

JESUS WALKS WITH US ALWAYS



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PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

Where do you go if you want the most up-to-date information about school days and SJB events? Please go to either [the school website calendar](#) or the school [Google calendar](#). Do you want school calendar events to appear on your personal Google calendar? In your Google calendar, go to "settings" and "add calendar" and "subscribe to calendar" and type in *sjbsilverspring*.

The school did not publish its usual hard-copy calendar over the summer because of the changing covid-19 situation. Mrs. Leishear has made a printable calendar available [here](#) (up-to-date as of Sept. 15). Photo spreads of new students are [here](#) and [here](#). Also viewable are several [photo collages of students](#).



The virtual parent coffee hour is this week. Click on your class to join the 8:30 am chat with other parents and the principal:

[K-2nd grade Tuesday, Sept 22](#)

[3rd-4th grade Wednesday, Sept. 23](#)

[Pre-K Friday, Sept. 25](#)



SJB in Catholic Standard

Did you see us in the Catholic Standard? See story and pictures [here](#).

Retired Nurses Sew Masks for SJB Kids

See the heartwarming personal gifts they made right [here](#)...

Questions? You can submit questions to be answered at the next school board meeting – **Monday, October 19, at 6 pm**. Go to [this form to submit a question](#). Save the date!



School Advisory Board & Home School Association (HSA)– Who are we?

SJB's School Advisory Board/HSA comprise a team of parent-volunteers and SJB staff that support the school through various aspects including finance, governance, public relations and community building. This year, the board is joined by Lena Maslov (2nd grade), Roberta Gambale (7th grade) and Lis Chakmakian-Lodge (7th and 3rd grades).

Mrs. Maslov will co-chair public relations and marketing, Mrs. Gambale will co-chair development and finance, and Mrs. Chakmakian-Lodge will co-chair the Home School Association.

Over the past two years, the School Advisory Board and HSA have been reorganizing and considering ways to better coordinate efforts on all aspects of the school. With the recent pandemic, it has become ever more important for the board/HSA to come up with new innovative ways to continue SJB traditions and community events.

The board wants to hear from you! If you have creative ideas for how to continue our SJB traditions, or if you have a story/piece/pic to share, please contact us!

- HSA co-chair, Jessica Fitzgerald (8th, 4th, 1st)
- Public relations/marketing co-chair Merianne Spencer (4th, 2nd, Pre-K)
- Treasurer Sean Chisam (5th, 6th)
- Development/finance co-chair Mary Lombardo (3rd, 6th)
- Pastoral council and athletics chair Jeff Vinson (8th, 6th, 2nd)




- ▶ **SJB Masks:** Would you like to purchase some SJB gear? School masks are still available for purchase at school. They're \$15 each or two for \$20. Order [SJB Face Masks](#). Questions? Contact kalanni@msn.com.




- ▶ **HSA Fall Plant Sale** is open! Deadline to order is September 25. Limited quantities of additional items, including smaller quantities of the pansies, will be available for purchase at pick-up. To order, click [here](#). Questions? Contact Mary Lombardo at maryjclg@gmail.com for details.

Did You Know? You can see some of the fun activities at St. John the Baptist Catholic School through SJB's Facebook page? Take a moment to "follow" and see some of the great art projects, lessons, and fun learning projects of the students here: <https://www.facebook.com/SJBSilverSpring>.

Do you have a story, thoughtful piece, or picture that you'd like to share in this newsletter? As a community building activity, we want to hear from you! Contact: yelenamaslov@gmail.com and meriannespencer@yahoo.com.

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