

March 7, 2024



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Greetings from Mrs. Gardiner

Dear St. Jude families,

Just a reminder that **Building Use/Technology/Security Fees** are due **Wednesday, March 13th**.

- Building Use Fee: \$235.00 **per family** (non-refundable)
- Security Fee: \$50 **per child** (non-refundable)
- Technology Fee: \$150 **per child** (non-refundable)

Payment of building use fee, technology fee, and security fee may be paid by personal check, E-Check, Cashier's Check or credit card. No cash is accepted.

All fees and/or tuition may be paid with one check per family. Please note child/children's names in the memo of the check.

To pay by E-check or Credit Card, please visit www.tuition.gulfbank.com

To view our Tuition and Fees Schedule, please click on this [link](#).

One in Christ,

Michelle Gardiner, M.Ed.

Upcoming Important Dates

March 10: Spring Forward! Daylight Savings Time begins

March 13: 2024-2025 Building Use/Technology/Security Fees Due

March 15: Junior Beta Club St. Patrick's Day Free Dress Fundraiser—Bring \$1 or more to help raise funds for St. Lillian Academy

March 20: 4th Grade STEM Day

March 22: Living Stations of the Cross

March 25: Winter Sports (Soccer, Boys Basketball), Cheerleaders/Cougarettes Picture Day

March 29-April 7: Spring Break—No School



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Beta Club Fundraiser



On **Friday, March 15th**, our Junior Beta Club is hosting a St. Patrick's Day Free Dress fundraiser for St. Lillian Academy.

St. Lillian Academy, a full-time school funded by professionals and parents, educates children who have communication and learning challenges. With individualized assessment and instruction, students gain skills and confidence needed for success!

Children St. Lillian Academy serves:

- Autism spectrum
- Down Syndrome
- Developmental Delay
- Speech & Language Delay
- Apraxia
- Chromosomal Abnormality
- Cerebral Palsy
- ADHD

There are two St. Jude families who are a part of St. Lillian Academy—the Mosconas and the Pizers. Please bring \$1 or more and wear green/St. Patrick's Day accessories with jeans or uniform bottoms on March 15!

Accelerated Reader 100 Points Club

Congratulations to the following students for making the Accelerated Reader 100 points club!

- **2nd Grade:** Eva Bourgeois
- **3rd Grade:** Brody Moses, Callen Gary, and Josh Evans
- **5th Grade:** Lorelai Jakob and Graham Prather
- **6th Grade:** Samuel Landry and Myles Maynard
- **7th Grade:** Eliza Brouillette, Pia Freese, Hudson Giroir, Annie Losavio, Jacob Nguyen, and Gustavo Ruiz de Chavez
- **8th Grade:** Collin Territo and Annemarie Vogt

Home and School Association



St. Jude Home and School Association is proud to announce **Sarah Losavio** as our **2024 Mother Seton recipient**. Sarah has been actively involved in St. Jude Home & School for the last 15 years. She has worked tirelessly behind the scenes contributing to both our Church and school community. In years past, Sarah has lead and participated in committees too numerous to mention, as well as taken on leadership roles in our Home & School organization. Most notably, she served us well as President during the uncertain time of Covid. Sarah is a devout Catholic who is always willing to help and spread the good news of the Lord. She is a selfless and caring leader in our school and church parish. She is an example to all parents how small acts of volunteerism can make a big difference. Thank you, Sarah, for your years of service to our St. Jude Community!

TEACHER APPRECIATION: Thank you to all of the 1st and 2nd grade parents who stocked the teachers' lounge with treats for the month of February! All of your donations were enjoyed and very much appreciated.

HELP NEEDED: Home and School is looking for a few volunteers to assist with Winter Sports picture day on Monday, March 25. Please contact Lindsey Gueho at lindsey_usry@yahoo.com for more information.

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News Around School



SJA 4th THROUGH 6th GRADE MATH TOURNAMENT: Our 4th through 6th grade students competed in the St. Joseph's Academy Math Tournament on March 1. Many of our students placed in multiple competitions. We also had some overall competition winners:

- **4th grade Overall 1st Place:** Thomas Jeider
- **4th grade Honorable Mention:** Jesse Champion
- **6th grade Overall 1st Place:** Samuel Landry

Congratulations for a successful tournament!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ESSAY FINALIST: Congratulations to eighth grader Camille M. on placing third in the 2024 Knights of Columbus Patriotic Essay Contest!

Her essay was one of 130 essays submitted from three Catholic Schools in Baton Rouge that went through three rounds of rigorous grading by 20 judges over a three-week period. Camille is pictured with Father Trey Nelson, Mr. Dave Goldsmith from the Knights of Columbus, and eighth grade English teacher Mrs. Mestayer. We are so proud of you!



Thank You, Deputy Pryor!

We would like to thank Deputy Pryor for over 5 years of service to St. Jude School. He is on to a new assignment, and we were happy to meet his replacement today - meet Deputy Johnson!

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Our 5th grade Kindness Club came together on March 6th to make Easter baskets for families in need for St. Vincent de Paul.

2024-2025 School Supplies

Order online **today!**

Dear parents,

We are happy to announce that we have chosen to sell prepackaged school supplies for the next school year through School Tool Box.

