lord!

Peace . . . Deacon Bill

St. Joe's Robotics Team Wins Award

The robotics team, begun in the fall of this school year, participated in its first competition March 27 and 28 at Rochester Institute of Technology. This is the inaugural, or "rookie", year of competition for St. Joe's in the FIRST® FRC Competition. There are over 3000 teams around the world that participated in Regional competitions, like the Finger Lakes Regional at which SJCI participated.

St. Joe's robotics team, named the Alumiboti, finished seeded 19th out of 45 teams after the twelve qualifying rounds of the competition. This earned St. Joe's team the "Highest Rookie Seed" Award for this regional competition. Along with this accomplishment, the Alumiboti

were ranked at one point on the last day of competition 11th, and participated as part of an alliance that earned the highest score in any qualifying round.

Every team participating in this competition received the details of the game on January 3, 2015, through a NASA webcast. Each team then has until February 17, 2015, to build a robot that will be able to play the game. In this year's game, Recycle Rush, the St. Joe's robot specialized in picking up and storing storage totes.

The robot was remotely controlled in an arena setting on a field in RIT's Gordon Field House. Adam Trimper and Kellen Adamek were the drivers for the robot, assisted by Adam Bardak who was the "human player" of the competition team. Backing up the team as maintenance specialists in the pits were Austin Greenwood and John Pesarchick, who

were assisted from the software side by Dan Starner and Colin Ackerman. The all-important scouting team, which provided timely information about potential allies and opponents alike, was led by team captain Matthew Aungst and consisted of Chris Navarro, Jacob Brill, Andrew Faturos and Vikram Singh.

St. Joe's team, under the direction of Mr. Patrick Wick and Br. Joseph Wilkowski, FSC, Physics teachers at SJCI, is already making organization and training plans for the 2015-2016 season.

CONGRATULATIONS!



A Note from the Athletic Dept.

Congratulations to the Varsity Maroon Club hockey team as they won their second straight Super Sunday Championship defeating Canisius 4-3 in overtime. The Freshman hockey completed their season with a championship at the Gene Harrington Tournament.

Congratulations to the Varsity Wrestling team, winner of the MMHSAA All-Catholic Championship. Richie Jones went on to win the CHSAA State Championship and a 5th place finish at the NYS PHSAA Federation Championships.

The spring sports are off to a great start as the varsity baseball, lacrosse and track teams traveled to the Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World for spring training. The lacrosse team's trip was historic in that they traveled by bus with stops in Virginia and Georgia for games. The rowing team also spent the Easter break training as the traveled to Marietta, Ohio to do some serious rowing.



St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute Visual & Performing Arts Department proudly presents



Fine Arts Week





April 27 - May 1, 2015

Tuesday, April 28th Student

ArtWorks
33rd Annual Student Art Opening
6:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Wing
Refreshments will be served &
String Ensemble will perform

Movies by Digital Arts Class 6:45 - 7:15 p.m. in the SJCI Cullen Center for the Arts followed by Art Awards at 7:30 p.m.

The evening is *free* and open to the public. Art Exhibit will remain on display all week.

Wednesday, April 29th
Vocal Departmental
Concert

Thursday, April 30th
Instrumental Departmental
Concert

both performances at 7p.m. in the SJCI Cullen Center for the Arts
For concert ticket info call 874-4024

Friday, May 1st
Fine Arts
Wall of Honor

10th Annual Induction Ceremony
7 p.m. in the
Cullen Center for the Arts

Honorees include:
James Bilz '74
Brian Castner '95
Kevin Eichner '86
Patricia Haberman, DDS
Peter Kopera '86

Call St. Joe's Advancement Office for information: 270-4142

Grandparents' Liturgy & Open House Monday, May 4, 2015 6:30 p.m.

There will be a Mass and Open House at St. Joe's for all Grandparents and their grandsons

Monday, May 4, 2015

(Mass will be held in the school gym)

After Mass, the Parents' Guild will serve refreshments in the cafeteria and the school will be open so that students may show their grandparents the facilities of the school.

We look forward to greeting as many grandparents as are able to attend that evening.

So that we can prepare	school	the number expected, please return the slip below to to the Main Office Monday, April 27, 2015.
		Open House - Monday, May 4, 2015
My so	on,	, will come to the
	Grandparent	s' Liturgy & Open House
	with #	of his grandparent(s).
Grandparent Name:		
Signed:		

Please clip and return this response to the following address:

St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute
Attn: Main Office – Grandparents' Liturgy
845 Kenmore Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14223

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE CLASS OF 2015



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GOOD LUCK TO THE CLASS OF 2015!