



January 17, 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, January 18

4th Grade Grandparent Luncheon
11:40 a.m.

Friday, January 19

Christian Service Spirit Day

Sunday, January 21

Open House
1:00—3:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 28

Catholic Schools Week Begins

Kick Off Mass—10:00 a.m.

January 29—February 2

Box Top Contest

Thursday, February 1

4th Grade Mini Musical
7:00 p.m.

Friday, February 2

Catholic Schools Week Out of Uniform Day

Thursday, February 8

School Advisory Commission Meeting—7:00 p.m.

Friday, February 9

Christian Service Spirit Day

Tuesday, February 13

Grades K-3 Valentine's Day Parties

Wednesday, February 14

Ash Wednesday

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ST. JAMES SCHOOL

NEW INFORMATION

8th Grade High School Survey

Now that our 8th graders have received information from area high schools, we ask that you complete and return the 8th Grade High School Survey sent home in today's Wednesday Envelope. Thank you!

[8th Grade High School Survey](#)

Open House Sunday

The St. James Open House will be this Sunday, January 21, 2018, from 1:00-3:30 p.m. We hope to see you there! Remember, one lucky family in attendance will win a \$500 tuition credit to St. James for the 2018-2019 school year.

[Open House Poster](#)

Christian Service Spirit Day Friday

Friday is a Christian Service Spirit Day. (This is rescheduled due to last week's snow day.) Students are permitted to wear spirit wear – St. James shirts, solid red, white, or black shirts, pants, or jeans. No overly tight-fitting pants (examples include, but are not limited to, leggings and yoga pants) are allowed unless shorts are worn over the top of them. If you are unsure if the pants are too tight, choose another option. Please see page 40 in the St. James Handbook for a complete description of what is acceptable to wear on these days. In exchange for being in spirit wear, we ask our students to bring an optional donation for Restore & Renew.

St. James Parish Tuition Assistance

St. James will be utilizing FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment to determine financial need for tuition assistance here at St. James. FACTS provides an online application for families. A family's tax and income information can either be scanned and emailed or sent via mail to the company directly. The deadline for applications for St. James tuition assistance is **April 15, 2018**, for the 2018-2019 school year. If you have applied for aid for a high school and also want to be considered for St. James, you will need to upload your 2017 tax information before the deadline. You do not need to reapply, you just need to update your information. **This is also the process if you applied for the Archdiocesan Financial Aid. Just update your 2017 information before April 15th so your results will be sent to us to be considered for parish aid.** The application can be completed at <https://online.factsmgmt.com/signin/3XHJJ>. If you have any questions about tuition assistance or the application process, please contact Amy Klosterman, St. James Parish Business Manager, at 741-5320.

[Click here for more events](#)

Catholic Schools Week Service Project Collection Items Reminder

The St. James students will be collecting items and assembling “hygiene kits” for UpSpring, a nonprofit organization that supports homeless youth in Cincinnati. We will also be assembling hygiene kits and snack bags for the residents of Our Lady of the Woods, an independent living facility in White Oak that supports older adults in need. Each grade will be asked to donate items, and then as a school community, we will assemble the bags to be delivered to these two organizations. Please understand that we are trying to assemble as many “takeaway bags” as possible, so we are not asking for top brand items, and many of these items can be found at a “dollar store”. The recipients of these bags will be grateful for anything that we are able to provide.

Kindergarten: multi-packs of toothbrushes

1st Grade: tubes of toothpaste (travel size or full size)

2nd Grade: bars of soap (individually wrapped multi packs would be ideal!)

3rd Grade: shampoo (travel size or full size will work)

4th Grade: deodorant

5th Grade: individual-size salty snacks (chips, pretzels, pringles, etc.)

6th Grade: pudding or fruit cups

7th Grade: dental floss or toothbrush holder

8th Grade: boxes of gallon size Zip-Loc bags

*You can also bring in other items from any grade levels if you would like.

