St. Joseph Marquette Catholic School's

Wednesday Letter

October 14, 2026

Good afternoon,

I am excited to announce that the Prayer Garden is complete! The Mary statue was placed Monday morning. The students and staff laid the rock beads for the Rosary yesterday. The final touches to the water feature were completed on Tuesday afternoon. We held a beautiful multi-language Rosary in the Prayer Garden on Tuesday evening with Bishop Joseph Tyson offering a blessing upon the garden.

QUESTIONS ABOUT VOLUNTEER HOURS, FUNDRAISERS OR EVENTS? The Parent Board would like to make it easy for families to understand how volunteer hours, fundraisers, and school events work. Please let us know which topics you'd like more information on by completing the form at this link https://tinyurl.com/asktheparentboard or QR code.

PICTURE RE-TAKES are scheduled for Wednesday, October 21st from 8:30 to 9:30am. If you wish to have picture retakes, you will need to return your picture packet to the photographer on the 21st. If your child missed picture day, they will have their picture taken on the 21st as well. Students having retakes or pictures for the first time may wear free dress on the 21st. Parents who would like to order may still do so, contact Sarah Feusner for instructions.

RAFFLE INFORMATION

Ticket collections have brought in $35,350 after Tuesday's turn in day! The Raffle Committee would like to encourage families to continue to bring your sold tickets and money on Tuesday and Friday morning collection days. It is super helpful to the Committee to reconcile and track progress of the raffle.

WEEKLY INCENTIVE NEWS:

- **Week of October 5th: $10 GIFT CARDS** Winners were drawn on Thursday last week. Gift cards are enclosed in these students' Wednesday Folder: Hattie Vetter, Layla Faria, Levi Gonzalez, Jake Mendez, Samuel Moreno, Jaxtyn Doolin, Imari Torres-Allen, Ann Schlittenhart, Wendy Martinez, and Steve Metz
- **Week of October 12th: PRANK THE PRINCIPAL** Winners will be drawn on Friday the 16th!

TURN IN DAYS are on Tuesdays and Fridays from 7:30 to 8:15am at MJC and in the cafeteria. We encourage families to turn in all sold tickets and money so we can track the total tickets sold. This also helps families not to lose the sold tickets/money, and gives students a chance to add their name to the weekly drawing cans.

ADDITIONAL TICKETS: Contact Sarah at sfeusner@sjmms.org or stop by her office to check out more tickets.

- Any additional books sold beyond the required 4 books per child, will earn a ½ of a volunteer hour – the more you sell the more hours you will earn. These hours will be calculated at the conclusion of the raffle season.

OCTOBER RAFFLE SCHEDULE: The updated October schedule is enclosed. All spots are full.

NOVEMBER RAFFLE SCHEDULE: Please find the new November Raffle schedule enclosed.

- Contact Lindsey Roy at (509)952-6247 to request your spot(s).

Reminders for families that sign up to sell tickets at raffle locations!

- Check out extra tickets in Mrs. Feusner's office prior to your shift. We recommend arriving at your shift with a minimum of 20 tickets (4 books). If you have any full books that are unsold after your shift that you do not wish to sell, they can be turned in during one of the morning collection times.
- Emergency tickets will be available onsite but should only be accessed after you have sold the tickets you bring with you. If you need an emergency ticket pack, you must call or text Paige Livingston at 509-985-7243 to alert her, we must track each ticket book being checked out. Once an emergency ticket pack is checked out, all tickets in that package become your responsibility, please do not leave any unsold ticket books behind.

STAFF MEMBER OF THE WEEK: Congratulations to **Kaitlyn Vaughn** on being recognized this week!

Trunk or Treat Information!

Thanks to the overwhelming support from our school community, all 30 Trunk or Treat spots filled last week! After a little parking lot math with Mr. Pleger, we're excited to announce that we are adding **8 additional spots** for families who have not already signed up. If you are interested in decorating a trunk, don't wait as spots will fill quickly! **See the updated Trunk or Treat flyer for details and the sign-up link!**
Interested in donating candy for the Truck or Treat, see the back of the enclosed flyer for new donation guidelines. Contact **Johanna Thielen (253-740-6351)** with questions.

Fresh Catch News!

THANK YOU, ST. JOSEPH MARQUETTE COMMUNITY!
Fresh Catch is a community effort, and it's through your effort and involvement that determines the overall success of the event. With that in mind, please know that all proceeds from Fresh Catch contribute directly to reducing tuition costs for all families! Fresh Catch proceeds account for more than half of the funds raised through all our fundraisers. We all win through our collective action!

We Still Need: Gift Cards, Dessert Dash and Silent Auction Submissions, Sponsorships, Table and Ticket Purchases, and Volunteers to Work the Event.

Attend the Event! Full tables and individual tickets are on sale! Use this QR code to purchase.
The Fresh Catch committee is offering a cool incentive – anyone who purchases a table and purchases a table for the school staff will get their table upgraded to VIP status!

Dessert Dash: There are still openings available! Look for the Dessert Dash sign up form enclosed with the email attachments or on Option C in the file library. Complete and return to the St. Joe's office by 10/16.

BEEF RAFFLE: Raffle tickets are on sale now! Get your tickets early!
See Sarah in the Marquette office or use this QR code.

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday the 15th	Finance Committee meeting at 5:30pm in the Marquette Library
	School Commission meeting at 7:00pm in the Marquette Library
Friday the 16th	Raffle collection day 7:30 to 8:15am
	SCHOOL LITURGY at 8:30am (2nd grade)
Monday the 19th	Cross Country travels to West Valley for their 4:00pm meet
Tuesday the 20th	Raffle collection day from 7:30 to 8:15am
	PreK/8th grade Peace Partners to Pecks Canyon pumpkin patch – 9:00 to 11:00
	ADORATION at 10:10am
Wednesday the 21st	Picture Re-Take Day - 8:30 to 9:30am
	1st grade to Zirkle Fruit – 8:45 to 10:30am
Thursday the 22nd	8th graders visit La Salle for the day
Friday the 23rd	**PINK OUT DAY** for all students and staff
	Raffle collection day from 7:30 to 8:15am
	SCHOOL LITURGY at 8:30am (3rd grade)
	Middle School Dance in the cafeteria from 6 to 8pm
Monday the 26th	Boys' Basketball practice begins for our middle school students (grades 6 to 8)
Tuesday the 27th	ROSARY at 2:20 in St. Joseph Church (2nd grade)
	Raffle Collection Day – 7:30 to 8:15am
Thursday the 29th	Drama Performance at 6:00pm in the auditorium – middle drama students to perform
Friday the 30th	Raffle Collection Day – 7:30 to 8:15am
	SCHOOL LITURGY at 8:30am (6th grade)



Blessings.
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