Blue & Gold Weekly News 2024-2025

January 26, 2025



Catholic Schools Week: Mass on Sunday, January 26

National Catholic Schools Week begins on Sunday, January 26. Across the nation, students in Catholic schools are asked to attend Mass in their school uniforms with their families. We invite all our families to participate and show their Lion Pride!

Catholic Schools Week Volunteer Thank YOU!

In recognition of your time, dedication, and support, we are hosting a reception in honor of our volunteers. All volunteers are invited to join us on January 31 at 8:15 A.M. in the Academic Resource Center (ARC). Please use this <u>link</u> to RSVP.

Join us In Worship. All are Welcome

Mass is always open to friends and family. Please join us:

Monday, January 27 at 10:00 A.M.

Mass will be held at St. Francis Xavier Church with St. Pius X School students in attendance to celebrate the opening of Catholic Schools Week together as one. All are welcome to attend. This will be a sweater day for our High School Division students.

Wednesday at 7:30 AM: Our Lady of Fatima Chapel

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Tuesday from 2:30-3:15 P.M.

MORNING PRAYER: Tuesday & Thursday at 7:30 AM in Our Lady of Fatima Chapel

ROSARY: Friday at 7:30 AM in Our Lady of Fatima Chapel

Traffic Announcement

Effective Monday, January 20, there will be a road closure on Bearse's Way from Enterprise Rd. to Pitcher's Way. There will be a detour that will continue for at least a couple of weeks. Please allow for extra travel time or choose an alternate route to school.

Please take the time to be patient and slow down for the safety of the workers as well as our students and families.

Structured Alternative Learning (SAL) Day Procedure

In cases of inclement weather when school would normally be canceled, but when power outages are not prevalent, the administration may declare a SAL day. Please view this link to see the details.

Admissions Events for the 2025-2026 School Year

The Admissions cycle is in high gear and we are looking forward to meeting new families for the next school year already! If you have any friends or family that are

interested in learning more about why St. John Paul II School is the choice for them, please encourage them to attend an Admissions event! Find Out More Friday Zoom: January 31; February 14 and 28 <u>Click here</u> to select a Friday that works for you! In-Person Mini Open House: Friday, February 7 <u>Click here</u> to let us know you are coming! Lion-For-A-Day Shadow Program: by appointment, please email <u>MWahle@JPIIhyannis.org</u> to schedule

Find Out More Friday Zoom: Select Fridays in January and February

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Mini Open House: February 7

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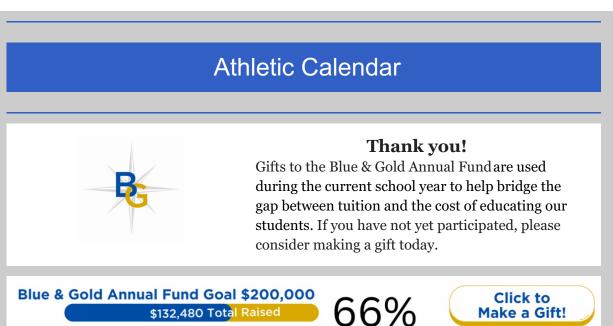
Financial Assistance for the 2025-2026 School Year

The online application for financial assistance for the 2025-2026 school year is open. To be considered for financial assistance, you must complete an application each year with FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment. If you have any questions or require assistance, please contact Mrs. Keras, Student Accounts Coordinator, at mkeras@JPIIHyannis.org. Please click here for information for students entering Grades 5-8. Please click here for information for students entering Grades 9-12.

Game of the Week is Men's Hockey on January 29!

If you go to any game next week, make it the men's hockey game at HYCC on Wednesday, January 29th against Monomoy. Start time is 7:00 P.M.

Let's support our winter athletes with a strong showing!



School Store Hours This Week:

2:30-3:30 Mon. Jan 27 Tues. Jan. 28 Wed. Jan. 29 Fri. Jan. 31

School Store Hours Looking Ahead: 2:30-3:30 Fri. Feb. 7



Calendars for January

Activities Calendar Breakfast and Lunch Menus Catholic Schools Week Dress Down Schedule Catholic Schools Week Event Schedule

Catholic Schools Week is January 26 - 31

Student Council has planned a variety of events and themed activities for Catholic Schools Week. A dress-down day schedule and the weekly activity schedule are linked above. Volunteers and donations to support our Catholic Schools Week activities would be deeply appreciated. Please find the sign-up links here:

- Sundaes on Monday
- Teacher Luncheon

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Lunch Volunteers Needed

We could still use volunteers to assist with the lunch program. Please sign up HERE. It can be once a week, once a month, whatever works!

