

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 5

- Labor Day – No School

September 7

- 2 PM Dismissal

September 12

- End of Mid-Term

September 18

- SJS School Mass at SJC at 9:30 AM

September 19-23

- IOWA Testing

September 20

- Progress Reports sent home

September 28

- See You At The Pole
- South Plains Fair Field Trip

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

09/06 Madeline Paez

09/25 Mrs. Burch

09/27 Benton Lunsford

09/30 Mattie Leal

FEAST DAYS

09/03 St. Gregory the Great

09/08 Birthday of the Blessed
Virgin Mary

08/09 St. Peter Claver

09/13 St. John Chrysostom

09/12 the Triumph of the Cross

09/15 the 7 Sorrows of Mary

09/16 St. Cornelius

09/17 St. Robert Bellarmine

09/19 St. Januarius

09/21 St. Matthew

09/26 St. Cosmos & St. Damian

09/27 St. Vincent de Paul

09/28 St. Wenceslaus

09/29 of the Archangels:

Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael

09/30 St. Jerome

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents,

Thank you for all your support and cooperation these first days of school.

The **Catholic Life Insurance Raffle Tickets** were sent home last Tuesday. Remember this is a very important fundraiser since all the money we receive comes directly to the school. Please **SELL, SELL, SELL!!!**

2016-2017 school shirt order forms are past due. Please make sure you get your forms in by this Friday, September 2nd.

Lunches must be paid on a daily basis. We encourage that you pay a week in advance. A note will go home on Fridays with students who owe for lunch. The student will NOT be able to order lunch fee is paid.

Sincerely,
Sister Brenda Haynes

FROM THE NURSE'S DESK: Please check your mail for letters regarding **immunizations**. We have several families missing immunization records.

Just a reminder to keep your sick loved ones at home. Below is a list of **specific symptoms** to look for:

Fever over 99 within 24 hours
Vomiting or diarrhea within 24 hours
Green or gold mucus from nasal cavity

If your child is administered an antibiotic, they are not to return for 24 hours after the start of medication.

From Mrs. Hybner's Science Desk: We have begun the process of choosing our Science Fair Projects. The first due date was this week, August 30th, the students were to submit three topics. I will be using the Remind system again to alert you of upcoming due dates, etc. If you have already signed up, you will not need to sign up again.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR



Dear Family and Friends of St. Joseph,

Thank you for your support and love of me in this first year as pastor. I am grateful for the warm welcome I have received and the work that we have accomplished together at our church and school.

At my request, I have been granted a three-month sabbatical from ministry for personal study and growth. I am grateful to Bishop Rodríguez in granting this time to me. My prayer is that it will afford me the strength, energy and peace to continue to serve the Lord the best that I can.

Fr. Chacko Thadatil, pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe here in Slaton, has been assigned to care for the parish in my absence. I am grateful to him for answering Bishop Rodríguez' call and know that he will be diligent in his care for all of you. As he will have to care for both his parish and our parish, beginning September 3 the Sunday Mass will begin at 9:30am. Additionally, the parish will only offer Mass during the week on Fridays at 8:30am with our school children. Mass will be available at Our Lady of Guadalupe at their regular schedule. Please give to Fr. Chacko all of the support and care that he needs, just as you have cared for me.

I am confident in the plans and structures that we have put into place and am counting on all of you to continue the good work we have done together, the work that, in the words of St. Paul, God has begun in us all and will bring to completion in us all. Our parish is a beautiful, strong, and confident community with hearts dedicated to service. I know that your dedication and faith will carry you well in my absence.

Finally, I ask for your prayers for me at this time. A priest always relies on his people, just as the people rely on their priest. Let us continue to lift each other up.

Yours in the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,

Rev. Joseph Palacios
Pastor

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL GARCIA FAMILY!



Meet the Garcia family! Luis and Jessica just enrolled their first born, Graciela “Gracie” into the Pre-K 3 program here at St. Joseph Catholic School! Graciela has a little sister named Shelbi and we can’t wait until she becomes a Charger – but we bet mama can wait! The Garcias love going on new adventures with their dog Bane! They love everything from going on exciting trips to letting the girls bake! The Garcias are members of St. Joseph Catholic Church here in Slaton and “absolutely love the confidence that Gracie has already developed!” Mommy says that Gracie went from too shy to play in any of her soccer games to staying on the field playing her heart out for almost the entire game! She has just bloomed and it's only the third week of school! She

comes home with stories and singing songs and will even play her guitar while singing to her sister. So while they are heartbroken that their baby isn't at home with them, they are over the moon with how happy she is coming out of her shell.

The Garcias know the importance of a Catholic education and want their daughters to be surrounded with people who can help her grow in her faith and love that St. Joseph School offers just that!

We are so happy the Garcias are part of our St. Joseph School Family! Please be sure to say hi if you see them around!

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