

# "JO" IN THE KNOW

Parent & Guardian Newsletter



## November 2019

### THIS MONTH AT A GLANCE

*Reminders and events not to be missed!*

#### November

- 1st - All Saints' Day Mass 10:20 a.m.
- 1st - Senior Extended Essay Final Drafts Due
- 1st - Basketball Try-Outs
- 2nd - Homecoming Dance, 7 - 10 p.m.
- 2nd - Admissions Open House, 1 - 3 p.m.
- 5th - 7th: Senior Kairos, Overnight Retreat
- 7th - Parent/Teacher Conf., 4:30 - 7 p.m.
- 8th - Faculty Inservice, **No School**
- 11th - Veteran's Day, **No School**
- 13th - Fall Fine Arts Showcase, 3:45 - 7 p.m.
- 16th - Unaccompanied Minors to perform National Anthem for Special Olympics
- 18th - Feast of St. Philippine Duchesne Mass
- 23rd - Admissions Open House, 1 - 3 p.m.
- 25th - Basketball Game vs. Rochelle Zell, 5 p.m.
- 27th - 29th - Thanksgiving Break, **No School**

### SAVE THE DATES

#### December

- 3rd - Basketball Game vs. Ellison, 5 p.m.
- 5th - Basketball Game at Cristo Rey, 5 p.m.
- 7th - Admissions Entrance Exam, 8:00 a.m.
- 10th - Basketball Game vs Christ the King, 5:30 p.m.
- 11th - Advent Reconciliation
- 12th - Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass, 10:20 a.m.
- 12th - Basketball Game at Walther Christian, 5 p.m.
- 15th - Breakfast with Santa, TBD
- 23rd - Christmas Break - **No School**  
(classes resume on Tuesday, January 7, 2020)

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Sports events, field trips, school closures,  
upcoming deadlines - [find it here](#)

### RESOURCES FOR YOU

Explore our online hub of go-to  
[resources](#) including an online portal to  
[pay your tuition](#).

*You're Invited!*



# PARENT -TEACHER CONFERENCE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7  
4:30 - 7:00 P.M. | CAFETERIA

*FIRST QUARTER REPORT CARDS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP*

## Parents and Guardians – Join Us!

Teachers, counselors and administration will be available for one-on-one meetings regarding your student. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to connect in-person about your child's progress and review plans for her academic and personal development this year. Meetings are first come, first served.

Aspire Kids will be  
hosting a  
**Parent/Guardian  
Workshop**  
from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.  
*Food provided.*

*\*Attendance is strongly encouraged but is not mandatory.*

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## All Saints' Day Mass

Friday, November 1  
St. Aloysius Catholic Church  
2300 W Le Moyne St, Chicago, IL  
10:20 a.m.

All are welcome to join us for  
All Saints' Day Mass.

## Fall Fine Arts Showcase!

Join us for the third annual celebration of  
our Fine Arts program on Wednesday, November 13  
from 3:45 to 7:00 p.m.  
The evening will include a 20 minute children's





musical written, directed, and performed by our senior IB theater students. Doors open at 3:45 p.m. The show begins at 4 p.m. in the Black Box Theatre located on the second floor.

Be there for the season opening of the Josephinum student art gallery. View original artworks and cast your vote for three lucky artists to win prizes for their creations. The art gallery will be open from 3:45 to 7:00 p.m. in room 315.

Refreshments will be available.  
Please enter through the Bell Street lobby.

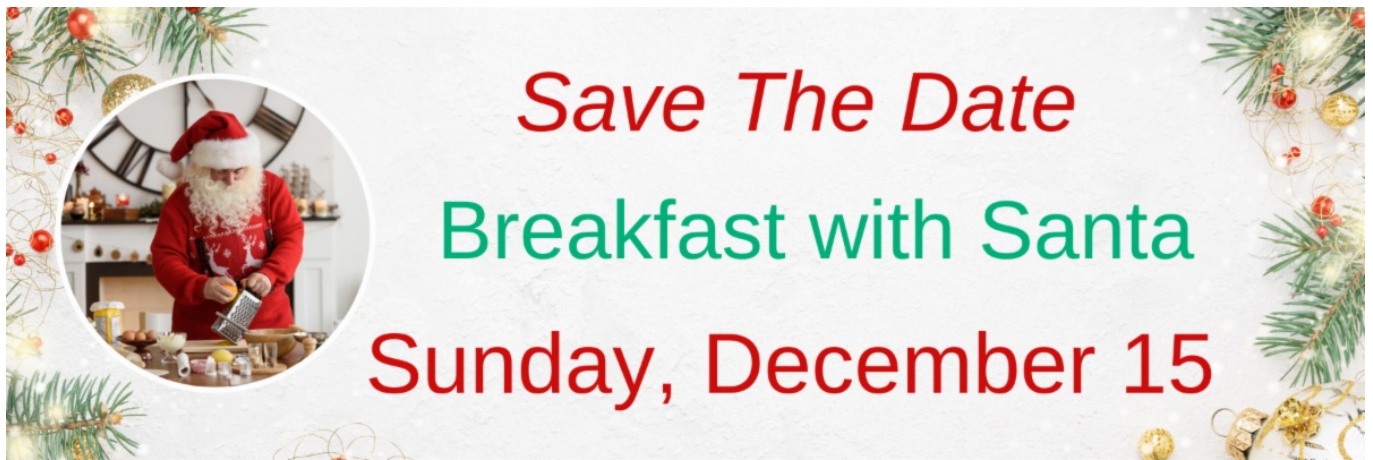


Feast of St. Philippine Duchesne Mass  
Monday, November 18 10:20 a.m.  
St. Aloysius Catholic Church

### Join us for Feast of St. Philippine Duchesne Mass

Monday, November 18  
St. Aloysius Catholic Church  
2300 W Le Moyne St, Chicago, IL  
10:20 a.m.

