



# ST JUDE

## REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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## Bulldog Brief

Dear St. Jude Community,

I hope you are enjoying the “warm up”. Next week the temperature will return to the regular frigid temps, so please be sure to send your child(ren) with a jacket, gloves, and a hat. When the temperature is above freezing we will send the students outside for recess. With the cold weather finally settling in, it is also important to monitor the weather. In the event of inclement weather we will follow Montgomery County schools on closings and delayed openings. You will also receive a call from me through our automated school messenger system.

Catholic Schools Week is around the corner! We begin with Mass at the Shrine of St. Jude on Saturday, January 26th and at St. Francis of Assisi on Sunday, January 27th . Please join us to kick off our celebration of this wonderful school and all Catholic schools. We will also have events throughout the week including a special guest speaker for our 7th & 8th graders on Tuesday, January 29th . Please contact Sandra Cortez if you can volunteer for the many events taking place that week.

Please take some time and complete the registration process. If you have a child entering the Kindergarten, I strongly recommend you do so now. Currently, there are 0 spaces remaining in pre-K 3, and only 9 space remaining in Kindergarten. 2nd grade through 8th grade are projected to be at or close to capacity. Please do not wait, register as soon as possible.

**We are .....St. Jude!**

Live Jesus in our hearts..... Forever!

Glenn J. Benjamin

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### TO DO LIST

- ☐ **Bring in supplies** for International Day
- ☐ **Volunteer** for Catholic Schools Week HSA activities

## 2019-2020 Enrollment

If you have not yet completed the re-enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year, please do so as soon as possible. Registration is now open to everyone and you must register to secure a spot for your child(ren) for next year.

## CALENDAR

CSW begins!.....Jan 28  
Open House.....Jan 30  
Family Lunch.....Jan. 31  
International Day.....Feb 1



## Support Hours

Start the new year off right by volunteering! Track your hours from the School website using the Chrome Browser.

Navigate to [www.stjuderockville.org](http://www.stjuderockville.org) > Parent Resources > School Support Program > Enter Your Support Hours [Here](#)

Register by creating a user name

and password, then log on and input your hours. The site will tally all of your hours for the year.

We have a computer in the Main Office that is available to you at any time if you need access to enter your hours.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email [elen.donnely@stjuderockville.org](mailto:elen.donnely@stjuderockville.org)

	December 29, 2018	May 28, 2019	Total Hours Completed
Multi-Family Household	15 hours or \$225 (\$15 per incomplete hour)	15 hours or \$225 (\$15 per incomplete hour)	30 hours or \$450 (\$15 per incomplete hour)
Single Parent Household	7.5 hours or \$112.50 (\$15 per incomplete hour)	7.5 hours or \$112.50 (\$15 per incomplete hour)	15 hours or \$225 (\$15 per incomplete hour)

**“Alone we are smart but together we are brilliant. We can use the collective wisdom to do great things when we are connected.”**

***-Steven Anderson***

## Inclement Weather Policy

**(K-8)** St. Jude Regional Catholic School follows the Montgomery County Public Schools policy regarding school closings due to inclement weather. St. Jude will alert the community using School Messenger (phone call & email), Facebook, and Twitter (@StJudeRCS). **If Montgomery County schools are closed - we are closed. If Montgomery County schools are opening 2 hours late - classes begin at 10:10 A.M.**

**(Pre -K)** In the case of inclement weather, we follow the Montgomery County Public School schedule for closings. **If there is a 2 hour late delay, our class will start at 10:30am** and if, during the day, schools are told to close early, we ask that you come as quickly and safely as possible to collect your child.

**There is no before care when we have a delayed opening.**

**Classes BEGIN at 10:10am and the doors open at 10am for K-8.**

**Pre-K begins at 10:30am.**



## Coats Available!

The Knights of Columbus has donated 6 coats to our community. If you truly are in need, please come to the Main office.

### Sizes

5-6

8-10 (2)

10-12

7

6X



## International Day



### *International Day is Coming!*

We are asking for donations of plastic utensils, Styrofoam plates, napkins, and mini water bottles. Please send donations to the main office. Thank you!

Join us on Feb. 1 as we celebrate the rich culture and worldwide traditions that make St. Jude such a special place. We need you to help make this event a success! See the flyer on pg. 6.

## Box Tops

As in previous years, we are collecting Box Tops to earn cash for the school. You can clip Box Tops from a list of participating [products](#).

You may submit Box Tops using the mailbox outside of the Main Office year round.

## Thank You, Blood Drive Donors



**American  
Red Cross**  
*Together, we can save a life*

Through the generosity of St. Jude's parishioners and school community, the Red Cross received 28 pints of blood at a time when our community is facing critical shortages of blood.

