

PJPII SAINTLY HEADLINES

This communication is a continuous list which will be updated frequently with listings of upcoming events and important information and reminders. The most recent additions will be at the top.
This will **not** include items specific to individual homerooms/classes.

Webpage on school website: ***https://popejohnpaul2sch.org/saintly-headlines***

To request information to be included, please email information to Christen Dunn: cdunn@popejohnpaul2sch.org.

Week of April 13, 2026

- **Ignatius Book Fair** will run in conjunction with the PJPII Art Show on the evening of Friday, May 1st from 5-7pm in the library. The Ignatius Book Fair offers a mixture of the classics, religious, and wholesome family literature. Forms of payment accepted will be credit card, checks made out to PJPII, and FACTS account.
- Join us for our **ANNUAL ART SHOW** as PJPII celebrates the **Red**, **White** & **Blue**!!! Friday, May 1st from 5-7PM, please come and enjoy hundreds of pieces of art work from students in Little Saints, PreK, & Kindergarten up through Eighth Grade. Students will have a Red, White and Blue Dress Differently Day on Friday, May 1.
- **Dash for Cash - Friday, April 24th**: keep fundraising to earn school-wide incentives for both Dash and Field Day!!!
- **Gals and their pals (FKA father/daughter) get excited for a Lei'd Back Luau dance on Saturday, April 25th from 6p-9p at The Celebration Center at St. Peter Church.** Click here to purchase tickets! If you have questions, email the committee by clicking here.
- **Boys and their biggest fans (FKA mother/son) get ready for an action-packed night with basketball, beach-ball volleyball, wiffleball and more on Friday, May 15th from 6:30p-8:30p at USTC**. Click here to purchase tickets! If you have questions, email the committee by clicking here.
- St. Agnes School's End of the Year Cluster Dance - Friday, May 15th for Grades 6, 7, & 8: flyer and permission slip

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MARCH

Week of March 23, 2026

- **Uniform Exchange Details:** Wednesday, March 25, 5:00-7:00 PM, PJPII front lobby, park in the gym

Week of March 16, 2026



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- **Uniform Exchange Details:** Wednesday, March 25, 5:00-7:00 PM, PJPII front lobby, park in the gym lot, not the bus loop.
- **Monetary donation collection for Cpl. O'Connor's family**. Corporal Timothy O'Connor, Jr. was killed in the line of duty last weekend.
    - **Two ways to support PJPII's mission projects:**
        - 1) Use the online donation link: https://popejohnpaul2sch.org/monthly-mission
        - 2) Send in cash/check to school, be sure to mark the student(s) name and homeroom on the envelope. You can send in one check for a family, please list all students & homerooms on the envelope.

Week of March 9, 2026

- **Lenten Stations of the Cross:** view flyer for the many opportunities to attend Stations, either with the school community or at one of our partner parishes, this Lenten season.
- **"Protecting God's Children"** session at PJPII on **Sunday, March 22, 2026**; if you wish to volunteer for **ANYTHING** at school, CYO, or your home parish, you MUST complete this training! Visit: www.virtus.org to register.
- **Author visit:** RESCHEDULED to **MONDAY, March 16th**! The evening portion will be at 6:30pm in the MPR.
- **Dash for Cash** To-do items:
    - Register student website - see email from FundHub sent on Weds. 3/11
    - Input t-shirt size per student
    - Complete memo re: pre-planning question: https://forms.gle/csvdWXoYEH28nNQE8
- **Golf Outing**: register now to secure your spot on the links! **Tuesday, May 12th** at Applecross Country Club: https://popejohnpaul2sch.org/golf-outing

Week of March 2, 2026

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- **Scout Troop 16**, chartered by PJPII, will host a **Dine and Donate at P.J. Whelihan's** on **Monday, March 9th** from **5-9pm**, please present the flyer when attending or mention Troop 16 when ordering take-out.
- Support PJPII's **Cub Scout Pack 16** via their **Twin Valley Coffee** ***Virtual Fundraiser!*** Order any beans, cold brew cards, apparel, drinkware and Twin Valley Coffee will ship right to your door.
- **Lenten Fish Fry** at our partner parish, Our Lady of Consolation, Parkesburg; Friday, March



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13th, come for fish, fun, & fellowship!

