

# The Bulldog Brief

January 15, 2020



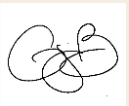
## A message from Dr. Benjamin

### *Catholic Schools Week is approaching*

We continue to prepare for Catholic Schools Week, which begins on January 25th and ends on January 31st. Please consider displaying a yard sign advertising our Open House on January 29<sup>th</sup>. Details for signs and the schedule of events are included in the brief. Please contact Zendi Velazquez or any of the HSA team if you can volunteer during the week.

Mrs. Balog is coordinating our International Festival on January 31st. This is a wonderful opportunity to share our incredible diversity. Please consider volunteering or contributing to the event. Last year the Thaddeus room was full of so many wonderful stations. This year we are planning to use all available space in the Thaddeus room, Madigan Hall, and even the lobby!! Consider sharing your heritage with our community! If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Balog.

2020 is going to be an amazing year for St. Jude! Don't forget to register for the Denim and Diamonds Gala and to purchase JEEP raffle tickets! Thank you for your continued commitment to your children and this community!!



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## Upcoming Reminders

- ✓ Donate items for International Day
- ✓ Donate items for Cup of Joe Service Project
- ✓ Volunteer for the Gala
- ✓ Volunteer for International Day

## Upcoming Dates

- ✓ January 17<sup>th</sup> – Half Day
- ✓ January 20<sup>th</sup> – No School
- ✓ January 25<sup>th</sup> – Catholic Schools Week Begins
- ✓ January 31<sup>st</sup> – Half Day

### Registration

Please take some time and complete the process. If you have a child entering Pre-K 3, Kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th, or 6th grade, please register as soon as possible.

Currently, there are **13** spaces remaining in PK 3, and **9** spaces remaining in Kindergarten.

### Winter Weather?

St. Jude follows Montgomery County Public Schools for delays or closures. 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.

St. Jude  
**DENIM AND  
DIAMONDS**  
A CASUAL EVENING OF  
DINNER AND DANCING  
March 21, 2020  
*Gala*

- **Purchase your Gala Tickets!** Check out the site for details about the Gala, including purchase of tickets (\$55 for one/\$100 for a couple/\$450 for table of ten) as well as sponsorship opportunities and car raffle tickets (\$50).
- **Car Raffle:** We will be raffling off the sleek NEW JEEP RENEGADE LATITUDE 4x4 on display in the parking lot. Once again, tickets are only \$50 and only 500 will be sold!
- **Ready to help?**
  - Our next meeting is **January 21<sup>st</sup>** at 6:30pm in the school library.
  - The Gala Committee is seeking donations of old jeans – blue or white – for decorations. Bring in your old pairs (any size!) to the Main Office.
  - We are also looking for strings of white Christmas lights.
  - Volunteer to **sell Jeep raffle tickets** for an hour or two at Sunday Mass.

Support our goal for an

## **ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY LAB**

*Silent Auction \* Raffles \* Live Auction*

*Buffet Dinner \* Online and Mobile Bidding \* Dancing*

***Featuring Live Band: DOCTORS ORDERS***

Casual Dress (Come wearing your favorite denim and diamonds!)



# International Day

*International Day is Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup>*

We are asking parents to set up booths that represent the country you come from- with food and items from that country. Students will learn about your culture and sample the different foods from all over the world!

We also need student performers. We want to see all cultures represented.

Please email Mrs. Balog at: [Katharine.Balog@stjuderockville.org](mailto:Katharine.Balog@stjuderockville.org) to let her know how you would like to help. Thank you!

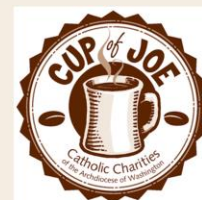
We need the following items for International Day-- please drop off donations in the main office and earn support hours. Thank you!

- Paper Plates
- Napkins
- Plastic Forks and Spoons
- Mini- water bottles

# Catholic Schools Week

January 25<sup>th</sup> – January 31<sup>st</sup>

Saturday, January 25 <sup>th</sup>	Opening Mass	5:00pm	Shrine of St. Jude – Wear School uniform
Sunday, January 26 <sup>th</sup>	Opening Mass	9:30am	St. Francis of Assisi– Wear School uniform
Monday, January 27 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Appreciation Day	Drop-off	Coffee & treats in main lobby with Dr. Benjamin
Tuesday, January 28 <sup>th</sup>	Service Day Project		Volunteers needed to assist with assembly line management of bags for Cup of Joe for the homeless in our community
Wednesday, January 29 <sup>th</sup>	Open House	9:00am 6:00pm	Volunteers needed – greeters, etc.
Thursday, January 30 <sup>th</sup>	Family Lunch/ Student Appreciation Day		Thaddeus Room
Friday, January 31 <sup>st</sup>	Closing Mass/ International Day/ Teacher Appreciation Day	9:00am 10:00am 12:00pm	St. Jude Mass Thaddeus Room Dismissal



Supply List

Please return no later than Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>

PreK	napkins
Kindergarten	brown lunch bags
1 <sup>st</sup> grade	Applesauce (variety of flavors 12 cups each)
2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	Applesauce (variety of flavors 12 cups each)
3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	granola/breakfast bars (12 each)
4 <sup>th</sup> grade	granola/breakfast bars (12 each)
5 <sup>th</sup> grade	Coffee cups (2 dozen each)
6 <sup>th</sup> grade	plastic spoons (24 each)
7 <sup>th</sup> grade	variety of juice boxes (dozen each)
8 <sup>th</sup> grade	variety of juice boxes (dozen each)

## Spring Sports Registration begins

Registration is open for spring baseball with the [Rockville Baseball Association](#).

Parents can either register their 1st and 2nd graders on the St. Jude Bulldogs team in the Ronald Diehl Instructional Division or 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders can register in the St. Jude Bulldog Buddy Kinder Rookie Division. Please be sure to specifically ask for your children to be registered on the St. Jude teams. Stay tuned for more info for softball registration and for baseball for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders.



Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.

Elizabeth Andrew



We need committed volunteers for the School store, Playground duty, and a Rosary Club leader for the school year.

You must be willing to commit to a set schedule.

For more info:

Playground: [Contact Mr. Sangster](#)

School Store: [Contact Mrs. Sabados](#)

Rosary Club: [Contact Mrs. Donnelly](#)



Winter is here! Come in from the cold and check out our featured School Store item, St. Jude School **Maroon and White knitted scarves with fringe, only \$15.00!** Warm, high quality and comfortable, these stylish scarves can be worn by students, staff, and family all year long to show your School Spirit. Stop by M-F 8-9am or 2:30-3:30pm to check out these and our other unique items that allow students, parents, staff, alumni and friends to show their St. Jude pride.

Help spread our School Spirit while fulfilling your hours! Contact Diana Sabados at [artemisdl@yahoo.com](mailto:artemisdl@yahoo.com) or 703-309-4987 today!

To spread the word about our upcoming Open House, we have purchased 200 yard signs. These signs will help us promote the Open House in the school neighborhood and throughout the vast area our school families come from. Please consider putting a sign in your front yard. Please come by the office of School store to collect your sign.

- You must sign one out so we can then track neighborhoods.
- Must be placed in a visible location on your property.
- You are responsible for the yard sign once you sign it out.
- You may return it after the Open house or keep it until next fall.
- We will provide stickers to update the sign.