Parents: At a Glance

**Final Exams**, June 1-2, 8 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

**Saturday School**, June 3 (date change), 7:30-11:30 a.m.

**Graduation Portraits** through Lifetouch (no obligation to buy),
Tuesday, June 2, from 4:30-5:30 p.m., auditorium

**Walk of the Roses**, Tuesday, June 2 at 6:30 p.m.

**Commencement**, Tuesday, June 2, at 7 p.m., (tickets only), Our Lady of Angels Church

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**Tree Night, Baccalaureate Mass Start**

**Good-byes for the Class of 2015**

As family and friends watched, the 168 members of the Class of 2015 on Thursday celebrated Tree Night and the Baccalaureate Mass, following in the footsteps of thousands of SJA women before them.

The evening began with graduates processing down the front steps of the Academy to the sounds of "Quintet for Clarinet and Strings in A" by Mozart. Standing before a packed crowd of family and friends, President Mary Ann Corrigan-Davis ’71 welcomed the guests and Sisters Kathleen Carey, CSJ ’49 and Madeline Lammermeier, CSJ ’44, the Class of 2015 Prayer and Presence Partners, provided the opening prayer.

Senior Samantha Velasco read from "Oh, The Places You'll Go!" by Dr. Seuss. A perennial favorite, Dr. Seuss's wonderfully wise words address life’s ups and downs, while encouraging readers to find the success that lies within.

The Senior Leadership Team of Halle Armstrong, Grace Hendryx, Mary McKenna and Sarah Reardon performed the ceremonial planting of the class tree, symbolizing that the soon-to-be alumnae will always have roots at SJA. The ceremony ended with the singing of the Alma Mater on the front steps.

After the students removed their caps and gowns, the Baccalaureate Mass followed in The Academy Center. Presider was the Rev. Thomas G. Fanta, uncle of senior Katherine Fanta. Also participating were Mr.
Student Spotlight

Name: Freshman Claire Malec

Fun Facts: Claire was recently awarded a $24,000 scholarship for the College of Wooster through the organization Power of the Pen.

"I was thrilled. Last Friday, I went to the College of Wooster and accepted the award, which was called 'Promising Young Talent.' I've always had a passion for the arts, especially music and writing, so I am eternally grateful for this scholarship."

In addition to writing in her spare time, Claire volunteers as a tutor at Westpark Community Middle School, and also ushers at SJA plays and musicals. Her favorite subject is English "because it's all about the reader's interpretation and personal connection to the story."

Congratulations, Claire!

College Corner

Terence and Mrs. Laura Fallon Fibbi '77, parents of Meghan '05, Kathleen '07, Maura '09, Bridget '12 and Clare '15.

Enjoy the evening's events in the Facebook album.

Senior Farewell Mass/Alumnae Induction Held Today; Walk of the Roses, Commencement are Next Week

The days leading up to commencement on Tuesday, June 2, have been filled with activities and events, including this week’s Tree Night and Honors Convocation, as well as the Senior Farewell Mass and Alumnae Induction today (see photos). At the Honors Convocation, Cari Milowicki '15 was honored with the Phi Beta Kappa award and named class Salutatorian. Mary McKenna was named Valedictorian. A special award and the announcement of the start of an endowed scholarship surprised Alumnae Director Mary Ann Fischer '66, who is retiring this year after 45 years of service to Saint Joseph Academy - the longest tenure in SJA history! See the photos from the honors ceremony here.

Next week's activities include the Senior Brunch on Monday, June 1, the Walk of the Roses at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 2, and Commencement (tickets only) at 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Angels Church. Congratulations, Class of 2015!

Jennifer Easley Named Admission Director

Ms. Jennifer Easley is the new SJA Director of Admission, arriving this month at the Academy after six years at John Carroll University, where she served as the Associate Director of Enrollment. She also was an Admission Counselor at Xavier University for three years previously.

Ms. Easley earned her undergraduate degree at Xavier with a double major in Spanish and Communications. She went on to earn a Master of Education in Human Resource Development at Xavier, and also earned a Master of Education in School Administration from John Carroll. A Cleveland native, Jennifer graduated from Euclid High School.
"Jennifer's impressive education, nine years of experience in college admissions at two Jesuit universities, and enthusiasm for building relationships with students and their families make her the ideal person for this important position at SJA," shared President Mary Ann Corrigan-Davis '71.

"I am truly excited and eager to work at Saint Joseph Academy," shared Ms. Easley. "I have had the opportunity of getting to know and loving SJA back when I was an admission counselor at Xavier University. I always loved recruiting the talented young ladies who I saw grow into phenomenal young women at Xavier!"

SJA President Mary Ann Corrigan-Davis '71, Distinguished Alumna Natalie Leek-Nelson '85 Are Named Cleveland 'Women of Note'

Two SJA women who are making a difference in the business world have been named as Crain's Cleveland Business 2015 "Women of Note." The honorees of this annual award represent Northeast Ohio's outstanding female business leaders who bring passion, dedication and strength to our region's professional landscape. Mary Ann Corrigan-Davis '71 blazed a trail of "firsts" in her career, such as being the first female Senior Vice President at American Greetings Corp. and the first and current President of SJA. She will be honored alongside Natalie Leek-Nelson '85, the CEO and President of Providence House, at a special awards banquet on July 23, 2015. They are among 15 women receiving the honor this year.