The men of "That Man is You" thanks all who participated.

In case anyone wants to mark their calendars, our next blood drive is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, June 29. More information on that drive will be issued in mid-May.

## Upcoming Events

### Catholic Schools Week: Week of January 27, 2019

**Saturday, January 26th: 5PM  
Kickoff Mass**

**Monday, January 28th: Parent  
Appreciation Breakfast  
from 7:30 AM - 8:45 AM**

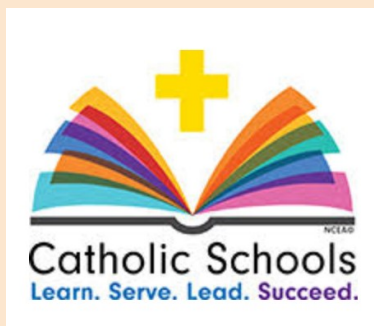
**Tuesday, January 29th: Service  
Project Collection Day**

**Wednesday, January 30th:  
Souper Bowl - Teacher Appreciation  
Lunch**

**Thursday, January 31st: Family  
Lunch**

**Friday, February 1st: International  
Day**

**Bulldog Boogie from 6:30 PM  
to 8:30 PM**



## HSA Updates

### **Catholic Schools Week begins this Saturday!**

The week is dedicated to celebrating the value of a Catholic education and the contributions of our community. To sign-up to volunteer, please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094FADAE2FA75-catholic1>. If you have any questions, please contact Sandra at [scor-tez1108@gmail.com](mailto:scor-tez1108@gmail.com).

**Saturday, January 26th: Kickoff Mass 5PM St. Jude**

**Sunday, January 27th: St. Francis of Assisi 9AM and 11AM**

All families are encouraged to attend and children are to wear their school uniforms.

**Monday, January 28th: Parent Appreciation Breakfast from 7:30 AM - 8:45 AM**

Please be sure to stop by the school store on Monday morning and enjoy a quick breakfast before you start your day. Thank you all for making St. Jude such a wonderful school community!

**Tuesday, January 29th: Service Project Collection Day**

This year we will be collecting items for the [Johns Hopkins Children Center](#). To give families the most flexibility on what to donate, we have divided the wish list by grade levels.

- ◇ Pre-K and Kindergarten: Choose an item(s) from the [Infant/Toddler Wish List](#)
- ◇ 1st Grade - 3rd Grade: Choose an item(s) from the [Preschool/School Age Wish List](#)
- ◇ 4th Grade - 6th Grade: Choose an item(s) from the [Preschool/School Age Bingo Wish List](#)
- ◇ 7th Grade - 8th Grade: Choose an item(s) from the [Teen Wish List](#)

Printable list also listed at the end of this brief.

**Wednesday, January 30th: Souper Bowl - Teacher Appreciation Lunch**

Let's show our teachers how super they are by sharing with them your best soup. Limited slots available for those that want to bring in a crockpot of your favorite soup for teachers and staff to enjoy for lunch. You can drop off the crockpot in the morning in the Teacher's Lounge and pick-up during afternoon pick-up. Use the sign-up genius to indicate what you will bring.

## HSA Updates (con't)

**Wednesday, January 30th: Open House at 9:00 AM and again at 6:00 PM.**

Please invite your friends and family who are interested in learning what St. Jude has to offer!

**Thursday, January 31st:  
Family Lunch**

It only happens once a year! Enjoy lunch with your child(ren). Schedule and location will be shared in the next brief. Please be sure to bring your child(ren)'s lunch with you to enjoy.



**Friday, February 1st: International Day (See pg. 3)**

**Bulldog Boogie from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM**

To close Catholic Schools Week, we will have a Bulldog Boogie in the Thaddeus Room. Bring the family and enjoy an evening of great music and dancing! Volunteers needed. Please see the sign-up genius. Please note that is not a drop-off event and parents are expected to stay on site with their children.

## Bulldog Locker Room

⇒ Planning for **softball and baseball** has already begun!

Look for emails regarding baseball and softball registration in the coming weeks. If you're interested in coaching, please contact SJAA at the address below.

⇒ **Attention all Golfers!** Our annual golf tournament is scheduled for **June 7, 2019, at New Hampshire Greens**. Save the date now!

⇒ **Have a Pre-K to 2nd grader?** Register for Blue Room Basketball on [SportsPilot](#). Blue Room is a fun opportunity to learn the fundamentals of basketball and takes place in Madigan Hall on Saturday mornings.

