IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR PARENTS

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL MEDICATION POLICY

- Medication must be accompanied by a completed Parent's Consent for Giving Medication.
- Parents are asked to complete a separate <u>Parent's Consent for Giving Medication form</u> for each medication for each child. These forms are available in the health office and on ParentsWeb. The medical order can be either a note from the medical provider or a prescription label and can be brought in by the parent or faxed from the doctor's office to us. Our fax number is 747-2024.
- Each medication must be brought in its original, labeled container with the child's name on it. No loose pills in baggies, envelopes, or other containers will be given.
- Children are not permitted to have medications in their possession. A responsible adult must bring all medications to the health office where they are placed in a locked cabinet or refrigerator.
- If there is a change in dose or frequency of a daily medication given at school, the health aide must be notified in writing.

PLAN AHEAD – Suggestions to make things easier:

- If your child has or will have braces or dental work, ask the dentist to write an order for pain medication. If your child has a cold or allergies, ask the doctor to write an order for the medications you might want to send to school.
- When you get a prescription filled, ask the pharmacist for a separate container for school, if needed.
- If your doctor gives you free samples of medications to use at school, including inhalers, have him/her write the prescribed order to send to school with the sample medication.