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8TH GRADE GRADUATES - CLASS OF 2023

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Our 8th grade Class of 2023 is graduating and departing from SJS on May 31, 2023. Soon after summer vacation, they will be heading off to high school. This class has accomplished many things throughout their years here at SJS. They have grown to be an extraordinary group of young men and women. "I will always remember this year filled with many great memories and activities. I will forever be grateful for my class, teachers, and all this school has done for my class and me."

- Maylee A., SJS Student Council President, Class of 2023.

Many of our graduates have been with us for many years and have set great examples to the younger students as leaders this school year. We encourage them to embrace new opportunities and challenges and know there is still much more to learn. We wish the best for our Class of 2023 as they prepare for this new chapter in their lives and we will continue to love and remember them, here at SJS.

Many of our teachers have watched this class grow from little kids to the people they are today. The teachers who have taught them wanted to say a few words to our graduates: "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in Heaven." Matthew 5:16. I have loved witnessing you grow and I know you will do wonderful things.

- Mrs. Sahagun, 2nd Grade Teacher

It has been a blessing to be a witness on your first day in my Kindergarten class, and to see you now as graduates. I am so proud of how much you have grown academically and spiritually. I wish you the best in the next chapter of life. "Be who you were created to be and you will set the world on fire." St. Catherine of Siena.

- Mrs. Torres, 3rd Grade Teacher

Pray, work hard, care for others, and life will take you on many wonderful adventures.

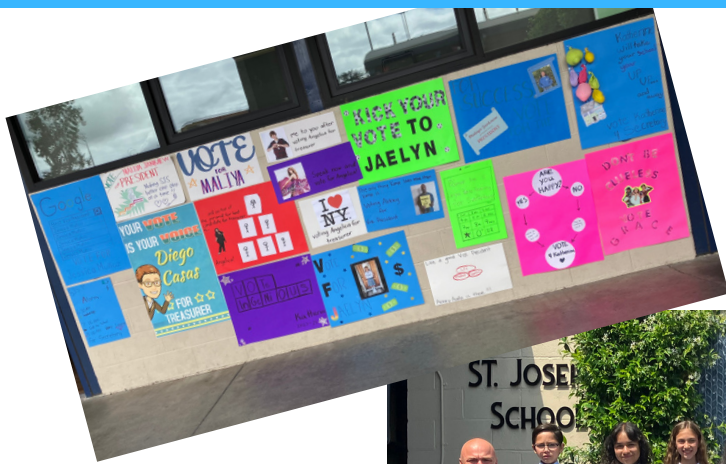
- Mrs. Silva, 5th Grade Teacher

Hello Royals!

I can't believe our 8th graders are less than a week from graduation! They will soon be leaving our campus for new adventures. We are certainly going to miss them but we are excited to see them start a new chapter in their lives. I encourage every student to send them off with a prayer, words of encouragement and maybe even a fist bump before they leave. For the rest of us, let's finish the year strong - Go Royals!

- Mr. Ranney, SJS Principal





SJS STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Written by: Abbey Acuña, Grade 6

Photos taken by: Mila Casas and Olivia Perez, Grade 6

This year, SJS held another successful Student Council election for the 2023-2024 school year. Outstanding students from the 6th-7th grades, ran for the positions of Treasurer, Secretary, Vice President, and President. Our wonderful candidates for Treasurer were Diego C., Jaelyn Z., and Angelica N. Our delightful candidates for Secretary were Leyna T., and Katherine Q. Our amazing candidates for Vice President were Abbey A., and Jessica M. Our brave candidates for Student Council President were Maliya J., and Grace P. Our elections were held, and winners were announced on Monday, May 8, 2023. Our newly elected student council is..... Angelica N. for Treasurer, Leyna T. for Secretary, Abbey A. for Vice President, and our Student Council President is Maliya J.! Our Commissioners are Diego C., Jaelyn Z., Katherine Q., Jessica M., and our Lead Ambassador is Grace P. We are very proud of all of our candidates, and hope to have a great following year. Here are a few words from our Student Council Moderator, Ms Contreras. Ms. Contreras said, "Everything ran very smoothly, and it was a very Christ-like campaign." Each of our classes also voted for their very own Class Ambassador, to represent their class in faith, family, and excellence. The class ambassadors are Mikayla V., John F., Hanna R., Camila C., and John M. We were all very excited to vote, and to hear the results of the elections, which were held by Ms. Contreras. Congratulations to all members of our new Student Council! We hope to have another great school year!!



