

EAGLE'S NEST NEWS

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SCHOOL INFORMATION

Monday - Thursday
7:50 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Friday -
7:50 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

School Mass every Wednesday at 8:30. School office will be closed from 8:20 – 9:20 so that all staff members may attend Mass

Adoration every Friday for grades 3 – 8

Extended care available at 7:00 every school morning and until 5:30 P.M. every school day. Please schedule in advance with Ms. Bronkema
kbronkema@stjosephstucsonaz.org

School Office Hours:
Monday - Thursday 7:30 - 3:30
Friday 7:30 - 1:00



Dear St. Joseph Catholic School Families,

We love our excellent teachers at St Joseph Catholic School! As we prepare to return to campus and our classrooms I wanted to recognize and thank our amazing teachers.

Teaching is the profession that teaches all other professions! From the moment we are born we are learning, which means someone is teaching!

One thing is for certain — Teachers do not choose their profession for fame, glory, or money. So why would someone choose to be a teacher? Well, for one thing, they have been given a gift. Not just anyone can be a good teacher. One must not just possess the knowledge to teach, but also the ability to share knowledge in a way that makes the student retain it and want more. But teaching is so much more than just disseminating information. Each teacher is unique and yet there seem to be some universal traits of excellent teachers. Think about your favorite teachers. I am sure you will see a lot of their characteristics listed here.

Excellent Teachers Make Learning Fun - Whether they are teaching the alphabet or advanced calculus, a good teacher can make learning fun! This requires an immense amount of creativity and also a passion for the subject they are teaching.

Excellent Teachers Listen and Adapt - Lesson plans do not always go as anticipated. Good teachers are in tune with their students and adapt lesson plans on the fly to meet their student's needs.

Excellent Teachers Care About Their Students - This doesn't mean all teachers are warm and fuzzy. It does mean they are truly invested in each student's success.

Excellent Teachers Continue to Learn - It's important for teachers to continue to add to their own knowledge base. Whether it's to learn more about their students or the subjects they teach, an excellent teacher is also a life-long learner.

Excellent Teachers Love What They Do - Again, teachers generally do not enter their profession to become famous or rich. They become teachers because they love kids and they love learning. Teachers of excellence are able to imprint their joy of learning on their students. A joyous and engaged teacher is much more likely to have joyous and engaged students.

Excellent Teachers are Amazing Communicators - Whether captivating the attention of 20 kindergarteners or meeting with a parent, teachers need to communicate well with a variety of people.

Excellent Teachers are Inspirational - Many times the most important thing a teacher can do is help students to overcome their negative expectations of themselves and replace them with the ability to imagine their own success. It's often a teacher who sees students' potential long before the students see it for themselves.

Excellent Teachers Understand Balance - Balancing the different needs of a classroom full of students can be daunting. An excellent teacher knows how to manage the needs of individual students while maintaining the goals and expectations of the group as a whole.

Excellent Teachers Go the Extra Mile - Teachers of excellence often do whatever it takes to help students learn and achieve success. Much of their work takes place after the last bell of the school day has rung.

Excellent Teachers are Good Role Models - They are people of character. They are honest and exhibit integrity. They do not hold double standards for themselves and their students.

I am confident that you recognize these characteristics in our EXCELLENT St. Joseph Catholic School teachers!

Enjoy these remaining days of summer!

I have a very open door policy. Please do not hesitate to call, email or come by.

Wishing you peace and joy,

Kathy Van Loan, Principal

Mark your calendars –

July 31 – Campus work day – come help us get the campus ready for school. Help teachers. Earn double volunteer hours. 7 – 11 AM. More details to follow.

August 3 – Welcome back to campus! Meet your teachers, order uniforms, learn about scholarships, receive information on compliance, get fingerprinted and much more! 8 AM – 12 Noon. Healy Hall and your child’s classroom.

August 4 – first day of school. **Mass at 8:30 – Mass attire.** 12:30 dismissal. Before and after care is available 7 AM - 7:35 AM and until 5:30 PM. By prior reservation. Contact Ms. Bronkema at kbronkema@stjosephstucsonaz.org to reserve space or with any questions.

August 5 – 12:30 dismissal. Before and after care is available 7 AM - 7:35 AM and until 5:30 PM. By prior reservation. Contact Ms. Bronkema at kbronkema@stjosephstucsonaz.org to reserve space or with any questions.

August 6 – 12:30 dismissal. Before and after care is available 7 AM - 7:35 AM and until 5:30 PM. By prior reservation. Contact Ms. Bronkema at kbronkema@stjosephstucsonaz.org to reserve space or with any questions.

MASS DAY IS CHANGING! – School Mass will be every Wednesday at 8:30. **School schedule is not changing.** School still ends at 3:00 on Wed. and 12:30 on Friday! All are welcome to attend Mass with their students. Preschool, PreK and Kindergarten teachers will let you know when your students will begin attending Mass.

School offices will be closed from 8:20 – 9:20 on Wednesdays so that all staff may attend Mass. If you bring your child late on Wed. and the office is closed, please bring them into the church through the south side door entrance.

Students may be dropped off every day beginning at 7:35. Gates close at 7:50. Please strive to have your child to school on time.

Student drop off information will follow.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - WEDNESDAY AUGUST 4

Drop off your student and then join us for our opening school Mass. All families are welcome. Meet your child grades 1 – 8 in the church at 8:30!

After Mass students will return to classrooms. Parents are invited to enjoy coffee and fellowship in Healy Hall immediately following Mass.

Office hours for July 1 – 23 will be 8 AM – 3 PM Monday through Thursday and 8 AM – 1 PM on Fridays. You may also schedule an appointment.

We will resume regular office hours of 7:30 – 3:30 Monday through Thursday and 7:30 – 1 on Fridays beginning July 26.



Volunteers Needed!
Keep our community vibrant and strong!
You have what we need, old or young
You can serve or take the lead
it's all the same when it comes to need.
Say yes and give what you've got,
for God's gifts should be shared, not lost.
So what do you say?
Give it a shot!

The Gift Shop & Parish Office will be opening on Sundays starting August 1, 2021 from 8am to 12 pm. You will earn 2x the volunteer hours for every hour worked. (must be in compliance to participate)

Call Angie Aguilar at 747-3100 for more information

Prayer to St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

We will follow all guidance of the CDC and Pima County Health Department regarding health and safety protocols for the upcoming school year. We will provide you information as we receive it.