



To bring God's love to all people.

SPJ News

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A Message from Mrs. Montgomery



Congratulations on your Confirmation!!

(This Sunday, April 25, 2021.) The Easter Season is a wonderful time to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. During Pentecost, the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples and they received the courage to take on the mission Jesus gave them. Confirmation is our own personal Pentecost. This Sunday, The Holy Spirit will descend upon our eighth grade students and they will accept the same challenge given by Jesus to the disciples. *(You've Got This! Remember you are not alone.)*

It all starts with Baptism. *(Thanks, parents!!)*

Baptism marks the start of a relationship with Christ. Your soul changed permanently and you were filled with grace from God. Through Confirmation, the Holy Spirit strengthens these graces and seals them all inside you – like a carefully wrapped present! The “gifts” of Courage, Knowledge, Wisdom, Judgement, Wonder, Understanding, and Reverence are yours to help you face the daily challenges of Christian life. Many Catholics adopt the name of a biblical figure or saint that they find inspiring at their Confirmation. This shows the intention to copy their dedication to God. A heavenly friend who will pray and intercede for you on your Christian journey. Meet the spiritual friends of our current eighth grade class!

(More information found in LifeTeen- 8 Things You Need to Know About Confirmation)

Alexa Huffman - St. Joan of Arc
Josh Huffman - St. Paul
Addison Guenther - Mary Magdalene
Natalie Koch - St. Catherine of Alexandria
Addison Burgess - St. Agostina
Owen Rohr - St. Isidore
Ross - St. Mark
Allie Rohr - St. Louise De Marrillac
Luke Hancock - St. George

As the SPJ Community,
let's send prayers to these
young teens!! We are
proud of you!!

This is New 2021-2022 SPJ Tuition Savings Opportunities

Please consider filling out the KofC Scholarship Application. It is important that we support our local parish and Kof C group. They are so generous to our school. Only a few applications have been turned in at this time. My goal is to submit at least 10.

This is free money for school!!!

\$3000 SS Philip and James Knights of Columbus Scholarship

The Knights of Columbus is offering a \$3000 scholarship for our students. (Actually 3, \$3000 scholarships.) If you or your grandparent is a member of SS Philip and James Parish, please consider filling out the application. Applications are in this week's Thursday Folder and also attached electronically to this week's email.

Deadline for turning in applications is April 30, 2021.

Tuition Raffle (See Flyer in this Thursday's Folder)

\$5000 Tuition Credit!! 200 tickets, \$50 a piece will be sold. Winners will receive up to \$5000 to use for SPJ tuition, Catholic High School tuition, or even college. Look at the flyer attached to this email for more information. Contact the school office to purchase your winning number. There are still many tickets left!!

The winning ticket will be drawn on May 3, 2021.

EdChoice Expansion

EdChoice Papers have been sent home. Please return them asap to expedite the scholarship procedure. EdChoice Expansion eligibility was recently changed to 250% of federal poverty guidelines. Renewal Forms can be found in this week's Thursday Folders for all current scholarship parents. If you feel you may qualify for this scholarship opportunity please contact me for more information.

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Save with Scrip

Scrip Savings is still available. Please see the flyer explaining this easy tuition saver!!

Here's Your Sign



It is time to sign up for the “Sign UP” Campaign. We are currently in the process of bringing “new life” to our school. Tours are being scheduled and new families are learning about this wonderful place called SS Philip and James. If you have a SS Philip and James School sign (blow off the dust and pull it from your back shed), it is time to place it proudly in your front yard once again. If you need a new sign stop in the office, there are still a few available. If someone you know has a wonderful front yard that faces a busy road, please stop and pick up a sign to place in their yard too. (Ask first, of course!)

School Mass Times and Links

Join us virtually for the Mass Celebrations!

Thursday <https://youtu.be/NGmxZO506q8>

Friday <https://youtu.be/HobBeaKyyVk>

Sat Vigil <https://youtu.be/Lt3MTGUQyeM>



May Crowning

Due to Covid Gathering Restrictions this will be a student only event.

The ceremony will be recorded and sent out to our SS Philip and James families.

On May 14th SPJ students will participate in May Crowning. As part of our tradition of honoring Mary each classroom will be presenting vases of flowers to her. You are welcome to send to school flowers from your yard to add to the vases and we will once again offer the opportunity for you to purchase flowers through the school. If you would like to purchase flowers please send in \$2 per student. All cash should be sent in an envelope marked “May Crowning” along with your family name no later than May 10th.

SchoolStore.com is Open

SchoolStore.com is an easy fundraiser! Parents help purchase the essential tools our students and teachers need to succeed. Continue to encourage the use of this fundraiser when shopping. Thank you for your support!!



Parent Survey

Thank you families for filling out the Parent Satisfaction Survey. Your opinion and concerns are important to us! Please know my door is always open and I welcome your suggestions for improvements. Our mission:

“Saints Philip and James School

of Canal Fulton, in the Catholic Diocese of Youngstown, promotes a safe, caring, and supportive environment based on our Catholic Faith. Dedicated teachers create a learning environment that encourages success for all students. Saints Philip and James families are essential partners with the school and community in the development of tomorrow’s leaders.”

