**34 Seniors Commissioned Tuesday as Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist**

On Tuesday, October 15, students, faculty and staff gathered in The Academy Center to celebrate the commissioning of 34 seniors as Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. The students can now distribute Communion at all school Masses, as well as in their home parishes. The commissioning was held on Founders’ Day, celebrating the founding of the Congregation of St. Joseph in Le Puy, France in 1650.

Congratulations to the following students:
- Catherine Carey, Samantha Caruso-Taylor, Claudia Chadwell, Rachel Chokan, Ashley DiMarco, Emily Ernst, Christina Ferra, Molly Gallagher, Stephanie Gorsek, Annie Grove, Halli Grunder, Sara Hurley, Brooke Kahl, Gabrielle Leon, Ciara McGlynn, Sarah McMahon, Nicole McManamon, Caroline Mills, Juliana Minich, Molly Moore, Clare Panek, Emily Pellegrino, Jennifer Polito, Emily Rouse, Rebecca Sedlak, Dana Sirchen, Hannah A. Smith, Erin Stefancin, Breanna Strasser, Alesha Vovk, Katherine Waters, Bethany Weisenseel, Madeline Zimmerman and Pasqualina Zindroski.

Click [here](http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs137/1111082143500/archive/1115272679392.html) to see a Facebook gallery of the commissioning!

**Students Stress Their Belief in Sanctity of Life at Downtown Mass, Rally**

Members of the Catholic Schools for Peace and Justice Club traveled downtown last week to attend Mass at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist and march to Public Square in support of October "Respect Life" month.
Middle school students participate in a robotics class at Saint Joseph Academy during last week’s ‘Visit Day.”

Unity Club Members Examine Issues of Diversity, Gender at Two-day Retreat

Three SJA Unity Club members spent two nights last week with about 120 other students from throughout Northeast Ohio at Camp Wise, participating in in-depth conversations about race, gender, sexual orientation, ability and other aspects of diversity. Students participating were sophomores Molly Mertus, Kendra Golak and Idecha Hunter. They were accompanied by Math teacher Suzanne Smiley-Rozic, Unity Club moderator.

The first night, students participated in a skit teaching mediation skills. That activity was followed by a small group discussion on what they had learned. On Friday, they worked with core groups in a team building "low ropes" course, created a collective project about issues such as street harassment and body image. The group finished their busy day Friday with a talent show, dance and bonfire.

This Week’s Winners Announced; October 22 Is Last Jaguar Jackpot

Modern Millie,” 7 p.m. on Fridays, Saturdays; 2 p.m. on Sundays. Cost: $12 for reserved seats, $10 general admission, $5 students and seniors.

Parent Events:

October 20
"Terrace Tailgate" party at 3:30 p.m. on the Howley Terrace. Adults only, please. All are welcome! Come get involved!

October 23
This is the last of two days available for Parent-Teacher conferences. On this day, conference times are available from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Meetings are by appointment only. Questions? Please contact Dean of Women Marie Ciolek at mciollek@sja1890.org.

The all-school test day is being held on this date. For more information, please click here. Parents, special arrangements may have to be made for transportation.

November 4
Picture retake/senior picture day. 8 a.m.-3 p.m. For all students wanting pictures retaken or who missed original picture day, and seniors who are NOT going to Woodard studios for Senior Portraits. This would be a last chance to get a mandatory and free Woodard senior portrait for yearbook.

Admissions Events:
October 25
Halloween at the Academy. 2nd-5th grade girls, 7-8:30 p.m. Click here for more information.

October 27
Fall Open House, 1-4 p.m., at the school. RSVPs are recommended for prospective students at www.sja1890.org/openhouse. All are welcome!
Career

Who: Erica Uhler '14

What: Last week, Erica was part of a group of students attending a GE Women in STEM field trip to the Cleveland Botanical Gardens. "Junior year, I decided that chemical engineering would be a good major for me since it combines math (which I have always loved) and chemistry. I would also like an environmental minor, since being green is a passion of mine."

Fun Facts: Erica is a Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Medalist, awarded to promising secondary school students who have distinguished themselves in mathematics and science. "I went to Rensselaer's Medalist Open House during the first weekend of September. RPI is my first choice for colleges. My other choices are Ohio University and the University of Rhode Island."

Deadline

The following are winners from the latest Jaguar Jackpot raffle drawing:

Hendryx Family sold by Grace Hendryx - Ticket # 10570
Jennifer Filkins sold by August Malobabic - Ticket # 25933
Jeremy Wilson sold by Alexus Lopez - Ticket # 25874
D. LaCavera sold by Christina LaCavera - Ticket # 25765

Each winner will receive $500 and each student seller will receive $50. These payments will be made by the Finance Office next week. Congratulations to our sellers and winners!

To participate in the Grand Prize Jaguar Jackpot drawing on October 25, please make sure to bring your tickets and money by Tuesday, October 22, to the Finance Office in order to be included.

All tickets and money for the raffle should be returned to the Finance Office, Room 126, from 7:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Make sure to wait for a receipt!

Questions? Call or email Mrs. Beverly LaPolla at 216.251.6788 x252 or blapolla@sja1890.org.

October 27 Is Our Fall Open House

Spread the news that Sunday, October 27, is the Saint Joseph Academy Fall Open House! The open house is being held from 1-4 p.m. and prospective Jaguars and their families will be treated to tours by current Saint Joseph Academy students.

Additionally, tourgoers will have the opportunity to attend an academic session led by Principal Jeff Sutliff. Members of the faculty, athletic coaches and administration will be available for questions.

In order to be matched up with a student tour guide with similar interests, we recommend that prospective students sign up in advance at www.sja1890.org/openhouse.

Go Jaguars!

SPORTS

Soccer

On Monday, September 30, Varsity lost 9-1 against Rocky River High School. Senior Catherine Carey scored the only Varsity goal. JV lost 3-0.

On Wednesday, October 2, JV won 6-0 against Padua High School.

On Saturday, October 5, Varsity won 6-3 against North Ridgeville at Saint Ignatius, where they also celebrated Senior Night, honoring Caroline Becker, Nicole Rave, Courtney Kuntz, Ali DeCrane, Mackenzie Dorin and Catherine Carey. JV lost 0-2.

Volleyball

Volleyball wrapped up its regular season this past week. Varsity went 2-2 for the week, losing to Amherst and Gahanna Lincoln high schools. The team beat Big Walnut 25-20, 25-22 and Licking Heights 25-14, 25-12. Mary Beth Keck ’15 led with 23 kills. Emily Keller ’15 had 56 assists and Emily Lauch ’14 had 36 digs for the week.

Varsity will play in the Sectional Finals at 2:15 p.m. on Saturday, October 19, against the winner of the Rocky River vs. Lincoln West match-up. The match is at Strongsville High School.

Varsity Season: 7-15.

JV Season: 18-3.
Freshman finished up the final week of the season going 2-2. On Tuesday, October 8, they lost to Amherst. On Saturday, October 12, the team placed third at the Strongsville Invitational, beating Valley Forge 25-18, 25-12, losing to North Royalton, and beating Wadsworth 25-17, 20-25, 25-15.

Freshman Season: 15-7.

Golf
The golf season is complete.

Tennis
The tennis season is complete.

Cross Country
The Cross Country team did not compete this week.

Fall Sports Banquet
The Fall Sports Banquet is at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 5, at Brennan's Party Center on Triskett Road in Cleveland. RSVPs are due on Tuesday, October 22. The form can be found here.