

# TIGER PRESS

Reporting on Catholic Education in the Classical Tradition



St. Joseph Catholic Academy resumed school on August 16th for the 2021-2022 school year. In our 2nd year of Classical Curriculum, our school has grown so much. We have new students, new staff, and the addition of 9th grade. Please see the list for all the new additions to the team. Of course, the news of the new staff and teachers comes with the addition of almost 100 new students to the academy with more school tours every week. We congratulate Ms. Alvarez on the move to Assistant Headmaster. The school now supports new activities such as:

- Volleyball**
- Cross Country**
- Choir Club**
- Journalism**

We have so much more to offer to come this new year with these new things, as well as, Archery, Soccer, Band I & II, and Campus Ministry.

## New Teachers & Staff

- Pre-K Aide
- Ms. Pedroza**
- Kindergarten
- Mrs. Berry**
- 2nd and 3rd Math
- Mrs. Tse**
- 2nd and 3rd Science
- Mrs. Smith**
- Middle School Science
- Mr. Maldonado**
- MS / HS Humanities
- Mr. Field**
- MS/ HS Math & Biology
- Dr. Mumphrey**
- Art
- Mrs. McPherson**
- Counselor
- Dr. Van Arsdale**
- Asst. Athletic Director
- Mr. Shook**

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## **About Us**

Tiger Press is the student led source of information and highlights within our St. Joseph Catholic Academy and the greater Catholic Community at St. Joseph Catholic Church. This publication is designed, written, compiled, and edited by our Campus Ministry Team.

## **Mission Statement**

To be a true source of inspiration and encouragement to our faculty, staff, and student body as we challenge ourselves and everyone to continue to grow in Faith, Hope, and Love.

## **Purpose**

Our goal is to report on events, activities, groups, and individuals representing our Catholic academy, values, and traditions. Committed to upholding our Tiger Traits, I will take responsibility for our actions, show respect for others, do what is right, make good choices, and pray for God's guidance and help. It is our desire to give back to our community through charitable acts throughout the year on behalf of our school and St. Joseph Catholic Social Ministries. We hope that all readers will join in the journey with us as we strive to keep Christ present and center at the forefront of all we think, say, and do. Our overall purpose is to assist everyone to strive toward holiness and sainthood.

## **Submissions / Comments / Suggestions**

Deadline for submission of articles or information for Tiger Press is the 15th of the month for publication in the following month's edition. All submissions, comments, or suggestions for our publication can be emailed to [ministryteam@sjcskillen.org](mailto:ministryteam@sjcskillen.org).

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# NEWS SECTION

## Afghan Refugees Come to Fort Worth



Afghan refugees have been departing on flights from Kabul and coming to Fort Worth, after the recent departure of all military personnel ending the more than 20-year war in Afghanistan. After all this time with the war on terror, the question is: Did we leave safer than the way we found it? Is America more or less safe with the Taliban now back in power?

There are nearly 6 million Afghans who have been forcibly displaced from their homes. Of those, 3 million are displaced within Afghanistan, 2.6 million are Afghan refugees living in other countries. The remainder is people of concern, including those who have returned to Afghanistan and are being assisted by UNHCR, the United Nations Refugee Agency, which is a global organization dedicated to saving lives, protecting rights, and building a better future for refugees, forcibly displaced communities and stateless people.

Let us keep those who are suffering and displaced in our prayers.

You can do your best to help these people in need that are coming to the U.S by donating money or helping by making shelter. Remember every little bit helps. Visit your local Catholic Charities website to see how you can assist.



# NEWS CONTINUED

## South Sudan Church Leaders Frustrated by Lack of Progress in Nuns' Murders



JUBA, South Sudan (CNS) — One month after two Catholic sisters were executed on a road in South Sudan, their killers remain unidentified, and church leaders are losing patience with an apparent lack of progress in resolving the murder.

In a September 15 Pastoral message, the country's bishops stated that they "condemn unreservedly" the Aug. 16 killing of Sacred Heart Sisters Mary Daniel Abud and Regina Roba, who died with several others during an attack on their chartered bus on the road between Juba and Nimule.

While government leaders quickly condemned the killings, they suggested responsibility lay with a rebel group with which they've been at war since 2013. Survivors of the attack, however, reported the killers wore military uniforms and spoke Dinka and Arabic, suggesting that they were government soldiers.

-Catholic News Service.com



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## Philanthropy In The Modern age

### Mr Beast a Modern Philanthropist

Jimmy Donaldson, also known as Mr. Beast, is known as one of the most charitable brands in this day and age.