Questions? Contact [stjudesaa@gmail.com](mailto:stjudesaa@gmail.com).







## CONTACT LIST

### QUESTIONS?

Ready to volunteer or have a question? Reach out to the Contact for more information or to volunteer.

Volunteer Opportunity	Description	Contact
<b>PLAYGROUND MONITOR</b>	Consider taking a day or two each week to help set-up and monitor the children right before school or during your lunch break.	Otis Sangster <a href="mailto:oasangster1@verizon.net">oasangster1@verizon.net</a>
<b>USED UNIFORM STORE</b>	Volunteers help manage and sort the used uniforms donated back to the school. Everyone is welcome to browse the available used uniforms available in various sizes and styles in the “store” in the basement of the school.	Ms. Negash <a href="mailto:neden08@yahoo.com">neden08@yahoo.com</a>
<b>SCHOOL STORE (“BULLDOG KENNEL”)</b>	Show your Bulldog Pride and assist with the School Store during morning drop-off and for special events.	Mrs. Lagrana <a href="mailto:nlagrana25@gmail.com">nlagrana25@gmail.com</a>

Join us for a parish-wide event headed by our Pastoral Council on Saturday, February 2, 10am till noon.

### Topic: PARISH MINISTRY AND THE FORMATION OF DISCIPLES

This talk will look at parish ministry from the viewpoint of Pope Francis’ call that all Catholics live as missionary disciples. It will help prioritize the directions of parish activities and show how parish ministry is strengthen through the lens of evangelization.

Fr. Frank DeSiano was ordained a Paulist priest in 1972. He has served as pastor in downtown parishes in New York and Chicago, and been a national leader in Catholic Evangelization for 40 years. He earned a Doctor of Ministry degree from Boston University in 1990, and was elected President of the Paulist Fathers in 1994. He has written numerous books, and is published in several magazines. In 2016, he was named Director of Formation, a ministry he does while directing Paulist Evangelization Ministries. He travels nation-wide and is a noted preacher and presenter to Catholic leaders and catechists. He regularly serves on Sundays at St. Elizabeth (Rockville) and Resurrection (Burtonsville). His latest book, Catholic Discipleship: Spiritual Exercises and Reflections appeared in November, 2018.





# **St. Jude International Day!**

We invite you to travel...

# **All Over the World!**

**Friday, February 1st**

Please meet us in the Thaddeus room at 10:00am to learn about our school's diversity!

We will get to visit different country booths, learn about their culture, and taste the food from that country.

International artwork created by our students will be on Display in the hallways!

There will be multicultural performances !



We still need volunteers! Please contact Mrs. Balog if you would like to volunteer to represent your country at

International Day.

**[Katharine.Balog@StJudeRockville.org](mailto:Katharine.Balog@StJudeRockville.org)**



# JOHNS HOPKINS CHILDREN'S CENTER

## WISH LIST

- Donated items must be new.
- Latex toys/materials or rubber balloons are unsafe for patients with allergies and can not be used in the Children's Center
- Toys with guns or war paraphernalia should be avoided
- All toys must have UL label

### **Pre-K and Kindergarten List**

<https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/johns-hopkins-childrens-center/ways-to-give/documents/infant-toddler-wish-list-2016.pdf>

<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <b>Infant and Toddler Wish List</b> </div>  </div>	
Wubbanubs	Fisher Price Rainforest Waterfall Soothers
Small rolling toys	Fisher Price Precious
Musical toys	Bright Stars Dream Along mobiles
Light-up toys	Sassy Baby And Bright Starts rattles Plastic/Vinyl
Pop-up toys	Parent's Choice Award Winners
Push-pull toys	Little People, Little Tykes, and Weebles toys
Blocks, Soft and Textured Balls	Soft and vinyl baby dolls-all ethnicities
Links, Textured ones	No-Spill bubble tumblers with wands
Shapes sorters	Infant Hair bows/headbands
High Quality Teethers	Socks, hats, bibs
Chunky board books-Spanish/Arabic	Plastic infant mirrors
I Spy and Look & Find books	Recordable books
Baby Einstein	High Quality booties
Good Quality sippy cups	DVD Shows: Doc McStuffins, BubbleGuppies, Chuggington,
Stacking toys	Jake and the Neverland Pirates, Mickey Mouse Clubhouse
Leap Frog Toys	Infant/Toddler Onesies and Sleepers
Crib Activity Centers	Infant White Noise/ Sound Machines



## **First Grade to Third Grade List**

<https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/johns-hopkins-childrens-center/ways-to-give/documents/preschool-wish-list-2016.pdf>


