



August 18, 2025



"Life is a journey. When we stop, things don't go right. We must always walk in the presence of the Lord, in the light of the Lord, always trying to live in an irreprehensible way."

Pope Leo XIV

Dates to Remember

Sunday, August 24th:

Children's Mass - 9:00 a.m. - St. James Church

4th Grade (choir only)

Tuesday, August 26th:

Fall pictures for 3rd - 6th grade students

Wednesday, August 27th:

Fall pictures for PreK-2 through 2nd grade students

Sunday, August 31st:

Children's Mass - 9:00 a.m. - St. James Church

3rd Grade (choir only)

Monday, September 1st:

Labor Day - NO SCHOOL

Friday, September 5th:

All-School Mass - 8:30 a.m. - St. James Church

6th Grade leads

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Always On
Mission,
Under One
Umbrella!



Blue and Gold Winners:

5/19/2025 - Jeffrey Kovacevich	\$100.00
5/26/2020 - Mark Rose	\$100.00
6/1/2025 - Kenny Paul Bertucci	\$500.00
6/9/2025 - Craig Cook	\$100.00
6/16/2025 - Kelli Mullen	\$100.00
6/23/2025 - Lauren Carter	\$100.00
6/30/2025 - Kristin Messer	\$100.00
7/7/2025 - Dustin Williams	\$500.00
7/14/2025 - Ann Marie Walley	\$100.00
7/21/2025 - Davis Pace	\$100.00
7/28/2025 - Julie Pace	\$100.00
8/4/2025 - Margret/Johnny Marquez	\$500.00
8/11/2025 - Maegan Harder	\$100.00



Congratulations!

Blue and Gold Winners:



See you later!



Thank you all for a great start to the new school year!

We have truly been impressed with the students walking to class on their own at morning drop-off! They are doing a great job.

Beginning on Monday, August 18th, we ask that all parents say goodbye either in the car or before going through the double glass doors in the front of the school, by the office.

Rest assured, faculty and staff will be in the hallway to help any student who is having a difficult time with separation, or who may need help getting to the classroom.

Students, especially the little ones, are proud of themselves when they walk independently, and it helps to build their confidence.

Please talk to your child if you have been walking him/her to class, and prepare them for this change. Let them know that you will not be able to walk with them on Monday, but reassure them that you will see them at the end of the day.

THANK YOU!

EVERY MINUTE IN SCHOOL MATTERS



Did you know? **ATTENDANCE MATTERS**

Missing a day of school here and there may not seem like much, but it adds up!

When a student misses 2 days a month:

- They will miss 20 days a year
- They will miss 30 hours of math over the school year
- They will miss 60 hours of reading and writing over the school year
- They will miss over a year of school by graduation

When a student misses 4 days a month:

- They will miss 40 days a year
- They will miss 60 hours of math over the school year
- They will miss 120 hours of reading and writing over the school year
- They will miss over 2 years of school by graduation

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2025 – 2026
SCHOOL CALENDAR

JULY/AUGUST 2025				
M	T	W	T	F
28	29	30	31	1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

SEPTEMBER 2025				
M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

OCTOBER 2025				
M	T	W	T	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

NOVEMBER 2025				
M	T	W	T	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

DECEMBER 2025				
M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

JANUARY 2026				
M	T	W	T	F
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

FEBRUARY 2026				
M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27

MARCH 2026				
M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30	31			

APRIL 2026				
M	T	W	T	F
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6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

MAY 2026				
M	T	W	T	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

- Holiday – No School
- Quarter Tests
- Faculty/Staff Development
- End of a Quarter
- Report Cards

Quarter 1 – July 31 to October 2
Quarter 2 – October 3 to December 19
Quarter 3 – January 5 to March 11
Quarter 4 – March 12 to May 22
First Day of School – July 31
Labor Day – September 1
Fall Holiday – October 6-10
Thanksgiving – November 24 - 28
Christmas – December 22 - January 2
Parent/Teacher Conferences – January 16
MLK, Jr. Holiday – January 19
Mardi Gras – February 16-17
ITBS Testing – TBA
Good Friday – April 3
Easter Holidays – April 3 to 10
6th Grade Graduation – May 21
Last Day of School – May 22



We will offer ice cream on Friday. Students must have cash in order to purchase ice cream. All of the ice cream products that we sell are approved by the state office of Child Nutrition and fall within the guidelines of our Wellness Policy.

PK-3, PK-4, Kindergarten and 1st Grade: Students can bring money in a zip-lock bag with their name on it. If you would like to pay in advance, teachers will keep up with the money in the zip-lock bag. They will send the bag home when it is empty.

2nd - 6th Grade: Students will purchase their own ice cream and will be responsible for keeping up with their money.



All ice cream is \$1.00



August 18 - August 22, 2025

Monday

TRAY - Chicken Fajitas w/ Fixins' Table, Queso & Chips, Corn
TOTE- Pizza Stick, Creamy Alfredo Pasta, Orange Slices
Fruit & Yogurt

Tuesday

TRAY: Chicken Nuggets, Buttered Roll, Roasted Potatoes, Rosey Applesauce
TOTE: Mini Corn Dogs, Potato Chips, Apple
Chef Salad

Wednesday

TRAY: Hamburger w/ Bacon, Dressing Table, Chips, Baked Beans
TOTE: Bacon, Chicken Spinach Wrap, Potato Chips, Grapes
Fruit & Yogurt

Thursday

TRAY: Spaghetti & Meatballs, Garlic Bread, Carrots, Orange Slices
TOTE: Mini Chicken Tacos, Queso w/ Chips, Orange Slices
Chef Salad

Friday

TRAY: Pizza, French Fries, Apple
TOTE: Spicy Chicken Sandwich, Cool Ranch Doritos, Apple
Fruit & Yogurt