This 23-year-old is making becoming well known on Youtube by giving away sums of money to people in need.

" I want to make the world a better place before I die." - Mr. Beast.



### Amazon Store Coming Soon to Houston

The people of Houston can finally shop at the online store AMAZON physically because the new Amazon store is coming to Houston. Sources say that there is a section in the store called "Amazon 4 Star". This information was gathered by Twitter.

Hopefully, this new generation of technology will benefit people of all communities.



### Food Drives

Start a food drive! Due to the Corona Virus Epidemic, people are running out of food in other states and countries, that is why we can help the countries by starting a food drive. Start a food drive to help the people in need. createthegood.com was the source for this information.

# Spiritual Section

## St. Francis of Assisi



St. Francis of Assisi was born in 1181. He was born and he died in Assisi, Italy. He died on October 3rd, 1226 (the age of 44).

He was canonized on July 16th, 1228.

Special Events:  
Feast day: October, 4th.

## St. Francis of Assisi

As a kid, he was wealthy and had an easy life because of his father who was a merchant. Like many people in their early life, he lived in sin. It took him around 25 years for his conversion. When he grew up, he was living his life going around to parties and chasing his dreams, and becoming a knight. When he finally got his opportunity, he had a dream from God. This was the first time and the spark of his journey to sainthood. He later heard God as he was praying in church. During his accusation in the bishop's office, he not only paid the money but also gave his dad back all of his clothes. This was his dedication to rebuilding the church as God had asked him to do!

## Hail Holy Queen

*Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,  
our life, our sweetness and our hope.  
To you do we cry,  
poor banished children of Eve,  
To you do we send up our sighs,  
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears  
Turn then, most gracious advocate,  
your eyes of mercy toward us,  
and after this exile  
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb,  
Jesus,  
O clement, O loving,  
O sweet Virgin Mary.*

## Saint Calendar

**October 1: St. Therese of Lisieux**

**October 2: St. Thomas of Hereford**

**October 3: St. Menna**

**October 4: St. Francis of Assisi**

**October 5: St. Faustina Kowalska**

**October 6: St. Sagar**

**October 7: St. Palladius**

**October 8: St. Benedicta**

**October 9: St. Geminus**

**October 11: St. John XXII, Pope Columbus Day**

**October 14: St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr**

**October 15: St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and doctor of the church**

**October 16: St. Hedwig**

**October 18: St. Luke, Evangelist**

**October 19: Sts. John de Brebeuf and St. Isaac Jogues priests**

**October 20: St. Paul of the Cross, Priests**

**October 22: St. Pope John Paul XI**

**October 23: St. John of Capistrano, Priests**

**October 28: Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles**

# Spiritual Section Continued

## Month of the Rosary

By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to a certain devotion. The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, one of the best known of all Catholic devotions. October includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7). The best way to celebrate this month is by praying the rosary.

The Battle of Lepanto was at first celebrated liturgically as "Our Lady of Victory." Later, the feast of October 7th was renamed "Our Lady of the Rosary" and extended throughout the Universal Church by Pope Clement XI in 1716 (who canonized Pope Pius V in 1712).

And with that, we are back to Fatima, Portugal where Our Lady, when asked her name, said: "I am the Lady of the Rosary." At Fatima, Our Lady taught us to pray the Rosary every day.

### ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX



*Birthdate:*

*January 2, 1873*

*Death:*

*September 30, 1897*

*Canonization:*

*May 17th 1925 Pope  
Pios XI*

*Feast Day: October 1*

*Patron Saint of  
Florists*

### OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY



### Bible Passages:

*Luke 1:38 "Behold I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word" and the angel departed from her*

*John 2: 3-5 "When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine'. And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet to come.' His mother said to the servers, ' Do whatever he tells you'."*

# Sports section

## VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball meet  
on Oct 25 and 28



Volleyball started September 7, 2021. The Volleyball team meets Tuesday and Thursday in the gym. Volleyball is a sport where the point of the game is to hit the ball over the net and the other team tries to hit it back and it goes on until one team is not able to hit it.



Cross country trains weekly to compete in local events. Their final competition is on Thursday, October 28th. We wish them all the best!



Cross country  
meet on Oct 28.



# SPOTLIGHT CORNER



Ask a Teacher



Mrs. Mumphrey

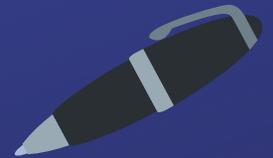


1Q: What inspired you to become a teacher?

