Parents, Do You Know the Signs of Opioid Addiction?

1,095 opioid-related deaths occurred in Northeast Ohio in 2016, making the opioid epidemic the public health crisis of our time.

To highlight and combat this serious issue, join Saint Joseph Academy and Cleveland Clinic Fairview Hospital for a panel discussion entitled "Heroin, Fentanyl and Carfentanil: The Triple Threat on Our Doorstep." The event will take place on Thursday, September 21 at Saint Joseph Academy.

A resource fair will be held from 5-6 p.m. and the panel discussion will begin at 6 p.m. The event is free and open to the public. All are welcome. A wellness credit will be offered to students that attend. Attendees must register here.
Sophomore Class Field Trip, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Wednesday, September 27
Upperclass Induction Ceremony, Academy Center, 1:30-3 p.m.

Friday, September 29
Freshman Welcome

Class of 2019 College Bus Tour, 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Students Meet New Bishop Perez

Last weekend, Saint Joseph Academy students assisted members of the L’Arche community (adults with developmental disabilities) on Saturday, September 9 for the Faith & Light Pilgrimage of Compassion at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine in Euclid. The day concluded with Mass with our new Bishop Nelson J. Perez.

Bishop Perez shared that he was touched by the giant welcome card he received that was signed by hundreds of students. He asked to come to celebrate Mass, share lunch with some students and tour the Academy.

On Monday, September 18, Bishop Perez will celebrate Mass and commission 35 Seniors as Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist.

We are excited to welcome him to the Saint Joseph Academy community!

Honors Spanish III Students Support Clinic in Dominican Republic

To learn more about their healthcare unit, students in Honors Spanish III had the opportunity to listen to speaker and nurse Diane Graham and the work she has done with Mission Possible, a network of churches in Northeast Ohio and community members that send missionaries to the Dominican Republic to improve the quality of life for those on the fringes of society in the Dominican Republic. Saint Joseph Academy has partnered with Mission Possible on mission trips the summer of 2015 and 2017.

Diane Graham shared that their medical teams see 150-200 people daily at their clinic, where they treat a variety of medical conditions. Spanish teacher and Department Chair Mrs. Alison Morgan worked with Diane and students to determine what the class can do to support Mission Possible’s efforts. The class will be making videos that will be played in the waiting room to educate patients regarding various health topics, including teeth brushing, hand washing and proper sneezing techniques. Students will be creating these videos while learning new Spanish commands.

Last Chance to Sign Up for Grandparents’ Day!

Don’t miss out - Monday is the final date to turn in contact forms.

Help your Freshman daughter create a memory at our annual Grandparents’ Day. This is a very special event that will be remembered by both the grandparents and their granddaughter.

The annual Grandparents’ Day includes the celebration of our All Saints’ Day mass and a special afternoon reception, being held on Wednesday, November 1, 12-3 p.m.

The deadline for submitting forms is Monday, September 18.
"CORE Ministry teacher Ms. Kristen Pungitore, Principal Mr. Jeff Sutliff, Kiera Reilly '18, Coletta Fanta '19 and I put much thought and effort into this donation. We discussed what kind of donation we were going to do, how to promote the donation and how to make students and staff feel sympathy towards Houston, since this year’s theme is Empathetic Justice. I would like to thank everyone else involved, especially those who participated in the donation. Without their help, the donation would not have been nearly successful as it was," shared Gerry.

Activities & Interests:
Gerry plays basketball, participates as an Academy Ambassador and is a member of the Health Sciences Honors Program. She is involved in Glamour Gals, Catholic Schools for Peace and Justice (CSPJ), UNITY and Spanish Club. Outside of the Academy, Gerry is a lifeguard for Hastings WaterWorks.

College Corner
School:
Case Western Reserve University

Location:
Cleveland, OH Metropolitan

Enrollment:
4,200 undergraduates

Strongest Programs:
Engineering, Pre-Med, Biology, Chemistry, Nursing, Psychology

Fun Facts:
During finals week, you can join other Case students for the traditional “Midnight Scream” to release a little pre-exam stress!