- **Designer Bag Bingo** at our partner parish, Our Lady of the Rosary on Sunday, March 22nd! Click here for more information.
- **Cash Bingo** at our partner parish, St. Peter on Saturday, March 28th! Click here for more information. Ticket link: https://saintpeterchurch.breezechms.com/form/bingo-night

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FEBRUARY

- "A Playbook of Love: A Journey of Full Inclusion at Pope John Paul II": Please enjoy this article from the IHM Catholic EdNotes which highlights a PJPII student and her teacher.
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- **Gertrude Hawk** chocolate sale: envelopes due to school Monday, February 23rd!
- **Author visit:** Tuesday, February 24th: https://popejohnpaul2sch.org/author-visit
- Tickets to PJPII's musical **"The Wizard of OZ - youth edition"** are now on sale: **https://cur8.com/22166/project/136964**
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JANUARY

Week of January 19, 2026

- Catholic Schools Week**:** Find the information flyer and the prayer card to pray along with us all week on the webpage! Catholic Schools week happens from Sun. Jan 25 thru Fri. Jan 30.



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- **Designer Bag Bingo** hosted by **PJPII's Home & School** will be on Friday, February 6th! **Click here** for more information.
- **Author visit by Jerry Pallotta**, author of the Who Would Win? Series and so much more! Tuesday, February 24th; students will experience his presentations during the school day, but families are invited for his evening presentation at 7pm. **RSVP** for the evening here!
- **"Stand Out Saints":** The Uniform Compliance Initiative - **information letter**
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Week of January 5, 2026

- **Designer Bag Bingo** at our partner parish, Our Lady of Consolation, Saturday, January 31st! Click here for more information.
- **REMINDER:** We have a ½ day on Friday, January 16,2026 and school is closed on Monday, January 19, 2026.
- Shopping for gifts for family and friends making their sacraments this Spring, visit **Holy Gift Shops** and support PJPII when you make a purchase! https://popejohnpaul2sch.org/holy-gift-shop
- **Saints in Action** newsletter: click here for the latest edition!

DECEMBER

Week of December 15, 2025

- **Designer Bag Bingo** save the date from Home & School Association: click here!
- **REMINDER:** School is closed from December 22, 2025 through January 2, 2026; we return NEXT YEAR on Monday, January 5th!

Week of December 8, 2025

- **Our Lady of Guadalupe** mass and celebration will be held at our partner parish, Our Lady of the Rosary, this Friday, 12/12. PJPII's very own traveling choir will be singing at the mass. Please reference the flyer for details.
- **Cub Scout Pack 16** invites all students in Kindergarten to 5th grade to their Christmas Open House next week, Tuesday, 12/16. Please see their flyer for more details.
- PJPII's Christmas Band concert will be held on Monday, December 15th at 6:30pm in the MPR/Cafeteria. All are welcome!
- The **PJPII Spirit store and Holy Gifts Shop** are great resources for Christmas shopping and gifts for upcoming sacraments! Students can wear spirit gear for spirit wear days; grandparent and extended family can show their Saintly spirit around town! Visit the webpage for more information.
- **Snow Day/Flexible Instruction Days:** closures for PJPII & LSA follow the Coatesville School District, while transportation follows your home school district. Instructions for flex day



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work will be sent by your homeroom teacher(s), either via email or posted on their webpages.

- **CHRISTMAS THEME WEEK:** Student Council is coordinating a festive Christmas themed week, please see the flyer for details of the fun item for each day for next week!