Join us as the Josephinum community gathers together for Mass to celebrate the life of St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, founder of the first Sacred Heart communities and schools in the United States.



*Announcements & Reminders*



### Basketball Try-Outs are November 1st and 4th!

Basketball try-outs are Friday, November 1st from 4 to 5:30 p.m., and Monday, November 4th from 4 to 6 p.m. All students interested in joining the varsity or junior varsity basketball teams are encouraged to try out. All athletes must submit their physical exam for the current school year to participate.



### Saint Ignatius Model United Nations Conference XVIII

The members of our Model UN Club will be competing in the Saint Ignatius Model United Nations Conference XVIII on Saturday, November 2nd. This event is one of the largest Model UN conferences in the Chicagoland region. Join them from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 1076 W. Roosevelt Road, Chicago, IL. *The photo above is of last year's Model UN members at the conference.*



### Unaccompanied Minors to sing the National Anthem!

Our Unaccompanied Minors are attending their 5th annual performance of the National Anthem at the Special Olympics Illinois State Floor Hockey Tournament at Northeastern University on November 16th. *The photo above is from their 2018 performance.*

## Tuition Payment Reminder - Student 'Exclusion Day' is Nov. 1

The first exclusion day for the 2019-2020 school year will occur on November 1, 2019. Per the exclusion policy in the 2019 Parent/Student Handbook (page 9), unless your account is made current prior to this day, your student will be excluded from class, student activities and school events. Your student will not be allowed to attend homecoming on November 2 unless a payment is received the business day prior to the event.

Those with outstanding balances on their account have received prior notice by letter and email. Tuition payments can be made online through **FACTS**, a tuition management system, or paid in person at the school. If you have received a notice or have any questions regarding your account please contact our Business Manager, Lillian Torres at [lillian.torres@josephinum.org](mailto:lillian.torres@josephinum.org) or (773) 276-1261 ext. 226.

## Homecoming Dance 2019

7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

"Under the Lights"

Cost in advance: \$10/per person

Cost at the door: \$15/per person

Homecoming 2019, "Under the Lights," is Saturday, November 2 from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. at Josephinum Academy. Tickets may be purchased in advance during lunch. Doors open at 7 p.m. and will promptly close at 7:45 p.m. *No entry after 7:45 p.m., no refund for late arrivals.*

For a complete list of Homecoming 2019 rules and expectations, please contact our Scholarship and Student Life Coordinator, Chris Haslam at [chris.haslam@josephinum.org](mailto:chris.haslam@josephinum.org) or (773) 276-1261 ext. 236.

## Tuition Discount - Referral Program

Do you know any middle school or high school students interested in applying to Josephinum Academy? If you refer an applicant to Josephinum Academy and she is accepted,



enrolls, and attends our school, the referring student receives a **5% discount from her yearly tuition!** This discount can be applied to as many students as are referred until the referring student's tuition for that school year is \$0!

### Invite your referral to visit us!

Our next Open Houses are on Saturday, November 2 and November, 23 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Seventh grade public school students and all eighth grade students may also join us for a Shadow Day this Fall.

[Click here to register your referral to visit.](#)

For additional information, please contact our admissions office at [admissions@josephinum.org](mailto:admissions@josephinum.org).

*\*This policy only applies to new applicants.*

*\*The tuition discount only applies to one school year's tuition.*

## Class of 2020! – Submit Your College Applications in November

The month of November is application deadline season! Many applications are due between November 1 and November 30.

Please closely review the application deadline and requirements for the colleges your student is interested in applying.

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact our Alumnae and College Counselor, Dr. Mary O'Reilly at [mary.oreilly@josephinum.org](mailto:mary.oreilly@josephinum.org) or (773) 276-1261 ext. 246

## Class of 2020! – Scholarships Opportunities

Please encourage your Jo girl to apply for all possible scholarships. Never pay for scholarship search services - but check out these scholarship resources: [Navience](#), [BigFuture.CollegeBoard.org](#), [Cappex.com](#), [CollegeGreenlight.com](#), [CollegeXpress.com](#), [FastWeb.com](#), [FinAid.org](#), [Scholarships.com](#), [SuperCollege.com](#), [Latino Voice for Civil Rights in America](#), [Hispanic Scholarship Fund](#), and [the United Negro College Fund](#).

## Cougar Pride!

### Wellness at the Jo!



In August, our Wellness Department jumpstarted the school year with grade-level

### IB Brain Break!



In September, Ms. Ross (IB Coordinator) and Ms. Moore (Health & Wellness Coordinator)

intro workshops on wellness. Students set an intention for the school year starting with the words "I am" to create a vision for their best self (ex: I am brave, I am kind, I am authentic). We created a beautiful bulletin board to serve as a reminder of the strengths of our community.

surprised the seniors with an IB Brain Break! They were treated to popcorn and a movie after they submitted their extended essays as a reward for all of their hard work. Additionally, we kicked off monthly wellness lunches; students of all grade levels can sign up to build community and discuss stress management.

### Jo Girls at the Lizzo Concert!



Many thanks to Mr. and Mrs. McClusky, who are wonderful friends of the Jo, who brought some of our Jo girls (along with Mr. Haslam and Ms. Potyrala) to the Lizzo concert on September 30th!

### Show Your Jo Pride!



Check out our online spirit store where you can purchase hats, shirts, jackets, leggings and more!

[bit.ly/thejospiritstore](https://bit.ly/thejospiritstore)

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