PLEASE BRING IN ITEMS NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, JANUARY 19th

Thanks for your generous help with our project. We are excited to have our St. James Community touch the lives of so many others!

REMINDERS

Registration for 2018-2019

Last week in your Wednesday Envelope, students in grades K-7 were given a registration packet for the 2018-2019 school year. We are excited to begin registration for next year! Please read through the information carefully. There will be a \$150.00 registration fee that will be debited from the account you have on file with FACTS on February 9 unless you inform us in writing that you will not be returning next year by February 2.

If you would like to register a new sibling of a current student, [please click here](#) and complete the online registration form. Please call the school office or email us at infosjs@stjameswo.org if you have any questions.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. We’re looking forward to another exciting year at St. James!

Catholic Education Foundation Tuition Assistance

The Catholic Education Foundation application period for the 2018-2019 tuition assistance grants is now open. The foundation is again able to offer \$2 million in needs-based tuition assistance. Each eligible student in grades K-8 may receive up to \$1,000 to be used at any Catholic school within the Archdiocese. The determination of awards is made on a yearly basis through a third party provider, FACTS Grant and Aid Management. The application period deadline is January 31, 2018. If you have questions, please call Pam Jaspers at 513-421-3131, ext. 2713 or email cef@catholicbestchoice.org. [Click here](#) to learn more and begin the application.

[Catholic Education Foundation](#)

CAFETERIA

NEW INFORMATION

Volunteers

The cafeteria is in desperate need of volunteers on January 30th and 31st. Please contact Alice Ashcraft at aashcraft@stjameswo.org or call 741-5338 if you can help on one of these days.

The Week Ahead

Thursday, 1/18—A & B—Meatball Hoagie; Sides—Macaroni and Cheese, Baked Beans, Celery with Dip, Mandarin Oranges, Applesauce, Salad Bar with Chili

Friday, 1/19—A—Popcorn Chicken; B—Spicy Chicken Strips; Sides—Cheesy Broccoli Rice, Side Salad, Pears, Applesauce; Salad Bar with Chili

Monday, 1/22—A & B—Pancakes; Sides—Scrambled Eggs, Strawberry Cup, Vanilla Yogurt, Celery with Dip, Applesauce; Salad Bar with Chili

Tuesday, 1/23—A & B—Chicken Drumsticks; Sides—Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Peaches, Applesauce; Salad Bar with Chili

Wednesday, 1/24—A—Cheese Pizza; B—Pepperoni Pizza; Sides—Waffle Fries, Carrots with Dip, Fresh Fruit, Applesauce; Salad Bar with Chili

REMINDERS

January Menu

Please see the link below for the January menu.

[January Menu](#)

January Volunteers

Please see the link below for the volunteer schedule for January.

[January Volunteer Schedule](#)

PTO

UPCOMING DATES/EVENTS

January

18—Grandparent/Special Friend 4th Grade
 21—Open House
 24—Little Caesar's Pizza Kits start
 26—Cyclones Night
 28—Feb. 2—Catholic Schools Week

February

1—Staff Appreciation Luncheon & 4th Grade Musical
 2—Kids Day
 7—PTO Board Meeting; 7:00 p.m. Room 105—All are welcome
 8—Little Caesars Orders Due
 15—Little Caesars Order Pickup
 15—Conferences
 16—Family Fun Day at Perfect North
 27—Pen Pal Event Grades 1st & 7th

NEW INFORMATION

**Family Fun Day—Perfect North - Friday, February 16th 11:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.
 (ticket pickup between 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.)**

If you would like to attend, please fill out the attached registration and send in to St. James PTO, C/O Perfect North Day. Please see the attached form for pricing. Enclose cash/check made out to St. James PTO. A waiver **MUST** accompany the registration per person. If you would like to print off additional waivers, please go to www.perfectnorth.com and up at

the top of the page by the log-in is a link to get additional waivers. If you have any questions, please contact Karin Loftus 513-225-1758. Please have your registration in by Thursday, February 8, 2018. If you don't pre-register, you will have to pay full price. Every child must be accompanied by an adult. On the day of the event, please meet Karin Loftus inside the main entrance near the fireplace to pick up your passes between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. We hope to see you there!

