

PACK *Press*



The Fiorucci, Willetts, and Paulshock families at 8th grade graduation, June 2018.

Welcome Home

There are many families whose history at St. Joseph School - Fullerton spans generations. One such family is the Paulshock family with over 100 years of memories at our school. The Fiorucci and Willetts families are members of the Paulshock family and their children are presently fourth generation St. Joseph School students.

It all started with Genevieve Paulshock, the recently deceased great grandmother

of students currently in our school, attended St. Joseph School when it was nothing more than a small building with two classrooms next to a convent on our current school parking lot. Candice Willetts, granddaughter of Genevieve and mother of two current students, heard stories from her father of "huge oak desks with inkwells for writing". Genevieve was later the first crossing guard at our school, prior to the traffic light being installed at

Continued onto next page





PRINCIPAL
Kenneth J. Pipkin

ASSISTANT
PRINCIPAL
Christina Ashby

DIRECTOR OF
MARKETING AND
ADVANCEMENT
Francesca Troiano

ADVANCEMENT
ASSOCIATE
Paula Beres

ADVANCEMENT
ASSISTANTS
Angela Corno
Robin Isom

LAYOUT/DESIGN
Andrea Edwards

MISSION
STATEMENT

St. Joseph School educates children PreK-4 through eighth grade in the Catholic Tradition. Our mission is to provide a positive learning environment in which every child is challenged to develop his/her full potential: academically, spiritually, and morally.

St. Joseph
School - Fullerton
8416 Belair Road
Baltimore, MD 21236
410-256-8026
www.stjoeschool.org

A Note from the Principal



I am excited to introduce to you the inaugural edition of the Pack Press! We hope you find this magazine informative as we strive to keep you up-to-date with news about St. Joseph School, St. Joseph Church and our Alumni.

The first day of school brings new beginnings as we see old friends, meet new friends and feel the promise of achieving something great. I encourage all of you to foster that first day optimism in your own lives. To our Alumni, I hope you enjoy allowing us to reach out to you, and we hope you reach out to us as well. We all share in this wonderful school and I want us all to feel a part of the family that we call St. Joseph School.

Blessings and Peace,

Kenneth J. Pipkin
Principal

Welcome Home (continued from front page)

Belair Road, and remained our school's crossing guard for 34 years. Candice's sister, Paula Fiorucci, mother of two current students and one graduate, fondly remembers her grandmother's "small, but mighty self, walking right out into the traffic on Belair Road and stopping every car with her uniform and whistle!"

Candice and Paula claim their extended family shares a love and fond memories of being students at our school. Candice says, "I know I can speak for my sisters and family in saying we loved that little school when we went there! I always felt safe and comfortable. Families knew families and teachers knew families. We learned early on the importance of giving to those in need and giving back to your community. And that's one of life's lessons that I'm the most grateful my parents could give me as a child." They continue to feel a special bond at St. Joseph and send their own children here without hes-

itation. Paula says, "It's the strong sense of faith and traditions that keeps bringing us back." Paula also sees this with other families at St. Joseph School. "A boy I went from Kindergarten to eighth grade with is

"It's the strong sense of faith and tradition that keeps bringing us back."

still a good friend of mine, and now our girls are in class together!"

The Fiorucci and Willetts families are active volunteers at St. Joseph School because of the example set by the generations before them. Candice says, "When the staff and other school families become your extended family, and your school feels like home, you give back".

CURRENT STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



We are pleased to announce Margaret Ramoy, fifth grader at St. Joseph School – Fullerton and parishioner of St. Joseph Church, was awarded the prestigious Knott Scholarship! The Knott Scholarship Foundation awards four-year, full-tuition scholarships to academically talented students who attend Catholic parish elementary schools in Baltimore and surrounding counties.

Margaret is not only academically gifted but also participates in a variety of activities. She looks forward to becoming an altar server this year at St. Joseph's Church, she swims competitively year round for a swim club, and she is also a member of Kids for Christ, where she enjoys learning more about God and dances and sings with other children in worship. Congratulations, Margaret!

ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEWS

St. Joseph Church is led by Pastor, Rev. Jesse Bolger with the assistance of Associate Pastor Rev. Joseph Langan, and Associate Pastor Rev. Francis Ouma. The Mission of St. Joseph Church is to strengthen marriage and the family and to cultivate a spirit of shared commitment to our church, leading a Christian life, and spreading our faith to others.