1A: I became a teacher to help others & because my son had difficulties in class.

2Q: What did you want to be when you were younger?

2A: I originally wanted to be a nurse.



3Q: How do you feel about working here?

3A: I enjoy it because of how respectful the students are.

4Q: What's your favorite saint?

4A: My favorite saint is St. Joseph.

5Q: What is your favorite thing about working here?

5A: The students because their quite and respectful.

6Q: What's your favorite food?

6A: My favorite food is gumbo.

7Q: What is the hardest part about teaching?

7A: The hardest part about teaching is knowing that I would have to leave one day.

8Q: What's your favorite book?

8A: My favorite book is Aladdin.



## HEADMASTER

Mr. Steffen's Corner

What plans do you have for the school in the future?

I plans on growing the High School, and adding a basketball & baseball team.

How do you feel about being a principal?

I love my job!



# OPINION AND POLLS

Which profession would you choose  
Police Officer or Firefighter?



Homeroom Teachers please poll your class following Morning Prayer in October and email your poll to [ministryteam@sjc-academy.org](mailto:ministryteam@sjc-academy.org). We will report the school results in the next month's issue of Tiger Press.



## AUGUST

- Aug 2 - Hailey Dodge
- Aug 4 - Noah Gillespie
- Aug 5 - Daisuke Milne
- Aug 6 - Jayoni Pendleton
- Aug 7 - Denise Balingit
- Aug 8 - Jasmina Johns
- Aug 9 - Kamilah Rivera-Nesrala
- Aug 9 - Melany Gravatt
- Aug 14 - Eliana Rodriguez
- Aug 15 - Kennedy Cook
- Aug 15 - Aniaa Baptiste
- Aug 16 - Hunter Maloney
- Aug 17 - Jacob Mallory
- Aug 18 - Leanna Mae Burkett
- Aug 18 - Elisabeth Molina-Ortiz
- Aug 19 - Ronathan Mumphrey
- Aug 19 - Luke Teegardin-Silva
- Aug 20 - Izsak Norman
- Aug 22 - Dallas Anderson
- Aug 23 - Isabella Casanova
- Aug 23 - Gabriel Bartocci
- Aug 24 - Ricardo Yanez-Garcia
- Aug 25 - Isabella Arroyo
- Aug 25 - Jacob Roeder

## BIRTHDAYS

### SEPTEMBER

- Sept 1 - Aleana daniels
- Sept 2 - Gabriel Jimenez
- Sept 3 - Adelina Garcia
- Sept 4 - Jerecia Stewart
- Sept 4 - Genesis Ramirez
- Sept 11 - Avani Sophy
- Sept 12 - Mateo Garrett
- Sept 12 - Liam McGee
- Sept 12 - Adela Morgan .
- Sept 15 - Sophia Menjavar
- Sept 19 - Dalaynee Cole
- Sept 19 - abraham Bucad
- Sept 19 - Mary Freed
- Sept 20 - Noah Yanez-Garcia
- Sept 21- Elijah Nelson
- Sept 21- Esteban Hernandez
- Sept 27 - Denver Baggerly
- Sept 28 - Hayley Sawyer
- Sept 29 - Adrian Martinez

## OCTOBER

- Oct 1 - Amare King
- Oct 1 - Joseph Adeniyi
- Oct 2 - Jacob Lynch
- Oct 2 - Thomas Mia
- Oct 3 - Carlos Gutierrez
- Oct 3 - Mason Franks
- Oct 3 - Jose Ramirez
- Oct 5 - Annyka Pedroza
- Oct 8 - Christian Ruzicka
- Oct 9 - Lily Neault
- Oct 10 - Edward Butler
- Oct 11 - Desire Gutierrez
- Oct 15 - Juan Perez
- Oct 17 - Emma Clark
- Oct 18 - Miranda Organ-Soto
- Oct 22 - Caradin Irvin
- Oct 26 - Jack Chapman
- Oct 26 - Jonas Maloney
- Oct 30 - Dallas Ortiz
- Oct 31 - Elias Sophy
- Oct 31 - Marcella Gregg

## STAFF BIRTHDAYS

- Aug 24 - Maezi Cowie
- Aug 28 - Rita Huckert

- Sept 10 - Maria Ortiz
- Sept 21 - Olivia Hale
- Sept 24 - Augustus Cassell

- Oct 24 - Priscilla Mumphrey
- Oct 27 - Teresa Cage
- Oct 28 - Heather Nava

# Reviews

## Down in the river

Down in the river

Artist: Alison Krauss

Released 2007

Lyrics

As I went down in the river to pray, studying  
about that good ol' way, and who shall wear the  
starry crown Good Lord, show me the way, O  
sisters let's go down let's go down, come on down  
O sisters let's go down, down in the river to pray.

