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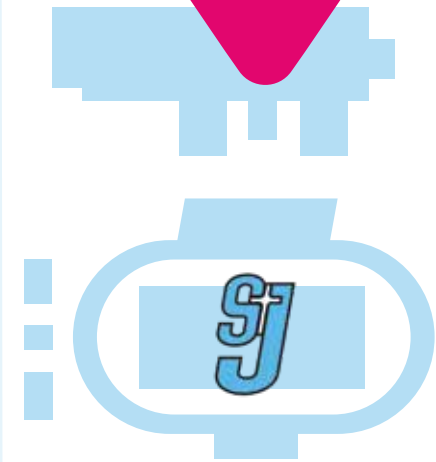
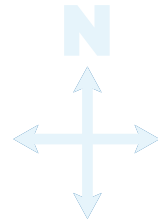
WELCOME

GUIDE

You are



ST. JOSEPH RIVER



Who do I Contact for ...?



All phone numbers begin with **(574) 233-6137**, followed by the department's extension indicated below:

ADMISSIONS

Ext. 524

- Campus Tours
- Placement Testing
- Enrollment

ATHLETICS

Ext. 539

- IHSAA & Club Sports
- Athletic Lockers
- Final Forms

BUSINESS OFFICE

Ext. 529

- Tuition
- Financial Aid
- Accounts Payable

COUNSELING/ COLLEGE ADVISING

Ext. 516

- Change of Address
- Academic Counseling
- Personal Counseling
- Course Placement & Registration
- Report Cards & Transcripts
- Graduation Requirements
- College Admissions
- College Financial Aid & Scholarships
- Standardized Testing

FOOD SERVICE/ LUNCH/CAFE

Ext. 535

- Lunch & Lunch Accounts

MAIN OFFICE

Ext. 510

- Visitor Information
- Contact a Faculty Member
- Summer PE
- Freshman Academy

MISSION ADVANCEMENT

Ext. 544

- Alumni Relations
- Community Partnerships
- Sponsorships
- Annual Fund
- Planned Giving
- Special Events
- Marketing/Communications

NURSE

Ext. 552

- Allergies
- Student Illness
- Immunizations
- Medication

STUDENT LIFE

Ext. 526

- Attendance
- Late Arrival/Early Release
- Delivering a Message to My Student(s)
- Lockers
- Lost & Found
- Parking Permits
- Student IDs
- Student Discipline
- Uniforms

PASTORAL MINISTRY

Ext. 534

- Personal Spiritual Guidance
- Class Retreats
- School Masses

TECHNOLOGY

Ext. 533

- iHelp Desk
- Student Laptops
- Network Security



to Saint Joseph High School!

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How will Saint Joe Communicate with Families?



SCHOOL WEBSITE: At saintjoehigh.com the school posts the calendar of events, school news, athletics information, online uniform ordering, and the cafeteria menu. There are also links to the handbook, faculty/staff directory, and PowerSchool.

SOUNDINGS E-NEWSLETTER: Distributed every other week, this e-newsletter features campus happenings and is the primary vehicle for school-to-parent communication.

LETTERS FROM THE PRINCIPAL/ADMINISTRATION: The Principal or an administrator may share announcements, updates, or other focused communications via email, in addition to Soundings. These communications are as needed.

COUNSELING E-NEWSLETTER: On a monthly basis, parents receive updates related to social and emotional wellbeing, course placement and registration, college and career preparedness. Counseling newsletters are also linked in Soundings.

FOCUS MAGAZINE: Published twice a year, Focus highlights current students and alumni, and features more in-depth articles about campus and the Saint Joe community. Parents, former parents, alumni and friends receive this magazine.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS



In the event of a school delay or closure, Saint Joseph High School will send an e-mail blast to parents. The announcement will also be posted to www.saintjoehigh.com and sent via push notification through the Saint Joseph High School app. Delays or closings will also appear on local media stations.

SOCIAL MEDIA: Saint Joseph High School maintains three official social media sites for the school. (Athletic teams and specific clubs may have their own Twitter accounts):

Facebook: [facebook.com/saintjoehigh](https://www.facebook.com/saintjoehigh)

Twitter: @SaintJoeHigh

Instagram: @saintjoehigh

WHERE TO FIND GRADES AND ACADEMIC INFORMATION



PowerSchool

This online gradebook allows parents to access their student's grades, attendance records, service hours, and assignments.

Canvas

Students and teachers use Canvas, an online forum for announcements, course content, assignment details and due dates. Canvas is especially useful during extended eLearning. Parents can link to their student's account. Register at <https://diocesefwsb2.instructure.com/login/canvas>.

SCHOOL APP : Download the "Saint Joseph High School" app for shortcuts to key information. Weekly calendar notifications are posted on Sundays; school closings or delays are also posted as needed.

MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS: This one is for the students! Saint Joe broadcasts daily morning announcements when classes meet on campus. Principal Kennedy shares a weekly video with students whether classes occur in person or via extended eLearning.



Definitions, Traditions, and Lingo

Lingo Definitions



Shofar Sho-far /¹SHōfər/

Noun: a ram's-horn trumpet used by ancient Jews in religious ceremonies and as a battle signal, now sounded at Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

At Saint Joe, students are called to attend monthly All-School Mass with the sounding of the shofar. This tradition started in the old building when Fr. Bly called the community to Mass. Fr. Bly last sounded the shofar in 2012, on the final day of classes in the old building.