Help Your Daughter Score Higher on the HSPT

The High School Placement Test (HSPT) Preparation Class helps students prepare for taking the entrance test for Catholic high schools. It is a fact that students who receive higher scores on high school admission test:

- Gain admission to their #1 high school choice
- Qualify for scholarship opportunities
- Test into more advanced curriculum choices, including Honors and Advanced Placement classes

Students who attend this class will:

- Take the actual, timed, full HSPT under testing conditions
- Be prepared for the HSPT at Saint Joseph Academy or any other area Catholic school
- Receive lunch, manual and instructional materials

Testing is on Saturday, September 30, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Saint Joseph Academy in the Dining Hall. Fee is $149.

For more information and to register, please click here.

Do You Know an 8th Grade Girl Considering Attending Saint Joseph Academy?

Shadowing is a great way for an 8th grade girl to experience what it is like to be a student at Saint Joseph Academy. The experience provides an opportunity for them to spend a full school day at the Academy, attending classes alongside their shadow host (another student), touring the beautiful campus and meeting the amazing teachers and students.

There are select dates for shadowing, beginning next week through November 30.

To register for a shadowing day, click here.

All-School Test Day: Wednesday, October 11

Wednesday, October 11 is an all-school testing day. Students in Grades 9, 10 and 11 will take standardized assessments, while the Seniors will use this day for college planning. Click here to read the letter sent to parents and guardians.

Please review the approximate dismissal times as you arrange transportation for your daughter. Freshmen will be dismissed at approximately 11:30 a.m. Sophomores and Juniors will be dismissed at 12:00 p.m. The Dining Hall will be closed on all school testing day.

Parent Open House on Saturday, October 14 to Support "Celebrate the Academy" Gala

Please join family and friends of Saint Joseph Academy to support the mission of the annual gala, "Celebrate the Academy!"

Saturday October 14, 6-10 p.m.
Hosted by Pat and Camille Sheehan P'18
29212 Cowles Drive
Please RSVP to pcapsheehan@oh.rr.com or 440.471.4780.

The "ticket" to the event is an unrefrigerated six-pack of unique craft beer or a bottle of wine valued at $25 or more. All donated beer and wine will be featured in the craft beer and wine pull at "Celebrate the Academy" gala, held on Saturday, February 17, 2018.

Not able to join us? You can still participate by donating a Visa ® gift card!

Thank you for your kind support and generosity!

Halfway to Saint Patrick's Day FUN(d)raiser for Golf and Basketball Teams This Weekend!
This Saturday, September 16 from 7:30-10:30 p.m. is the Golf and Basketball team's "Halfway to Saint Patrick's Day" FUN(d)raiser at P.J. McIntyre's Irish Pub. Appetizers, beer, wine and well drinks are all included with the $25 wristband. Please share this flyer with family and friends.

Questions? Please contact Head Golf Coach Mrs. Maureen Fallon Adler '79.

Sports Highlights

Stringer Tallies Late Goal

The Varsity soccer team dropped its second match of the season as the Jaguars battled hard but fell 3-1 to Magnificat. The Jaguars played tough against the Blue Streaks throughout and were able to tally a goal late in the match. Alexa Stringer ’20 chipped the Magnificat goalkeeper in the final minute to put the Jaguars on the board.

Tennis Drops Match Against North Canton Hoover

The Jaguars fell 4-1 to one of the top teams in Northeast Ohio in North Canton Hoover at the Cleveland State Medical Mutual Tennis Pavilion. Despite some great rallies and close games, Julie Lorincz ’18 fell 6-1, 6-0 at first singles in the longest match of the day. The Jaguars were led by Bridget FitzGerald ’18 and Kemigan Ponsart ’20 who were victorious 6-1, 6-1 at second doubles.

Cassie Van Etten ’19 and Abby Weaver ’19 also played a competitive match in a 6-2, 6-0 loss at first doubles. The Jaguars are back in action on Tuesday when they host Medina at Jefferson Park.

Poole Leads Jaguars at Golf Conference Tournament

The Jaguars finished in 6th place in the Northeast Ohio Girls Golf Conference Tournament. Libby Poole ’19 led the Jaguars with a 95 on a tough Hudson Country Club course.

Swimming and Diving Meeting

There will be a meeting for any student interested in swimming & diving this winter on Wednesday, September 20, 2 p.m. in the Board Room. That day is an early release day at the Academy. Please contact Varsity Swimming Head Coach, Mr. John Tiernan with any questions.

To view photos, check out scores or to see the schedules for upcoming games and important meetings, click here.