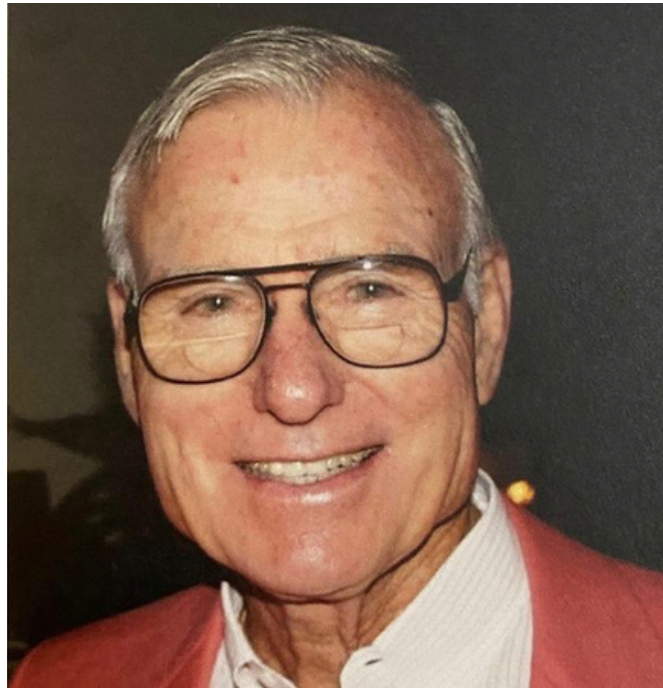


THE ROYAL REPORT

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JOHN SHEA

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John Shea was a generous man who sadly passed away on October 16, 2022. Mr. Shea was born on September 29, 1926, in Oakland, California. He grew up in Hancock Park and graduated from L. A. High School. He attended USC's Viterbi School of Engineering, where he played competitive tennis. He won an NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association) championship with his brother, Gilbert Shea, who doubled as his tennis partner. After college, John joined the family's construction business. The Shea company was founded in 1881 in Portland, Oregon. Mr. Shea soon owned a multi-billion dollar construction company. He spent more than six decades as a chief executive officer and was a well-known philanthropist. Mr. Shea had eight children of his own and 31 grandchildren. A fun fact about John Shea is that he was #1 ranking in his 50s for competitive tennis. St. Joseph School will always be grateful for the generosity of the Shea Foundation. It is because of this organization that our entire school was renovated in 2022. We are truly grateful to the Shea Foundation for their dedication to and support of our school. We will continue to pray for Mr. Shea and his family.

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OCTOBER IS A MONTH FOR MARY

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Many people have asked, "Why is it important to pray the rosary in the month of October?" There are many answers to this question, and we'll share a few. It's always important to pray the rosary, but it's especially important in the month of October. October is the month of the rosary, and is also the month of Mary. Many people have been mistaken that May is the only month of Mary, but that's incorrect. May and October are the months of Mary. Though it is important to acknowledge our Mother Mary, it's equally important to acknowledge Our Savior, Jesus. It's important to acknowledge both of them because we are praying the rosary in remembrance of Jesus and Mary. Jesus is the major person in our faith. Just like Jesus, the rosary means a lot to our faith. Since it means so much to us, it impacts our faith and relationship with God. The reason for this is the rosary is a strong collection of prayers that can strengthen our faith. Each Hail Mary that we pray brings us closer to God. Can you guess who we honor when praying the rosary? If you guessed Mary, you'd be correct! Mary received the message from the Angel Gabriel that she would be having a son named Jesus. The message he delivered is now in one of the most important prayers in the rosary, which is the Hail Mary. Because of this, the rosary impacts our relationship with God and Mary. It impacts our relationship with God because prayers are often very powerful and help us communicate with Him. Since the rosary is so powerful, you can recite this collection of prayers for guidance and help in your or someone else's life. The rosary can help us so much in life, that's why it's always important to pray it, especially in the month of October.



ADVENT SEASON AT SJS

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Advent is a very important season, especially to us Catholics. It is a time to prepare for the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. The main colors of this season on the Advent Wreath are pink, purple, and white. In the Church, we light a candle each Sunday in preparation. At school, we do a similar act and light a candle each Monday on our school's Advent Wreath, also in preparation. Our Student Council leads us in the lighting and prayer. This season helps to remind us of how close the coming birth of Jesus Christ is. Advent has always played an important role in our faith, and will always continue.



December Happenings

- 2 - La Puente Christmas Parade
- 6 - St. Nicholas Day
- 11- Choir Sunday
- 14 - SJS Christmas Program
- 19 - Start of Christmas Break
- 25 - Christmas Day

Fun Photos From the First Trimester!



Photos taken by:
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