### **PreSchool & School Age Wish List**



<b>PreSchool</b>	<b>Popular Action Figures- no weapons</b>
Magna Doodle	Movies
See N' Say,	Transformers
Mr. & Mrs. Potato Head	Super Heroes
Play Doh sets	Wrestlers
Fisher Price Medical Kit	<b>Nerf toys-no guns</b>
Play Mobile hospital figures	Basketball
Fisher Price people and animals	Football
Little Tykes & Playskool toys	Target games
Weebles	<b>Other Ideas</b>
Tonka and Match box cars	Sports Team items, boys and girls
Webkinz	Dolls
<b>Board Games:</b>	Large fleece blankets
Trouble	Barbies-please include non-white
Sorry	Stress balls
Skipbo	LEGO sets
Phase 10	Cars
Uno	View Masters
Jr Monopoly	Where's Waldo
Monopoly	Ispy, books, games
Bead sets	Hand-held electronic games
Drawing sets	Model Magic
Fuzzy posters	Popular Movie items or performers

## Fourth Grade to Sixth Grade List

<https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/johns-hopkins-childrens-center/ways-to-give/documents/preschool-bingo-wish-list-2016.pdf>

<div> <b>PreSchool &amp; School Aged</b>  <b>Bingo Wish List</b> </div> <div>   <b>JOHNS HOPKINS</b>  <small>CHILDREN'S CENTER</small> </div>	
<b>Arts &amp; Crafts</b>	<b>General Play</b>
Sun catcher kits	Musical Instruments
Crayons	Water bottles
Markers	Wall calendars
Small arts and crafts kits	Colorful daily planners-not plain ones
Coloring books	Picture frame kits
Jewelry	Small photo albums
3D Models-Cars/Dinosaurs	<b>Other Ideas</b>
<b>Beauty</b>	Small remote control cars
<b>Nail Polish</b>	Bubbles/Fubbles
<b>Hair Accessories</b>	Action figures-Marvel, Transformers, Star Wars
<b>Wide toothed combs/brushes</b>	Building sets
<b>Lip gloss-age appropriate</b>	LEGO kits
<b>Gift Cards-\$5-\$15</b>	DupLo kits
Amazon	Ty Beanie Boos
Barnes and Noble	PlayDoh of all sizes/smallest is best
Bath and Body Works	Pillow Pets
Dicks	Fleece blankets
Game Stop	<b>Games</b>
Hopkins Gift Shop	Mini Etch-a-Sketch
iTunes	Uno
Mastercard	Matching/memory games
Michael's	Regular Deck of Cards
Movie Passes/Gift Cards	Ispy- card games
Netflix	Phase 10
Old Navy	Skip Bo
Subway	
Target	
Toys R Us	
Visa	
Walmart	

## Seventh Grade to Eighth Grade List

[https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/johns-hopkins-childrens-center/ways-to-give/\\_documents/Teen-wishlist-2016.pdf](https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/johns-hopkins-childrens-center/ways-to-give/_documents/Teen-wishlist-2016.pdf)

<div> <h1>Teen Wish List</h1>  </div>	
<b>Anything Ravens:</b>	<b>Stationery&amp; Arts and Crafts</b>
Shirts	Paints and Pens
Socks	Sticker packs
Hats	Scrapbooks
Cups and Mugs	Paper
<b>Gift Cards-\$5-\$15</b>	Notebooks & Journals
Target	Good sketch books
Walmart	Good pen and pencil sets
Best Buy	Stationery Sets
iTunes	Colored Pencils
Toys R Us	<b>Video Games</b>
Old Navy	Xbox 360
Visa	Wii rated T or below
Mastercard	Nintendo DS Lite
Sudoku books	<b>Electronics, Music and Movies</b>
Crossword puzzle books	Ear Buds
Movie Passes	iPod Accessories
<b>Games:</b>	New Release DVDs PG & PG 13
Monopoly	MP3 Players
Trivial Pursuit	Remote Control cars/aircraft
MadGab	Air Hogs
Scene It	Small, electronic games
Scattegories	<b>Make up, Health &amp; Beauty</b>
Catch Phrase	Nice make-up kits
Skipbo	Nail polish
Uno	Lip balm and gloss
Playing Cards	Bath&Body Products-Male/Female
Poker Sets	<b>Other ideas:</b>
Dominoes	Teen-specific craft kits
<b>Jewelry</b>	Water bottles
Necklaces	Fleece Blankets
Earrings	Nerf basketball hoops
Bracelets	Nerf target games
Watches	Backpacks, Purses
Jewelry-making kits	Hats,gloves,scarves
Inexpensive wrist watch	Sweatshirts