

TIGER TALES

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Written by a tale-telling teacher

WooHoo!!! Had a blast at Parent-Teacher conferences... said no parent or teacher, ever! Luckily, our SJS parents are awesome and always help make our jobs easier! I was reading an article in the Knights of Columbus magazine on Saturday and the ending quote caught my attention. It was from St. Teresa of Avila:

“Christ has no body now on earth but yours; no hands but yours; no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which the compassion of Christ must look out on the world. Yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good. Yours are the hands with which he is to bless his people.”

On so many levels, this quote reminded me of SJS. It is in the core of each of our dedicated, sacrificing parents; it is the reason our faculty and staff are happy to wake up each morning and get to work. This quote is basis of what we are teaching the students at SJS - it compliments our mission with every word. We are to follow in His footsteps, being his eyes, his feet and his hands. What better example for all of us, than our own Bishop Brendan Cahill, as well as Father Matthew and Father Jacob. We are so blessed to have such strong examples of Christ in our Community. We invite our SJS community, along with our parish community to celebrate Mass with us the Wednesday at 8:05 am, as Bishop Cahill will be the Mass Celebrant. We are excited about his visit to SJS and pray for a day filled with joy.

In BIG SJS NEWS... we have T-MINUS 3 days to Fall Festival FUN! People of Yoakum, come have a great time playing games, eating delicious food, touring the haunted house, and winning raffles and drawings! SJS Parents and students, look for the Prize Patrol stamp on all of your #SJSFallFestival17 information to know when you might be a lucky winner! Yoakum, make plans now to join us at our annual Fall Festival - Saturday, October 28: Jack O'Lantern Jog @ 8 am, followed by Fall Festival Fun from 4-8 pm. Check out our school website for details and entry forms. www.stj Catholics school.com

In other news, Yoakum, we are pleased to announce that our 8th grade class has taken an active interest in decorating. Several of the SJS teachers were surprised to wake up Sunday morning to lofty, white streamers and garland embellishments throughout our trees and bushes. I, for one, was impressed with the durability and strength of the fabric used, as it has already survived rain and is holding tight in the tops of my trees. Fortunately, 8th grade boys

generally move on from one hobby to another quickly. I assume this sudden interest in decorating is a passing phase that has already lost its excitement for this year...

Up this week... Red Ribbon Week! Students will be learning about drug awareness in Science classes this week and all of SJS is encouraged to wear RED on Thursday! We are wrapping up our Volleyball and Football seasons for the 17-18 school year. We are so proud of all of the accomplishments, learning and effort that we have seen from our athletes this year! Basketball season is just around the corner and we are excited to continue growing our athletes in the areas of sportsmanship and ability! Finally, we end the week with K-3 field trips to the famous Corn Maze! Perfect timing to get everyone excited about the Fall Festival Fun waiting for us on Saturday!

Prayers for all who read Tiger Tales, in thanksgiving for your love and support and in asking for God's blessings on you for another week.