THE SILVER ROSE

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Mila Casa and Jacqueline Avalos, Grade 6



The Silver Rose Program has been run by the Knights of Columbus for many years.

There are at least 8 roses on 8 different routes currently on their way all around North America. Most will end up back in Mexico for the Feast Day for Our Lady of Guadalupe, on December 12th. On Monday, May 8th the Knights of Columbus came to our school with the Silver Rose and prayed the whole rosary with our school. The Silver Rose travels everywhere. It goes to Canada, Alaska, California, Arizona, Idaho, Mexico, etc. The background on the Silver Rose is that it is a dedication to Juan Diego for him meeting Our Lady and the Miracle of the Roses. St. Joseph School celebrates the Silver Rose with the Knights of Columbus, and it is also a sign of unity. The Knights of Columbus made their own booklet for the Silver Rose and there are prayers and gospels in it. Originally, the Silver Rose was bronze, and then was later changed to silver. When the Knights of Columbus came to our school, they brought the Silver Rose and they had to wear gloves because they don't want any hand prints on it, and no one else can touch the Silver Rose. We were happy to get to honor Our Lady in this very special way.



BEST MEMORIES AT SJS IN 2022-2023

Written by: Chloe Ramirez and Jaelyn Zachman, 6th Grade



This year was one of the best school years!

Let's talk about the best memories this year. Coming in as the students' favorite is the Book Fair! It was from March 7th to March 9th and it was a great three days for every grade level. Coming in at number two is Snow Day! Snow Day was a day to honor the students. On February 1st we had snow on campus and had food and drinks. Next is the Fun Run! It was an amazing day for all the students to have a fun play day. It took place on October 20th. Coming in next is All Saints' Day. It was a day to honor all the saints in heaven and that was held on November 1st. One of our school's most honorable days is Saint Joseph's Feast Day because our school is named after St. Joseph and we need to honor him and that was on March 20th. Lastly, is the most recent favorite, the May Crowning! It was a beautiful and amazing day to honor our Blessed Mary. Also, our 8th grade and 2nd grade students were an important part of the May Crowning. There were so many more fun days this school year, but this is what we found the most fun for students!



ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL'S MAY CROWNING

Written and photographed by: Olivia Perez, Grade 6

The May Crowning at SJS started with the 8th grade boys and girls walking into the Church. The 2nd graders, in their First Holy Communion outfits, lined the center aisle. After sitting down we began saying the Rosary. Then, Mary was crowned. This year it was Maylee A. and Evan B. from the 8th grade had been chosen for this special role. Then the 8th graders said their consecration and asked for protection over the 8th graders for when they go to high school. After that anyone who had a flower put it near the statue of Mary. Did you know that the May Crowning has been going on here since 1950? I asked one of the teachers what her favorite moment from the May crowning was? Ms. Acuna, the 8th grade teacher said, "When the 8th graders say the consecration and then ask for protection and the priest blesses the graduates." The May Crowning was a beautiful occasion. I hope everyone enjoyed the May Crowning this year.

FATHER JEAN'S SOCCER SKILLS!

Photos by: Mila Casa, Grade 6

Fr. Jean stopped by campus on Tuesday, May 16th. Everyone is always happy to see Fr. Jean when he visits! This day was extra special because Fr. Jean stopped to play with some of the students during second recess. He played volleyball and then also displayed his soccer skills. The students were impressed and yelled and applauded his talent! It was a great time for everyone Thank you, Fr. Jean and may God Bless You!

