

# EYES ON PJP

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 2018



A message from our President/Principal:

“Be Someone’s Miracle!” is one of the signs that hang in the hallway of Pope John Paul II High School. This week on August 15th we celebrated the Feast of the Assumption of Mary. Mary’s miracle began with her “YES.” She said yes to becoming the mother of Jesus.

Each student and parent is a **miracle** for saying YES to joining the Jaguar Catholic school community. You are witness to faith because of the sacrifices you make to seek an education with the spiritual path of our Catholic faith.

Each time you say “YES” to loving another as God loves us, when saying no would be easier, a miracle happens.

Each time a parent or student steps forward to give a helping hand, join a club or organization, or join or support a PJP team, a miracle happens.

Each time a parent or student volunteers service in the community or at school, a miracle happens.

Each time students dedicate their time to study and their parent supports and encourages academic success, a miracle happens.

Each time a parent or student spends time in prayer, at Mass on Sunday, with prayer

## Notables for the Week

VB Scrimmage @ PJP	8/16 @ 4pm
FB @ Country Day	8/16 @ 5 pm
FB work day @ PJP	8/18 from 8 til noon
JV VB Jamboree @ Salmen	8/21
Varsity VB @ Salmen	8.23
PJP Tailgate Party	8/25 @ 6:30 pm
Junior Parent Mtg	8/27 @ 5:30
Senior Parent Mtg	8/27 @ 6:30

groups, or at lunchtime in the school chapel, a miracle happens.

Miracles are not just things that happen to us, miracles are the choices we make that are in keeping with God’s divine plan.

Be someone’s miracle! In doing so, you fulfill St. Pope John Paul II vision for all to answer the call to holiness.

I pray each day that blessing may fall upon you and your family.

Sincerely in Christ,

Douglas V. Triche



**Shout Out.....**This summer, on June 13th, former Jaguar swimmer, Patrick Carroll '18 assisted in saving a life. Also offering valiant effort was current senior and swimmer, Patrick Kelly. Both young men were a part of rescue efforts at a local swimming club where a young boy was discovered at the pool’s bottom. Carroll, along with the pool’s Aquatics Director, jumped in to retrieve the boy’s body and quickly performed CPR until first responders arrived to take over and get the boy to a local hospital for further treatment and recovery. Kelly made sure the area stayed clear so that rescue efforts could take place without interruption or distraction.

On July 7th, the two were recognized and awarded a Certificate of Recognition by the Slidell City Council for their important role in saving a life.

They are both featured in the photo to the left. Patrick Carroll (far left) is next to Patrick Kelly (middle, front row) and the Aquatics Director who also received recognition. Congratulations, men, we couldn’t be more proud!!

# Candid Moments.....



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1. Prior to the start of every school year, PJP faculty and staff experience several in-service days. This year was no exception. The group gathered at St. Luke's Life Center on August 2nd to begin their instructional year together and gather for the first time as a family. In the photo, Commander Tom McNitt shares a light-hearted moment with new faculty member (& PJP alum) Marissa Nunez '11.

2. PJP parent, Mrs. Donna Abbenante volunteers at Book Day 2018 and busily assists customers at the PJP Bookstore.

3. Mr. Triche happily welcomes students back to their first day of school at carline.

4. Ms. Kaitlin Short, 11th & 12th grade counselor, gives detailed instruction to our seniors who enjoyed a late arrival on their first day of school. Ms. Short reviewed important senior year deadlines and valuable information on college preparations with the Class of 2019.

5. Senior, Sarah Toepfer records important dates to keep all college and senior year deadlines "in check" during opening day.

6. New Eucharistic Ministers were installed at our Feast of the Assumption Mass held Wednesday morning, August 15th, in our gym. These model students "answered the call" to serve their school and church parishes after pastoral and campus ministry review. They include: Brandon Bridges, Justin Bridges, Victoria Calamari, Bailey Ervin, Tyler Hoggatt, Chloe Stephan, Mark Tonglet, Annamarie Wingerter, and Claire Worchel. We are very proud of you all.

7. New installed Extraordinary Minister, Tyler Hoggatt, distributes communion for the first time.



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## Save the Dates

Members of our National Honor Society have been busily planning for this year's **Academic Olympics** when 250+ elementary school children will converge on our campus to be challenged and tested in hopes of being rewarded for their outstanding academic achievements. On Saturday, October 6th, competitors from St. Tammany and beyond will vie for a place at the top of their respective subjects. They include: Math, Reading, Science, Language Arts, and Technology categories. We thank the Honor Society and their moderators for all their planning for this important community-builder spotlighting academic excellence here at PJP.



### Open

**House** will be held this year on October 25th. Volunteers are needed and welcome to come help with this evening. Please let our Advancement Dept. know of your availability to come out and help us show guests our Jaguar hospitality.



The annual **Christmas Bazaar**, now in its 7th year, is set for Saturday, Nov. 3rd. Make plans to come out and shop our many vendors, take photos with Santa and enjoy the beginning of the holiday season. Over 40 artisans will be in our gym selling lots of great crafts and Christmas gifts. Vendor spots are limited, but still available. Contact Robin Mangano for more info or to volunteer.

# NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Daily Rotations for:

**Thursday, Aug 16 (G Day)**  
G, A, B, C, D

**Friday, Aug. 17 (E Day)**  
E, F, G, A, B

**Monday, Aug. 20 (C Day)**  
C, D, E, F, G

**Tuesday, Aug. 21 (A Day)**  
A, B, C, D, E

**Wednesday, Aug. 22 (F Day)**  
F, G, A, B, C



### Campus Ministry "Miracles"

Continuing PJP's commitment to faith development, our chapel will be available to students & guests on a DAILY basis during the 1st half of lunch. Please join us:

Monday	Praise and Worship
Tuesday	Mass
Wednesday	Communion Service
Thursday	Communion Service
Friday	Praise and Worship

**Visitors must sign in at our front office upon arrival.**

## Coming Soon

### August 25th

### Jaguar Football Tailgating Party

All are invited to come out and join our PJP family and tailgate with the Jaguars. Bring your own drink & refreshments and help kick off our football season. For more information or admission, please contact our Athletic Director, Mr. Richard Dieudonne.

**Please see the flyer at the back of this newsletter for info on how you can reserve your stadium seat(s) for the 2018 season.**

### September 24th

### College Fair Day

To date, over 20 college and universities have committed to join our student body for this event. Students will be given the opportunity to visit college reps and begin their search for life beyond high school. This has become an annual event and for the first time, will take place during the school day. We thank Ms. Short for all her hard work putting this event together.

