

**St. Joseph School**  
**25 Squire Street**  
**New London, Connecticut 06320**

*"This is a holy place where we discover each other in God's love."*

April 8, 2026

Dear St. Joseph School Families,

**Happy Easter! Alleluia! Alleluia!** Tuesday at prayer, we reminded the students that we are indeed an Alleluia people. We celebrated putting on the white garment of Baptism, reminding each of us of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Our goal throughout Lent was to change our hearts to be more like the heart of Jesus. This week we celebrate!!

**We congratulate and thank** our 7th and 8th graders for a wonderfully presented and reverent rendition of the Living Stations on Good Friday night. We are so proud of them! I also wish to thank our staff members who assisted with all that needed to be done.

Once again, we thank those who were responsible for our participation in the Pawcatuck River Duck Race, which takes place on Saturday, April 25th at 1:30 p.m. As you know over 600 ducks were sold to assist with growing our new playground. Good luck to everyone who purchased ducks. Donations and fundraising efforts are much appreciated, as are those working on this wonderful project. The project benefits all students.

**Our 5th graders** will exhibit their inventions this Friday from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Please stop in to see the results of their creativity!

**Friday will be a casual day** to support our playground and celebrate our UConn Huskies' great work, skill, and sportsmanship. Wear your Husky Gear **and/or** bring \$2 for our playground.

Our **Basket Social** takes place on **May 2nd**. Everyone should have received flyers and suggestions for classroom basket donations. Your donations for the class baskets can be brought in any time after vacation. Anyone wishing to donate a family basket may also do so. Please let us know by filling the form you received before Easter.

**Spring vacation** is next week! School resumes on April 20th.

I remind those who have incoming Kindergarten students that you must call the office for an appointment for screening for readiness. We begin the screening process on April 21st.

Our First Communion students will receive the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist for the first time on Sunday, April 26th at the 10:45 Mass. Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they continue their preparation for this very special Sacrament.

Your children should have begun their submissions for our **Young Author's Program**. **These are due on May 7th**. Please refer to the flyer that was sent.

Our prayers are with everyone in this Easter Season! **Alleluia!!**

### **Reminders**

- **April 24<sup>th</sup>** - Gr. 6 Play at 1 p.m., Progress Reports distributed.
- **April 24<sup>th</sup>** - Bingo for our Playground at St. Paul's Church Hall. See flyer.
- **April 26<sup>th</sup>** - Celebration of First Holy Communion—10:45 a.m. Mass
- **May 2<sup>nd</sup>** - Basket Social for the Playground.

Marianne Cote, Principal