



# ST. JOSEPH

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, NELSON

EDUCATING THROUGH FAITH....EXCELLING IN ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

November 6, 2023

Dear St. Joseph School Families,

We have been blessed to have had another warm October, and now the rain and cool air has arrived. We remind students and families to dress for the weather. We will be asking students to wear coats outside, and once the snow arrives, they will be asked to have boots and hat or hood outside during recess.

The virtue for November is Peace. St. Joseph students and staff work hard to be peacemakers. Next week we are asking all parents, students and staff to review our school "Code of Respectful Behaviour" which is attached to this email. The final signing page will be sent home, and I ask it to be signed by students and parents, and for it to be returned by Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup>. During November we also focus on ways to be peacemakers and prevent bullying. Anti-Bullying Week is Nov.13-17<sup>th</sup>. What a great opportunity to practice peace, empathy, and kindness every day.

I would like to thank families for coming to the school for Student/Parent/Teacher Interviews in October. Thank you for taking the time to meet with your child(ren)'s teacher(s). Most recently, teachers have been working diligently on the first term report cards and overviews. A report card gives parents and students a solid idea of our curriculum goals, and how each student is progressing. Report Cards will be sent home on November 30<sup>th</sup>.

Last month we enjoyed our Fire Prevention Week, the Thanksgiving Food Drive & weekend, our Grade 4 Good News Mass, Pie making with the CWL, WildSafeBC, Interviews, School Photos, various classroom trips around town, Cross Country Running events, our Anything is Possible Kickoff, and Halloween.

This month we look forward to Volleyball games, our Grade 3 Remembrance Day Mass, Remembrance Day activities, Anything is Possible Christmas song Preparation, our PSG Pasta Dinner, Math Puzzles, Anti-Bullying Week, Advent, Report Cards. Please feel free to join us in person or virtually for our monthly assemblies and school masses through our St. Joseph Parent Portal:

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/StJosephSchoolParentPortal>.

Please feel free to contact me at [sjnprincipal@cisnd.ca](mailto:sjnprincipal@cisnd.ca) if you have any concerns or questions or call the school at 250-352-3041.

Faithfully,

Michael Carere



**Remembrance Day**  
Lest We Forget

# October Christian Leaders



Gr K – Julia Goretzki  
Gr 1 – Milo McLean  
Gr 2 – Arlyn Mathai  
Gr 3 – Chloe Therrien  
Gr 4 – Ben Holowaychuk  
Gr 5 – Mazzi Richards  
Gr 6 – Mahala Rees  
Gr 7/8 – Madelynn Goretzki  
Gr 8/9 – Melina Burgener





## St. Joseph Parent Support Group (PSG)

St. Joseph School is proud to have a strong and supportive parent organization. Parents are requested and encouraged to be active members of the PSG. The PSG is greatly involved in fund raising activities and has enjoyed tremendous success in this area. Many of these activities not only raise much needed funds, but brings together students, teachers, parents, family, friends, and parishioners developing our school community and enhancing our whole Christian community. Please join our PSG Meeting at the school on the last Monday of the month at 6pm.

Co-Chairs – Danelle Rees & Tara Kenny  
Treasure – Tracy Mace  
Secretary – Samantha Zaytsoff  
Fundraising Coordinator – Laine Ferguson & Milenia Bak

Volunteer Coordinator – Jennifer Gorsline & Melanie Ward  
Hot Lunch Coordinator – Shauna Downey & Becky Lauriente

## St. Joseph School Council Executive and Members

The School Council is responsible for the financing of the school and the establishment of policies and procedures for the efficient and safe management of our school. Meetings of the School Council are held each month. For more information about council, please visit the CISND website ([www.cisnd.ca](http://www.cisnd.ca)).

Brie McWade – Council Co-Chair  
Danielle Sutherland - Council Co-Chair  
Chanel Burgener - Treasurer  
Leanna Andrews – Secretary  
Brian Renwick – Maintenance Chair

Member – Martina Mejeba  
Member – Sergio Chavarri  
Member – Tina Geisler  
Member – Vince Vulcano  
Pastor – Father Jojo

## Fire Prevention



## Food Drive



## EMAIL MONEY TRANSFERS

Tuition and Supplies – [etransfer.sjn@cisnd.ca](mailto:etransfer.sjn@cisnd.ca)  
Joeys Out of School – [etransfer.joeys@cisnd.ca](mailto:etransfer.joeys@cisnd.ca)  
Activities/Classroom fundraisers – [ajn.activities@cisnd.ca](mailto:ajn.activities@cisnd.ca)  
PSG Payments - [etransfersjnelsonpsg@gmail.com](mailto:etransfersjnelsonpsg@gmail.com)



# Cross Country Running & Run Club



## November Fundraising

**HOT LUNCHES** — please order online: [www.stjosephnelson.hotlunches.net](http://www.stjosephnelson.hotlunches.net)

- Monday – Popcorn
- Tuesdays - Thor's Pizza
- Wednesdays – Burritos & Muffin Sales
- Thursdays – Various Great Hot Lunches
- Fridays – Taco Salad

**Oso Negro** - coming soon – due Dec 3

**Cash Calendar Raffle** – coming soon – due Nov 28<sup>th</sup>

**Purdy's Orders** – due November 24<sup>th</sup>

**Poinsettia Orders** - November 29<sup>th</sup>

**Christmas Art Cards** - \$15 per 10 pack at the office

**\*\*Parents, if you are available to help with the above Fundraisers, please contact the office or the PSG.**







\$510 for Holy Childhood



HAPPY  
HALLOWEEN





## Flu and Cold Season has arrived!

- Please remind your child to wash their hands on a regular basis.
- If your child is sick, please keep them home.
- If a child becomes sick at school, parents will be called to take them home.
- Children will be asked to stay home until symptoms have improved, & they feel well enough to participate in all school-related activities.
- Teachers will provide missed schoolwork with adequate notification from parents.

**Please also send a box of Kleenex with your child to use.**

### Cathedral of Mary Immaculate

*Everyone is welcome to Weekend Mass*

Mass times:

Saturday @ 5:00 pm, Sunday 8:30 am & 10:30 am

St. Joseph School Mass & Knights of Columbus Breakfast  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month at 10:30am

### Pastoral Staff

Bishop Gregory Bittman, OFM Cap.

Father Jojo Augustine, Rector

For Baptisms or Communions please contact the cathedral directly.

250-352-7131

<http://catholiccathedralnelson.ca/>



## Joey's Out of School Care

Teresa Segstro – Manager (250-352-3041)

[joeys.childcare@cisnd.ca](mailto:joeys.childcare@cisnd.ca)

Joey's provides a fun after school program for students who need daycare between **3:00—5:30pm** on school days and all day for Pro D days.

Booking sheets are available must be completed & received before the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month. New registrations are always welcome. For more information, visit: <https://www.stjosephnelson.ca/out-of-school-care.php>