It doesn't get any easier than this!

- Put your zip code in the box at [SchoolToolBox.com](https://www.schooltoolbox.com)
- Find the school, then choose your child's new grade
- Each supply box matches your teacher's approved list
- Supplies are name-brand and guaranteed all school year

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School Name:

St. Jude the Apostle School
Baton Rouge, LA 70810

Ordering Available:

March 7th - May 27th

Pick-up date at school:

In the classroom on the
1st day of school



Notes



Scan here to view your school's
boxes and place your order today!



It is time to order **school supplies** for the 2024-2025 school year! Please visit the QR code above or click [here](https://www.schooltoolbox.com) to begin ordering your supplies through SchoolToolBox.com. If you order before May 27th, your child's school supplies will be delivered directly to our school.

If you wish to purchase your own school supplies, you may find the lists [here](https://www.schooltoolbox.com).

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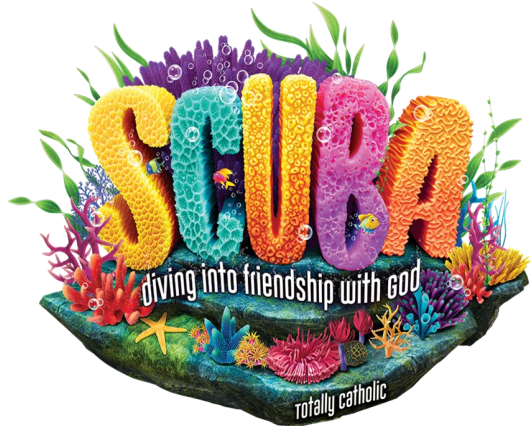
Church News

Vacation Bible School registration is open! Join us June 3rd-7th from 8:45-11:45 a.m. for **SCUBA: Diving into Friendship with God.**

Register your student [here](#).

If you would like to **volunteer**, please sign up [here](#).

If you have any questions about Vacation Bible School, please reach out to our VBS committee at stjudebrvbs@gmail.com



The 2024 St. Jude Parish and School Fair is April 19-21! As a reminder, there is no school on Friday, April 19.

GAMES! We are in need of parent and/or high school volunteers to help run our games in the Activity Center. Please sign up [here](#).

VOLUNTEERS! If you would like to help with anything else at the fair (Thursday set up, manning a food booth, or serving as security to name a few), please sign up [here](#)!



St. Jude the Apostle Parish presents "You're a Good Man: My God-Given Dignity and Purpose" - a Men's Retreat on Saturday, March 23rd, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Deacon Michael Parker and Mr. Scott Losavio will be presenting.

Cost is \$15 per person. Registration is due by March 18th.

Register [here](#).

The 2024 St. Jude Men's Club Lenten Fish Fry is coming soon! Every Friday from February 16 to March 22 shortly after 5 p.m., the Men's Club will have the option of fried catfish or fried shrimp with fries, salad and a roll. Meals cost \$10, and you may eat in or drive thru. Hope to see you all there!



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Athletics

GOLF TOURNAMENT

SAVE THE DATE

Friday, September 13, 2024

Santa Maria Golf Course

Save the Date for our St. Jude School Athletics Booster Club Golf Tournament this fall!

For those interested in becoming a sponsor or those that have interest in joining the Golf Tournament Planning Committee, please email sjscougarbc@gmail.com for more information.

Congratulations to **Jacque, Liam and Carter** for representing St. Jude School at the Middle School All-Star Game last weekend! They competed with other athletes from around Baton Rouge at McKinley High School.



COUGAR RUMBLE

BOYS 6TH GRADE BASKETBALL

Both of our 6th Grade Boys Basketball Teams made SJS proud this season!

The Varsity Team finished third in their final tournament of the season, hosted by Our Lady of Mercy. Their last game was an exciting 18-15 win over St. Aloysius!

The 6th/7th JV Basketball Team ended their season with a win over St. Thomas Moore, followed by a nail-biter loss to St. Aloysius to close out their last tournament.

The players improved over the season and the team even received compliments from other coaches about how respectful our Cougars were on the court. They demonstrated good Christian sportsmanship throughout the year!

Congratulations to both teams on their growth and success this season and we can't wait to see what you'll bring to the court next year!

COACHES AND PARENTS - WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! SHARE PHOTOS, TRAINING UPDATES, GAME SCHEDULES, SEASON PLAY, VICTORIES, ETC. WE WANT TO SHARE ALL THE GOOD NEWS, EXCITING HAPPENINGS, UPCOMING EVENTS, AND ATHLETICS CELEBRATIONS HERE. PLEASE EMAIL PHOTOS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS TO [KATE@KBCOOKWEDDINGS.COM](mailto:kate@kbcocookweddings.com). INFORMATION WILL BE COMPILED AND SHARED VIA THE COUGAR.

Don't forget to read the March edition of the **Cougar Rumble!**

2024 COUGAR FOOTBALL COMBINE

SJS GRADES 2 - 7

AFTER SCHOOL 3:15-5:30 PM • ST. JUDE SCHOOL GYM

FREE

Come out and test your speed, skills, meet the Coaches and have fun with friends!

MARCH 15 & 22

Register Now

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