All are welcome to our Faith, Family, and Fellowship reception on the first Sunday of each month following the 10:30 a.m. Mass in our Parish Center. It is a wonderful



opportunity to meet and socialize with other church and school families. We also invite you to view our Mass schedule and upcoming events on the church website.

www.stjoeffullerton.org



Mrs. Genevieve Paulshock

Snapshots



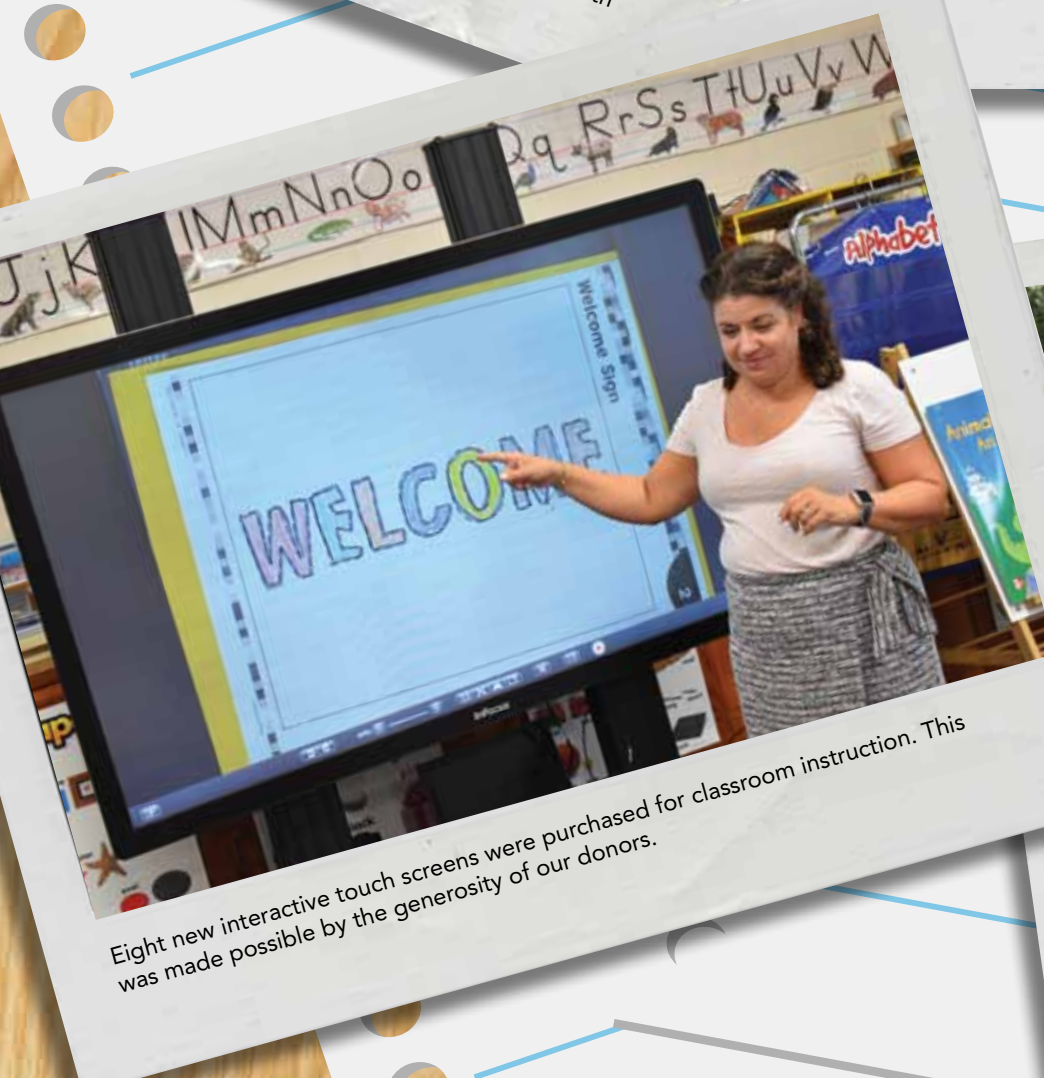
The Msgr. Ambrose J. Quinn Memorial Award for Christian Fellowship, sponsored/presented by St. Joseph Church Holy Name Society, was awarded to Joshua J. at our 8th graduation ceremony, June 2018.



Archbishop William Lori and Rev. Jesse Bolger blessed our new Science Lab during a ribbon cutting ceremony, September 2017.