Yearbooks for 2020-2021 Now

Thank you to the families that have turned in the yearbook order forms. If you would like to purchase a “memory book” for the school year 2020-2021, there is a yearbook order form included in the attachments to this week’s newsletter or contact the school office for an order form. **The deadline to accept orders is**

April 30, 2021.

MARKET DAY IS BACK AT SPJ! (See Flyers attached to this email.)

For those of you who were missing Market Day, IT IS BACK! For those of you who have not purchased from Market Day, it is a site where you can order food and it ships directly to your door! YAY! The best part....when you order from Market Day SPJ receives 10% from your order! There are new specials every month and they are adding new products every day! Make sure you use our organization **SS PHILIP & JAMES - CANAL FULTON - OH** when you purchase. Email me or contact me with questions. (Ashley Piper 330-715-3773 or ampiper10@gmail.com)

AMAZON SMILE

Keep buying and helping raise money for our school. Just click on the choose new charity and click SS Philip & James Canal Fulton. It does not cost anything and you are donating to your school! Thank you!

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/34-0861033>



Flag Raising Ceremony

The SPJ Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts with the support of Knights of Columbus will perform a small ceremony to retire the current SPJ flag and replace it with the new one. All are Welcome!! Plan to meet at the school around 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday April 27th. The boys will perform the ceremony and present the flag to a representative from the Knights of Columbus.

Box Tops

SS Philip and James' Home & School is still collecting Box Tops. You can help by joining the app "to snap" a photo of your receipts. See the directions printed and in this week's Thursday Folder.

A Message From Mrs. Douglas, Lunch Manager



SS Philip and James School Lunch Program is accredited through the state of Ohio.

The state of Ohio's Nutrition program requires all of the menu items to be placed on the tray. Whether or not the student eats all the food doesn't matter. This practice is used so the state will reimburse SPJ for the lunches being served. Please ask if you have any questions.

In addition, FREE LUNCHES will continue through the month of May.

A Message from Mrs. Burke & Mrs. Mackey (4-8)

Dear Parents, In technology class students have been taught how to keep their passwords safe by not taping them to devices, not sharing them with others, logging off completely when not using a device, and not using the same password for multiple devices or programs. The attached chromebook policy has also been reviewed with students and is expected to be followed, particularly using school devices for school related purposes not for personal use. Please help us remind your student about password safety and using school issued chromebooks appropriately. If at any time you or your child has a concern or question about their password please contact Mrs Burke or Mrs Mackey. (See attached SPJ Chromebook Policy with this week's email.)



Rescheduled Car Parade

(See Flyer for updated information)

Join Us in Celebration for SS Philip and James Feast Day!

On the 150th day of school, there will be a Car Parade past our school! Please let your friends know to join in the festivities.



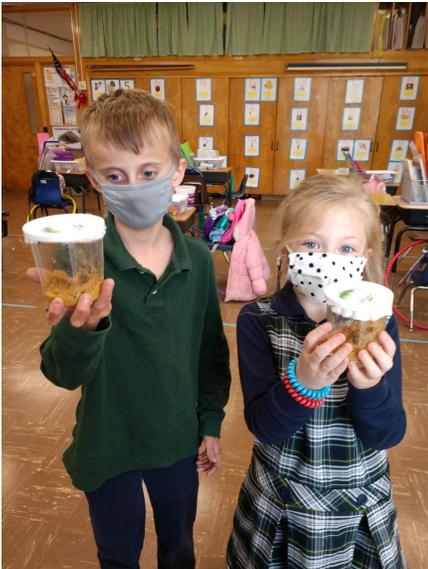
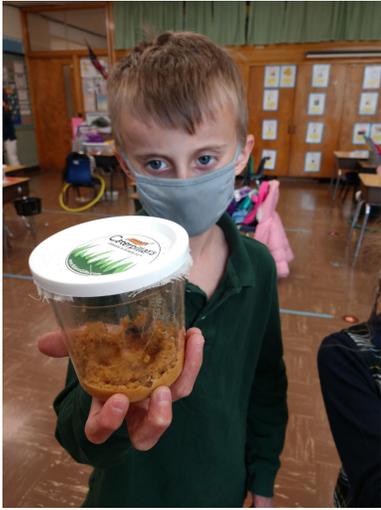
Upcoming Dates

- April 25- Confirmation for Grade 8 Students
- April 27- Scouts Event (Raising of the Flag) starting at 5:30
- April 29- Interim for Fourth Quarter
- May 2- First Communion for Grade 2 Students
- May 3- SS Philip and James Feast Day- Car Parade Rescheduled
- May 3- Kindness Groups- Students wear Kindness T-shirts with uniform bottoms
- May 3-7 Virtual Book Fair
- May 9- Mother's Day
- May 14- May Crowning @1:00 (School Students Only)
- May 20- End of Fourth Quarter
- May 20- Last Day for Preschool Students
- May 21- No School- Teacher Work Day
- May 23- Pentecost Sunday (Wear Red)
- May 27- Graduation (8th grade Families Only)
- May 28- Last Day for Students (This is a Half Day)
- May 28-Kindergarten Mass (School Students Only)
- May 28- Awards Ceremony
- May 28- Report Cards Go Home



Seventh Grade Science- Phases of the Moon





First Grade
With Very Hungry Caterpillars
Science is more than a book!!

