St. John's Lutheran School "Preparing and educating children for life-long service to Christ"

Cougar Connection

2025-2026

Make A Joyful Noise

November 14



The entire middle school traveled to Feed My Starving Children in Libertyville today. There they packed meals for kids in countries affected by famine, hardship, or war. They packed enough meals to feed 71 children for a whole year!

From the Principal's Desk

Happy Friday, St. John's!

Our Cougars did us proud this week. Between honoring veterans and writing letters to soldiers to packing meals for starving children, this was a week of service at St. John's. We are always proud of our students- but even more so when they are serving others and shining God's light into the community!

We are excited to see you at the PTL Lego Competition and Silent Auction tomorrow! Our students helped put together gift baskets and class projects, and so many generous donors from our community stepped forward to give items. We are especially thankful for the members of the PTL who put in many hours of work and planning to make this event a success. It is going to be a great time!

The last day to purchase school lunch for December is today! Please make sure to get your order in.

Have a great weekend, Cougars!

Looking Ahead...

Nov. 15- PTL Lego Build/Auction Event

Nov. 17- Blood Drive

Nov. 26-28- Thanksgiving Break (no school on Wed., Thurs., Fri.)

"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!" Psalm 98:4

In Chapel This Week...

This year, our chapel messages will use our school theme- Make a Joyful Noise- and focus on some of the hymns we sing in church. Please join us next Wednesday at 9 am to hear about the hymn "I Know My Faith is Founded."



Happy Veterans Day! Our 3rd-8th graders attended Racine's annual Veterans Day Service at Memorial Hall this past Tuesday.

Athletics

Upcoming basketball games:

Sunday, Nov. 16- Prairie Tournament- A teams Nov. 20-22- Trinity Caledonia Tournament (B teams)

Nov. 21-22- Mount Olive Tournament (A Boys)

From Our Church

St. John's is sponsoring a blood drive on Monday, November 17th. See the attached form to sign up! We need donors!

Mark your calendars for the next Fellowship Friday event- November 21st. Dinner will be baked potatoesjust bring a dessert or side to share and let Mrs. Chapman know you are planning to come (chapman@stjohnsracine.org).

Parent-Teacher League (PTL)

Be sure to mark your calendars for the upcoming Lego Build and Auction event on November 15- it is going to be a lot of fun, and we hope to see you all there! See the attached flyer for more specifics, and watch for pre-order tickets for the spaghetti dinner. (Note- you do not have to buy dinner to come enjoy the event, and/or you do not have to compete in the Lego contest to attend!)

Also, please join us for the next Dine Out event at Culvers (on Douglas) on Thursday, November 13th!

Cougar Classic

Every year, we host a grade school basketball tournament for local schools. This tournament is the athletic department's only source of income and sole fundraising event. The funds raised during this weekend allow us to keep athletic equipment current, replace jerseys as needed, and allows our student-athletes to participate in a variety of tournaments and events throughout the state.

We are looking for local businesses / individuals who would like to sponsor an ad in the tournament brochure (\$60 half page / \$100 full page). All advertisements will be featured in the tournament booklet, which is available to about 1,000+ guests throughout the weekend. If you own a business and/or have a connection with a local business who would like to participate in this sponsorship, please reach out to Amanda Kotowski at 262-498-8695 or email her at akotowski8695@gmail.com. Thank you for your support – Go Cougars!

Crusader Corner

Check back here each week for upcoming grade school fan nights, concerts, and events at RLHS!

Rockstars of the Week

This year, we will be recognizing students who stand out for their acts of kindness and/or service toward others, who are helping to "Make a Joyful Noise" in God's glory here at St. John's.

Our rockstars for this week: Jordan Hajek-Perkins (4K); Simon Lautz (1st); Brynn Paulick (4th); and Ava Rodriguez (6th). Keep up the great work, Cougars!