NOVEMBER

Week of November 10, 2025

- **"Turkey in a Bag"** food collection: Items for this Thanksgiving food drive are due this week. Please reference flyer for what each grade is requested to bring in: flyer
- Kindergarten ladies: **NEW DAISY Girl Scout** unit starting! Check out details here: DAISY FLYER
- **Auction**: Many thanks to all who attended, bid, volunteered, donated, etc. to help make the Auction: Casino Night a HUGE success! The committee invites you to give your feedback (good, bad, etc.) to assist with future planning: Auction Survey
- Remember to visit the **Craft Show** at our partner parish, Our Lady of Consolation, Parkesburg, THIS Saturday, November 15th from 9-3.

OCTOBER

Week of October 27, 2025

- **PICTURE DAY**: This **THURSDAY, October 30th**, be sure to check those bookbags for the order forms!
- Families in LSA to 4th grade: check your bookbags for **SQUARE ONE** order forms! These make great Holiday presents for family members and help to support PJPII!
- **Scout Troop 16** invites all young men in grades 5th to 8th to join them at their Open House on Wednesday, November 5th at 7pm in the MPR. Come inquire about Scouting and all the cool things you can learn and do!
- **AUCTION:** tickets still available, babysitting available, dress differently day contributions still being accepted, bidding link opening next week! Reference email which was sent earlier today, 10/28!
- **Spaghetti dinner** at our partner parish, Our Lady of Consolation, this SATURDAY, 11/1, to benefit their youth group mission trip: click here for more information and to purchase tickets - https://givebutter.com/X8Kzsp

Week of October 20, 2025

- The **Book Fair** Family shopping night is tomorrow evening, Wednesday, October 22nd from 5-7pm. Please use the Car Line door adjacent to the faculty parking lot.
- Read-A-Thon reading minute log closes **TOMORROW, Weds. 10/22**!!!
    - Bingo cards are due by Friday, 10/24!
        - READING B-I-N-G-O



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- **Congratulations** to Homeroom 1-3 (Scelzo) who had all their students registered and earned a Dress Differently Day of their teacher's choice!

- **AUCTION class/grade level gifts:** Our students are working hard on these projects, to help defray the cost we are asking each family to make a donation. A dress differently day will be held on **Tuesday, November 4th** to help kick-off the auction.
  - **Auction tickets are still on sale!** Join us for Casino Night on Sat., Nov. 8th: https://popejohnpaul2sch.org/auction-tickets
- Our partner parish, Our Lady of the Rosary, invites our older Saints to join their **Rooted Youth Ministry.** Meetings resumed in October and are open to all 6th-8th graders!
  - Click here for more details!

Week of October 13, 2025

- The **Book Fair** is here! Students will shop during their scheduled library times, 10/14-21; Family shopping night is Wednesday, October 22nd from 5-7pm.
  - Visit the Book Fair webpage to create an e-wallet for a cash free payment option! **https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/popejohnpauliiregcathes**
- Read-A-Thon **registration emails** went out last week, check the email associated with your FACTS account!
  - Read-A-Thon reading minute log opens **TOMORROW, 10/15!!!** Check out these two fun items to guide you through the reading portion of the Read-A-Thon!
    - READING B-I-N-G-O
    - READING Do's and Don'ts
- **AUCTION class/grade level gifts:** To help cover the cost of materials for these projects, we are asking each family to make a donation.
  - Please donate in one of two easy ways: **Online** through the website: Donation Link OR Send **cash/check** into school with your student(s). Mark the envelope "Auction" and include your child's name and homeroom.
    - One envelope per family is acceptable!
- Remember to visit the **Craft Show** at our partner parish, Our Lady of the Rosary, THIS Saturday, October 18th from 9-2.
- **Auction tickets on sale!** Join us for Casino Night on Saturday, November 8th: https://popejohnpaul2sch.org/auction-tickets

Week of October 6, 2025

- One of our partner parishes, Saint Peter, invites our older Saints to join their **Saint Peter Middle School Ministry.** Meetings resumed in October and are held every Wednesday from 6:30-8: 30 pm! Open to all 6th-8th graders, join us for dinner, games, talk, small groups, and time with Jesus in Adoration!
  - Sign up here! **Middle School Ministry Registration**
- Another of our partner parishes, Our Lady of Consolation, invites you to join them for their Halloween **Family Bingo Night** on Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 5:00 - 8:00 pm at the Schneider Parish Center!
  - Click here for the **flyer** or to **register**!