Shookie Shoo-kie /SHōōkē/

Noun: Unique to Saint Joe, the shookie is a delectable treat comprised of fresh-baked chocolate chip cookies held together by soft serve ice cream. School legend has it that the Shookie originated sometime in the early 1980s.



Holy War Ho-ly War /¹hōlē wō(ə)r/

Noun: a war declared or waged in support of a religious cause. Or, in our case, anytime Saint Joe competes against our cross-town rival, Marian.

Fun fact: For over 20 years, the student section has chosen to wear black to the Holy War, continuing the theme “Black out the Knights” from year to year.



Dress Down Day (DDD) Dres Down Day / 'dres doun dey/

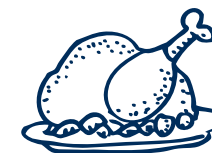
Noun: A school day fundraiser, usually a Friday, whereby students and faculty dress less formally than usual in exchange for a donation to a predetermined charitable organization.

FISTBUMPS!

On the first day of each semester, the entire community is so fired up to welcome students that we greet one another with fistbumps all day long. Students, teachers, and staff keep track of the number of fistbumps shared, and we celebrate the tally at day's end. On the first day of school last year, the community shared an astounding 94,730 fistbumps! While we might not be able to share fistbumps this August, we know the tradition will continue!



Community Traditions



Community service is central to the Saint Joseph High School experience, and we take great pride in our annual efforts to make the world a better place. Yes, community service hours are required of individual students, but these annual events allow us to build community together.

Diaper Drive - You heard that right! The whole school brings in baby diapers for the Women's Care Center across the street. Organized by Saint Joe's Right to Life Club, the Diaper Drive produces so many donations that the entire school builds a human chain extending through the upper hallway, down Notre Dame Avenue, and across the street to the Women's Care Center, passing diaper packages hand-over-hand until they arrive at their destination.

#WeLoveBabies

The Hunger Bowl happens in conjunction with the Saint Joe vs Marian football game (cue the Holy War!). It's an all-out competition to see which Catholic school can contribute more food to Saint Vincent de Paul ... a little sibling rivalry that benefits a worthy cause.

Dating back to the 1980s, and led by Saint Joe's h.o.p.e. Club since 1990, the

Thanksgiving Food Drive organizes hundreds of Thanksgiving meals — including turkey, stuffing, and all the trimmings — each year. The entire Black

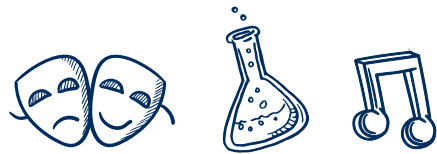
Box Theatre is overtaken by an assembly line, as volunteers pack enormous boxes full to bursting with holiday fare.

At the conclusion of our monthly All-School Mass in Alumni Gym, Saint Joe honors three **Community Award winners** — one male and one female student, and one faculty/staff member. Honorees are nominated by students and selected for exemplary service to Saint Joe. Half the fun is noticing when the student body has guessed that month's recipient — usually marked by quiet rumblings developing into full-volume cheers as the recipient's name is mentioned.

School Spirit is alive and well, as evidenced by strong student participation in football and basketball games. Each week students dress according to a predetermined theme (Hawaiian, USA, etc). During halftime, the seniors choose a student to read a prayer or a poem.

These are just a few of the many special traditions that make Saint Joe a unique and vibrant place. We could write pages on the traditions reserved just for seniors! Tie-dyed uniform polo shirts, handprints in the tunnel, the euchre tournament, the senior breakfast ... These and others will be revealed throughout your time at Saint Joe.

Join the Club!



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Chess Club
Euro Challenge
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Mock Trial
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Quiz Bowl

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Art Club
Drama Club /Thespians
Drumline
Fall Play
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Marching Band
Photography Club
Spring Musical

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Best Buddies Club
h.o.p.e.
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SADD
SECO Club

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Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)
Student Ambassadors
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Girls Who Code
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Technology Club

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Ski Club
Spirit Club

CULTURAL/ LINGUISTIC

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German Club
Spanish Club



Athletics. A tradition of Excellence

Over 50% of all students at Saint Joe participate in a club sport or interscholastic athletic team, and many students are multi-sport athletes. Saint Joe is respected by opponents for its strong history of success throughout the State Championship series. How successful are we? Take a look.

Saint Joe has earned:

205
SECTIONAL
Championships

88
REGIONAL
Championships

36
SEMI-STATE
Championships

30
STATE
Finalists

16
STATE
Runner-Ups

13
TEAM STATE
Championships



and
we have
celebrated ...

13
INDIVIDUAL STATE
Championships

Join the Legacy!

FALL SPORTS

Cheerleading
Cross Country
Golf (Girls)
Football
Soccer
Tennis (Boys)
Volleyball

SPRING SPORTS

Baseball
Golf (Boys)
Lacrosse
Softball
Tennis (Girls)
Track & Field

WINTER SPORTS

Basketball
Cheerleading
Hockey
Swimming
Wrestling



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