

# WHAT'S NEW AT ST. JAMES

FROM THE DESK OF MS. SAUNDERS

## SEPTEMBER IS THE MONTH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

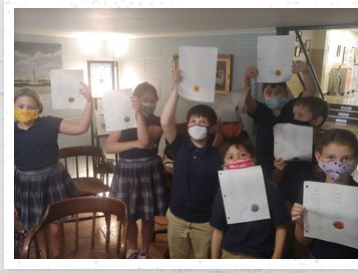
Pray for us O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ, Amen.

## WE MADE IT TO SEPTEMBER!

Happy Friday, all! Praise God, we have officially survived our first full week of school. I can't tell you what a joy it has been to see all the smiling faces in the halls. The past week and a half have been challenging but so successful. I am so pleased to see how flexible all of you parents, teachers, and kids have been. I am continually reminded what a joy it is to serve in such a wonderful school.

Please continue to fill out the temperature log each day and return to school with your child. The diocese has asked us to monitor temps each day. The logs will allow us to have a record of this. We are also having a bit of trouble with a few kiddos (not very many though) forgetting their masks. We have already depleted the supply of extras that we had, so we may have to start contacting parents to bring those for kids who don't have them. So many extra things to remember this year! Thank you so much for your patience and all of your help! We are truly blessed, here at St. James

Ms. Saunders



## MASS AT ST. JAMES

Thankfully, we have been able to return to mass this year. Weekday Mass began for students last Thursday, and we had our first All-School mass this past Wednesday. The kids were so well-behaved! I was proud of them! The teachers did a great job making sure the kids were kept in their cohort groups and distanced. Due to distancing requirements this year, we are extremely short of extra space on All-School Mass days. As a result, we are asking parents and other family members who would like to attend mass with students, to attend on the appropriate Week Day Mass. Here is the schedule:

Monday: 5th and 8th Grades

Tuesday: 4th and 7th Grades

Thursday: 6th Grade

Friday: 3rd Grade

We would love to see you there! Please join us!

## GRANDPARENTS DAY

On a sad note, we will be unable to celebrate Grandparents Day on September 11 at St. James this year. Each class will instead participate in an activity designed to honor and celebrate their grandparents. We will still observe the early out that day, since it was already scheduled.

## MSHSAA VOLLEYBALL

Our first 7th and 8th grade volleyball games are scheduled to be held on September 10 at East Buchanan. Our first home volleyball game is on September 15 against Riverside. Due to Covid restrictions, this year only parents of players will be allowed to attend home games. All attendees must wear a mask and will have their temperatures taken upon arrival. We are sorry for any inconvenience.

# ST. JAMES SHOP

We are excited to announce that we now have our own online shop. If you need a quarter zip sweatshirt or a dri-fit pullover, you can purchase them online. We will add items periodically.

[https://stores.inksoft.com/st\\_james\\_stjoseph/shop/home](https://stores.inksoft.com/st_james_stjoseph/shop/home)

## UPCOMING DATES FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

7th and 8th Grade Volleyball @ East Buchanan: September 10

Early Out: September 11

Pay for Jeans Day: September 14

Home 7th and 8th Grade Volleyball vs Riverside: September 15

Benchmark Testing Window (Math and English/Language Arts): September 14-18

School Pictures: September 16

7th and 8th Grade Volleyball @ Smithville: September 17

7th and 8th Grade Volleyball Tournament @ Mid-Buch: September 19

Home 7th and 8th Grade Volleyball vs St Gregorys: September 22

Home 7th and 8th Grade Volleyball vs Mid-Buch: September 24

Home 7th and 8th Grade Volleyball vs West Platte: September 29

Home 7th and 8th Grade Volleyball vs St. Joe Christian: October 1

## FOR THE COMING MONTH

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.





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*"And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."*

John 8:32

Saint James, pray for us.

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