Note: After February 8th NO REFUNDS OR CANCELLATIONS WILL BE ISSUED.

[Perfect North Flyer](#)

[Perfect North Reservation Form](#)

[Perfect North Waiver](#)

Winter Bash- Saturday, March 3, 2018 7:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m.

Adults only at Aston Oaks Golf Course

Back by popular demand! St. James PTO sponsored Winter Bash (formerly referred to as "Dinner Dance.")

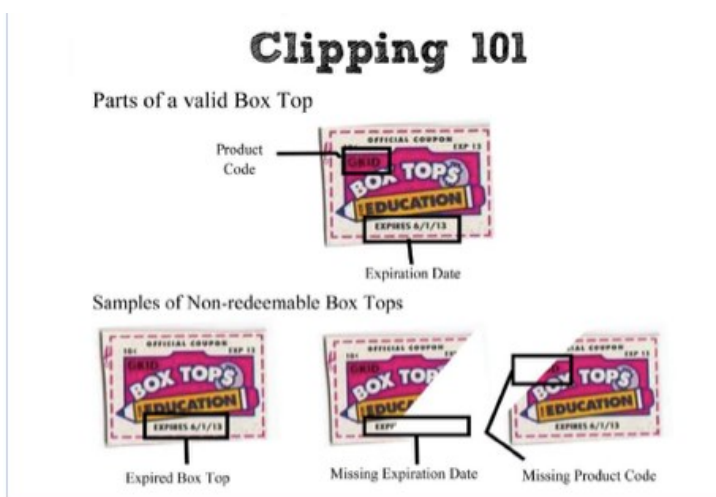
Join us for dinner, drinks, dancing, raffle baskets, games and fun! For \$80/couple we will provide, dinner, DJ, games and unlimited beer and wine! Casual attire, no fuss! Come join the fun and break up the winter blues with your friends!

Please return your reservation no later than February 22nd. Hurry! Spots will fill up quick; don't miss out!

[Winter Bash Reservation Form](#)

Box Tops - Keep Clipping!

Our deadline for the Homeroom Challenge for Box Tops is Thursday, February 22. Winning homerooms will be announced by Friday, March 2nd. Remember to put your clipped Box Tops in a bag or envelope with the homeroom you wish them to have credit given. While it is NOT required that Box Tops are trimmed neatly, it IS required to have important information visible as shown below:



REMINDERS

Spirit Shop

January Hours:

Sunday, January 21st 1:00-3:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 25th 8:00-9:15 a.m.

The Spirit shop will be open on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of every month from 8:00 a.m.-9:15 a.m. We will also be open for Open House on Sunday, January 21st. Please feel free to stop by!

REMINDER: If there is a two hour delay on a day that the shop is scheduled to be open, the shop will not open that day.

Dream Dinners - Saturday, January 20th at 11:30 a.m. or Wednesday, January 24th at 5:30 p.m.

Ever “dreaming” of what is for dinner? The St. James PTO has an exciting offer to help you bring your dream to a reality. St. James PTO is partnering with Dream Dinners-Westside to offer St James families a chance to build three meal kits for quick and easy meal prep. Each meal kit offers three servings of a tasty dinner that requires little prep time to deliver a quick and yummy meal to your table. The cost of the private event is \$34.99/person and is limited to 12 St. James individuals per session. Each session is scheduled for one hour. During the hour session you will be offered a taste of a few different Dream Dinner meals, sip a cocktail, and create three meal kits.

Please use the links below to select your meals and complete your registration with payment.

January 20, 2018 at 11:30 a.m.