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- The **Book Fair** is almost here! Students will shop during their scheduled library times, October 14-21; don't forget family shopping night is October 22nd from 5-7pm.
    - Visit the Book Fair webpage today to create an e-wallet for a cash free payment option! **https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/popejohnpauliiregcathes**
- **Winter Uniforms** begin on Tuesday, October 14th; Uniform Exchange tomorrow evening, 10/8 from 5-7pm in the front lobby.
    - Uniform guidelines for reference: https://popejohnpaul2sch.org/uniform
- Read-A-Thon **registration emails** went out earlier this week, check the email associated with your FACTS account! Classes with 100% of their student pages registered by NOON on Friday, 10/10 will receive a dress differently day of their teacher's choice.

SEPTEMBER

Week of September 29, 2025

- Beginning of the year **STUDENT FORMS** should be completed **by Oct. 1** if you have not done so already: https://forms.gle/WVwmwuFcG6REuLQr5 REMEMBER: ONE GOOGLE FORM for each student.
- **AUCTION class/grade level gifts:** To help cover the cost of materials for these projects, we are asking each family to make a donation by **Friday, October 17th**.
    - Please donate in one of two easy ways: Online through the website: Donation Link OR Send cash/check into school with your student(s). Mark the envelope "Auction" and include your child's name and homeroom.
        - One envelope per family is acceptable!
- **Fall Uniform Exchange** will be held on **Wednesday, October 8th** from 5p-7p in the front lobby. Email Home & School Association with questions: pjp2hs@popejohnpaul2sch.org
- **READ-A-THON** is moving to **OCTOBER**! Keep your eyes open for the email with more information coming out next week! https://popejohnpaul2sch.org/read-a-thon
- Mark your calendars for the **Craft Show** at our partner parish, Our Lady of the Rosary, Saturday, October 18th from 9-2.
- Opportunity to support Scouts at PJPII - **Cub Scout Pack 16** will host a Dine and Donate at Texas Roadhouse on Wednesday, October 8th from 4-10pm, please present the flyer when attending.

Week of September 22, 2025

- The library is in need of volunteers for the **Scholastic Book Fair** next month 10/14-10/22. The sign-up genius is below if you are available and have all your **clearances** on file. **Book Fair Sign-up**: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A49AAAD2DABFFC70-58337084-pjp2#/
- The link to sign up for the library **Birthday Book Club** is below. If you purchase a book from the wishlist, include in the gift note your student's name and birthday and Mrs. Albee will add this to the donation sticker inside the book. **Birthday Book Club**: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/30A1V9GQC4HKH?ref_=wl_share



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- **Auction tickets on sale!** Get in on the Early Bird ticket pricing before Oct. 1st! https://popejohnpaul2sch.org/auction-tickets

Week of September 15, 2025

- Sign up to **Volunteer** for PJPII's many exciting events/opportunities: Google form
- **Home & School Exec. Board** nominations Google form - deadline for nominations is this **FRIDAY, Sept. 26**
- 2nd annual **Love for Lily Fall Fest** (10/5), in partnership with the HEADstrong Foundation, to raise money for families who have lost a loved one battling cancer. The pink and yellow Dress Differently Day is next week, Thurs. 10/2, please send your donations into school.
- **Girl Scouts** at PJPII – to join them, click here for their informational flyer!
- Scouting America **Troop 16** (Boy Scouts) invite you to join them for a meeting on Wednesday evening in the MPR, click here for their flyer!

Week of September 2, 2025

- **Cub Scout Pack 16** - join them at their meetings on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesdays of each month from 6:30 – 8pm in the MPR. Click here for their flyer!
- From Student Council: **BOOT UP PHILLY mission project** – collection runs through Friday, September 26th. Click here for the letter!
- From our partner parish, Our Lady of the Rosary: come join their **Grace Notes children's choir**! Click here for an informational flyer!