For ticket information to attend the "Women of Note" luncheon, as well as an accompanying leadership summit, please click [here](http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs137/1111082143500/archive/1121183745181.html). The event is being held at Cleveland Convention Center, 300 Lakeside Ave E, starting at 7 a.m. and lasting until 2 p.m.

Students, Faculty and Staff Receive Sweet Treat in Gratitude for a Great Birthday Year!

Students, faculty and staff started this busy week with a sweet treat on
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Tuesday - ice cream from two East Coast Custard food trucks! The ice cream was a thank you for all their hard work and dedication this school year. The year was extra special for all in that it was the occasion of SJA’s 125th birthday! Enjoy some pictures from the day.

**Don't Miss Out! June 30 Is the Deadline to Sign Up for 2016 Trip to London, York, Edinburgh**

Students, don't let this opportunity pass by! June 30 is the deadline to participate in the trip to London, York and Edinburgh, being planned for March 22-April 1, 2016. Destinations on the trip include Buckingham Palace, Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Stonehenge, Bath, the Edinburgh City Walk, Glencoe, Loch Ness and Glasgow. The trip is being chaperoned by Dean of Women Marie Ciolek and Visual and Performing Arts Department Chairwoman Beth Pleban. For more information on the trip, please click here.

A big "Thank You!" to all the friends of SJA who participated this Memorial Day in the 3rd Annual "Earn Your Spots Jaguar 5K/1 Mile Walk." Nearly 300 people ran or walked to help the SJA Scholarship Fund. The top female runner was Alessia Saul '14, home from freshman year at Miami University. Please click here to enjoy pictures from this fun event.

**SJA Announces New Lacrosse Program for 2015-16 Academic Year**

SJA is pleased to announce that the school will begin a lacrosse program in the spring of 2016. The program will begin as a club sport with the goal of transitioning into a varsity sport in 2017. The Ohio High School Athletic Association has stated that girls lacrosse could become an OHSAA-sanctioned sport in the spring of 2017.

**SPORTS**

**Rugby - Ready for State Title!**

The Jaguar rugby team will go for its fifth state title in the last six seasons on Saturday at 5:15 p.m. against Hudson High School. The game will be played at the Hudson High School stadium. The Jaguars earned the right to compete for the title thanks to a 75-0 win over Medina Highland in the state semifinals on Saturday, May 23.
SJA is currently ranked 6th in the nation in high school girls rugby. Good luck, Jaguars!

**Crew - JV is #6 in Nation!**
Crew finished its spring season in impressive fashion this past weekend at the National Scholastic Rowing Association Championships held in Camden, NJ. SJA sent two boats and 20 athletes to compete in the championships. The freshman 8+ boat had a strong showing in their first heat, but did not advance to the next round. The JV8+ boat made SJA rowing history however as they advanced through two rounds into the Grand Final race, where they finished in 6th place. It marked the first time in school history that an SJA boat competed in the grand final race, which means that the JV8+ was the 6th fastest boat in the country this year! Congratulations to all on a great season and a bright future for SJA rowing!

**Track & Field - District Champs!**
For the fourth consecutive year, the SJA Track and Field team won a OHSAA District title, this year winning it at the Brunswick district. Despite the fact SJA had lost convincingly to Brunswick three separate times this spring, the Jaguars saved their best for the most important meet of the season. Most athletes set personal bests and a handful of school records were set. In all, SJA qualified athletes to the Amherst regional in 15 of 17 possible events. These athletes include:

**Individual District Champions:** Brittany Morrison '15 (shot put & discus); Jenea Adams '15 (100 meter dash); Kye Williams '16 (long jump & high jump).

**Regional Qualifiers:** Kye Williams '16 (100 hurdles); Monica Hahn '16 (300 hurdles); Monica Hahn '16, Lauren Zawie '17, Sarah Stottner '15, Jenea Adams '15, (4 x 200 relay); Monica Hahn '16, Lauren Zawie '17, Kye Williams '16, Jenea Adams '15 (4 x 100 relay); Bridget Roche '15 (high jump & long jump); Maggie Wagner '18 (1600 meter run & 800 meter run); Sydney Seymour '18 (3200 meter run and 1600 meter run); Morgan Schauer '17; (discus); Sydney Seymour ‘18, Katherine Pellegrino ‘17, Olivia Battistoni ‘17, Maggie Wagner ‘18, (4 x 800 relay); Katherine Pellegrino ‘17, Lauren Zawie ‘17, Maggie Wagner ‘18, Bridget Roche ‘15, (4 x 400 relay).

These Jaguars competed at the regional meet on Wednesday and will again compete tonight at Amherst High School. Congratulations and Go Jaguars!

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