<http://dreamdinners.com/fundraiser/733308>

January 24, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

<http://dreamdinners.com/fundraiser/733309>

Any questions, please feel free to reach out to Lauren Neyer at laurensu@me.com.

Dream Dinners Flyer

Cyclones Night- Friday, January 26th at 7:30 p.m.

Join us for St. James night at the Cincinnati Cyclones game! Enjoy discounted ticket prices and “Kids Eat Free” night! There will be drawing for 12-15 kids to go out on the ice at halftime. This is a family fun night you don’t want to miss! Please send the attached entry form and check made out to the St. James PTO by January 18th. Questions, contact Leslee Pfaff, leslee.pfaff@gmail.com

Cyclones Flyer

ATHLETIC CLUB

NEW INFORMATION

2018 Track Sign Ups Open

Sign ups for the 2018 Panthers Track season are open online. Track is available for children in grades K-8. Please visit www.stjamespanthers.org and click on the “Login/Register” button in the top right. Contact Millie Nie at millie@stjamescu.org with any questions. Go Panthers!

Volleyball Coordinators and Assistance Needed

The SJAC is searching for two energetic volleyball minds to serve as coordinators that can continue building on the great momentum the St. James Volleyball Program is enjoying. Typically, St. James sports programs have co-coordinators to help distribute responsibilities, so we are looking for two great volunteers to fill this program coordinator role. We are also looking for some administrative help to run the St. James Volleyball Camp. Help is needed to email attendees, collect paperwork, etc. Please contact Vicki Seng at rileyroo@fuse.net or Karen Eutsler at karen.eutsler@gmail.com if you are interested, if you know anyone who would be interested, or if you have any questions. Thank you!

2018 Football Sign Ups

Football sign ups are open on-line for the 2018 Football Season. Registration has been opened early to aid in team formation and coordination with the GCYL. Deadlines for registration have been moved up from previous years. To accommodate families who will have multiple sports registration occurring simultaneously due to this accelerated sign up schedule, football registration offers a two-part payment plan. Please contact Paul Reynolds at pgreynolds@hotmail.com or Vicki Sent at rileyroo@fuse.net with any questions.

Farewell to Our Volleyball 8th Graders

Last Saturday, these 8th graders played volleyball on the home court as St. James Panthers for the last time. Congratulations to these girls and their parents for representing our school, parish, and sport so well! Good luck and continued success as you complete your 8th grade year and move on to high school. St. James is proud of you!



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2018 Panthers Baseball Sign Ups

Sign ups for the 2018 St. James Baseball season are open on-line. Please contact Xen Schneider at xschneider@cinci.rr.com or Joe Bradshaw at joe2bradshaw@gmail.com with any questions.

4th Annual St. James Golf Outing

Please mark your calendars for the 4th Annual St. James Athletic Club Golf Outing to be held Friday, April 27, 2018, at Aston Oaks Golf Club. We hope you will consider joining us for this fun event. Proceeds from the event will benefit the athletic programs for the students at St. James. More details on the event and registration information will be distributed soon. If you have any questions about the event, or would consider volunteering to help with the outing this year, please contact Keith Theissen by email theissenk@gmail.com or phone (859) 462-0461. Thank you from the St. James Athletic Club. We look forward to seeing you on the course!

February 28th XU Game to Benefit the SJAC

Discounted tickets are on sale for the February 28th XU men's basketball game against Providence. These tickets are being sold at a discounted price, and some of the proceeds benefit the St. James Athletic Club. You can buy tickets by filling out the order form and returning it through school by February 9, 2018.

[Xavier University Ticket Order Form](#)

ST. JAMES PARISH NEWS

NEW INFORMATION

Parish Bulletin

In case you missed this past week's bulletin, [click here](#) to access the information.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Fabulous Bridal

Fabulous Bridal is hosting a special trunk show at their store for first communion dresses. The special event will take place February 9-11. Please see the flyer attached for more information.

[Fabulous Bridal](#)