"Down in the river to pray is a very simple song  
that is very amazing to sing"- Jerecia "Some  
people like it and others don't." -Valeria. "It's a  
calming song that is very catchy and gives you a  
good feeling." -Carla. "I really like it." -Oscar.



## The Last Supper



### Painting by Leonardo da Vinci

"The last supper is the last time Jesus and  
his disciples ate and drank together  
before he died on the cross for our sins  
and the last supper is the body and  
blood of Jesus" - Jerecia. "The last supper  
is a beautiful painting," says Carla. "It  
looks nice and very colorful," says Amare.

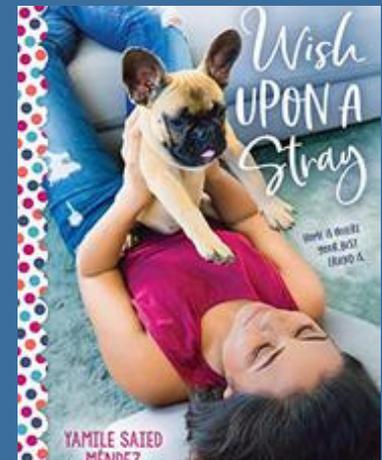
"It shows expression" says Kaiden. "Its  
an amazing way to show what  
happened in the last supper." said  
Jerecia

## Wish Upon a Stray

Author : Yamile Saied Mende

Birth Place: Argentina

Lives in Utah with her husband, 5 kids, 2  
dogs and 1 cat. She graduated from The  
Vermont College Of Fine Arts.

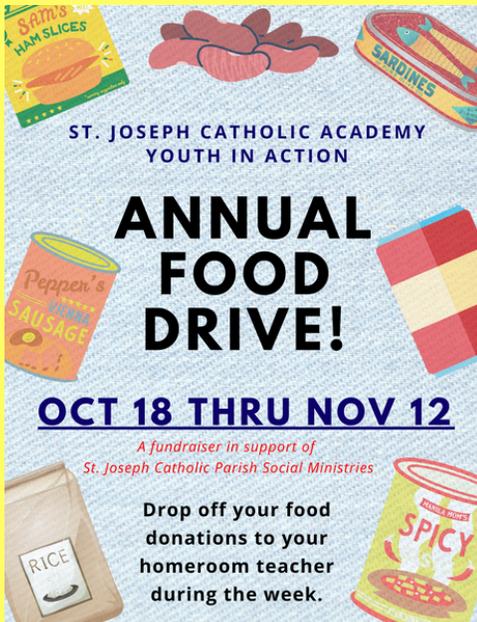


"The dog is cute" said Amare. "The book is very  
entertaining." says Jerecia

"Wish upon a stray is a very relatable book." says  
Jerecia. "Its very interesting, " - Dalaynee

# Business and Fundraising

## Annual Food Drive

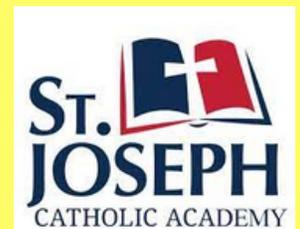


St. Joseph Catholic Academy is hosting a food drive starting on October 18th. It is a competition for each class to participate in. You can donate any canned foods to your homeroom teacher. The class who donates the most food to their classrooms will win a prize at the end of the competition. The food drive will last until November 12, 2021. These food items will be donated to St. Joseph's Social Ministries. If there are any questions about the food drive, please contact the ministry team at [ministryteam@sjc-academy.org](mailto:ministryteam@sjc-academy.org). Thank you for donating to those in need!



## Social Ministries

St. Joseph Catholic Academy has a Social Ministries team that is a part of Campus Ministry. This group has teamed up with the St. Joseph Social Ministries from the parish to help with those in need, such as putting away clothes and working in the food pantry. Our Social Ministries team has put a lot of thoughtfulness into their work and is very dedicated to what they do. We are hoping for all future social ministries teams to have the same fun, and devoted experience!



# Campus Sightings



# Campus Sightings Continued