This Week:

<u>Sun. Jan. 26:</u> Wear your uniform to Mass Looking Ahead: Mon. Feb 3: 10:00 A.M. St. Blaise Feast Day Mass <u>Mon Jan. 27:</u> 10:00 A.M. Catholic School Week Mass 12:30 P.M. School/Family Rosary in the Gym

<u>Wed. Jan 29:</u> 1:15 P.M. JPII's Got Talent 3:00-4:00 P.M. Lego Club

<u>Thurs. Jan 30:</u> 1:30 P.M. Grooversity

<u>Fri. Jan 31</u> 8:15 A.M. Volunteer Reception

<u>Looking Ahead</u> <u>Mon. Feb 3:</u> 10:00 A.M. St. Blaise Feast Day Mass

<u>Tues. Feb 4:</u> Gr. 7 Retreat 6:30-7:30: HSA Meeting Zoom <u>Tues. Feb 4:</u> Gr. 7 Retreat 6:30-7:30: HSA Meeting Zoom

Wed. Feb 5: 8:30-9:30 A.M. Q2 Honors Assembly

<u>Fri. Feb 7:</u> 9:00-10:30 A.M. Mini Open House 7:00-9:00 P.M. Gr. 6-8 Valentine's Day Dance



JPII Science and Engineering Fair: February 6th, 2025

The annual JPII Science and Engineering Fair is on February 6th, 2025. Student scientists will present their independent research projects from 5-6:30 PM, with a short awards ceremony following. This event is mandatory for all CP and Pre-AP Biology students, but all are welcome to attend.

We are looking for science fair judges! If you or someone you know is involved in STEM fields and might be interested in participating in this event, please reach out to Ms. Poirier (apoirier@jpiihyannis.org) for more information on how to get involved.

Rostro de Cristo Immersion Retreat Opportunity:

JPII is going to the Dominican Republic! JPII has a longstanding relationship with Rostro de Cristo, an organization that offers intercultural experiences to groups of high school students allowing them to experience life amongst marginalized communities. A group led by Ms. McPherson and Mr. Lynch will be going to Consuelo in the DR from May 17-23, 2025. This opportunity is available to current juniors and seniors. An interest meeting will be held on Thursday, January 30 at 6:00 pm in the ARC. Please contact Ms. McPherson (cmcpherson@jpiihyannis.org) with any questions or to rsvp to the meeting. Please see this <u>linked document</u> for more information.

Catholic Schools Week - January 26 - January 31

Catholic Schools Week is planned for January 26 through January 31. There will be Mass, staff and student appreciation, Communicate Christ Banners, the Rosary and Service. We will have two Service initiatives:

• NHS backpack and school supplies drive for Schools on Wheels. The items

will be donated to children in grades K-12 who are impacted by homelessness and poverty. Please consider picking up a backpack or an item for the backpack and the grade with the most items at the end of the week will earn a dress down day. <u>More information here</u>.

• A Collection for Catholic Charities to benefit the LA Fires. The collection will take place in theology classes and we are asking each student to make a donation of at least \$1.00.

Link to Schedule of Events for High School

During that week at school, we would like to celebrate our teachers and staff with a trail mix bar in the teacher's room. They will be able to pop down for a sweet or savory treat all week long. Please sign up to send an item in using the SignUp Genius below. Items can be dropped off in the main office.

High School Trail Mix Bar Sign Up

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Wed. Jan 29: 3:00 - 4:00 P.M. Engineering Club

<u>Thurs. Jan. 30:</u> 6:00 P.M. Rostro de Cristo Meeting

<u>Fri. Jan 31</u> 8:15 A.M. Volunteer Reception

Looking Ahead:

Mon. Feb 3: 10:00 A.M. St. Blaise Feast Day Mass

<u>Wed. Feb 5:</u> 7:00-8:30 P.M. Guidance Meeting: Scheduling and Course Selection

<u>Thurs. Feb 6:</u> 4:00-7:00 P.M. Science Fair

<u>Fri. Feb 7:</u> 12:30-2:00 P.M. Mini Open House

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