Meet our Mascot, Wolfie!



Eight new interactive touch screens were purchased for classroom instruction. This was made possible by the generosity of our donors.



School safeties welcome students back to school, Septemeber 2018.



The Marion Award for Christian Fellowship, sponsored/presented by the St. Joseph Church Sodality, was awarded to Corinne Q. at our 8th grade graduation ceremony, June 2018.



Mr. Pipkin welcomes students on the first day of school, September 2018.

At St. Joseph School - Fullerton we are all a part of the P.A.C.K.



P
Pray

A
Accept
Responsibility

C
Cooperate

K
Keep Trying

What's Happening at St. Joseph: The Year of Service

The Archdiocese of Baltimore has declared the 2018-2019 school year the "Year of Service". While service has always been a focal point of Catholic education, St. Joseph School Assistant Principal, Mrs. Christina Ashby, explains, "There will be a designated focus each month of the school year where students, teachers, and faculty come together to help our community." The monthly service theme will kick off each month with a school-wide assembly. Students will not only learn about the designated service project, but will also learn the meaningful lesson of why we are helping those in need. Some of the upcoming service projects include: making box lunches for the homeless, making cards for the elderly in nursing homes, and collecting canned goods for those in need.

Last spring, students throughout the Archdiocese of Baltimore participated in a logo design contest to help create the Year of Service logo. Will Pipkin, seventh grader at St. Joseph School, was selected as the winner of the logo contest. His Year of Service

logo design was digitized by the Archdiocese of Baltimore, and it will be used throughout the Archdiocese to help promote the Year of Service. Will explains the inspiration for his artwork, "When I thought about this year's logo, the first thing that came to mind was the Earth because when you give service, you are



giving back to the world and other people. The children represent each of us in God's image both young and old. Together as one, we can change the world. The cross is at the heart of us all, and when we serve others we are serving God."

TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

Ms. James Celebrates 45 Years of Teaching

Although time passes, you would never know it looking and talking with St. Joseph School second grade teacher, Ms. Kathy James. This year, she celebrates 45 years of teaching but continues to feel the thrill of seeing a new class enter her room at the beginning of each year, and know they are all about to embark on another wonderful educational adventure together.

Even after all these years, "The children have brought such joy to my life and make me laugh every day. I know this was my purpose". Ms. James especially loves that moment when a child who has been struggling with a concept finally "gets it". Her sensitivity and compassion for every type of student sitting in

front of her is something that makes her truly remarkable.

Ms. James taught at Most Precious Blood School from 1973-1980 before coming to St. Joseph School. She has taught over 1,500 students, under the guidance of six different principals. At some point, Ms. James has taught every grade from Kindergarten to eighth grade, as well as adult students at Harford Community College.

During her teaching career she has seen a huge change in the increased focus on technology, but she enjoys being a student herself, and learning new things.

We are so lucky to have Ms. James at our school and congratulate her on the many years of inspired teaching.



SAVE THE DATE Events you don't want to miss.

Friday, November 2 Race for Education

Sponsor a student as they walk and run laps around our campus while raising money for our school. Visit our website, www.stjoeschool.org, for more details.

Saturday, November 10 Dancing through the Decades

Join us for a night of fun as we dance and boogie through the decades. Food catered by Conrad's. All proceeds will support our new Multimedia Center. For more

information and to order tickets visit our website, www.stjoeschool.org.

Monday, November 12 Open House

Please help us spread the word about our Open House for prospective



school families on November 12 from 8:30 - 11:00 a.m. Prospective families are invited to attend to learn more about our academic program and extracurricular activities. To register go to www.stjoeschool.org/admissions/open-house.

Thursday, November 29 Sip & Shop

Enjoy a glass of wine while you shop 'til you drop! Many local

vendors will be set-up in the Parish Center to help you get a jump start on that holiday gift list. Tickets are available for purchase at the door.

Saturday, December 1 Lunch with Santa

Join us for an afternoon of fun at Lunch with Santa. Tickets are limited, so don't miss out! Tickets will be available on our school website in November.



ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL - FULLERTON
8416 Belair Road • Baltimore, MD 21236



Where are you now?

ALUMNI UPDATE

We love hearing from our alumni!

Please go to www.stjoeschool.org/alumni to update your contact information or submit a news story.

Thank you for your continued financial support.

Please view our 2017-2018 Giving Report on our website- www.stjoeschool.org/giving/annual-report.