



# St. Joseph Catholic School

*Here's what's happening in 3rd Grade – Read below to be in the know!!!  
September 22, 2011*



**Reading:** We are working on comparing and contrasting, cause and effect, and main idea. We are also exploring the many different genres and identifying key characteristics for each.

**English:** We are covering complete sentences and learning how to identify compound sentences, fragments, and run-on sentences. We will begin working on common and proper nouns.

**Spelling:** The students are studying words with long vowel sounds. Please be helping your child study their spelling words throughout the week. There is a spelling and vocabulary test at the end of every week. Your child can practice spelling and vocabulary words at [www.connected.mcgraw-hill.com](http://www.connected.mcgraw-hill.com).

**Social Studies:** We are beginning Chapter 1: *Learning About Communities*.

**Science:** We are studying the unit on *Matter*.

**Math:** Unit 2: *Adding and Subtracting Whole Numbers*.

**Religion:** Chapter 3: *Mary Trusted God* [Test--Thursday, September 22. This includes a quiz on the Joyful Mysteries].  
Chapter 4: *Women of Faith* [Test—Thursday, October 14].  
We are also continuing Steps to Respect Lessons.



**Our Read Aloud Book(s):** Tales of the Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume

**Important Dates:**

**Special Events:**

**Reminders for Parents:**



1<sup>st</sup> Qtr. AR Goals: Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>

Library Books: Due on Tuesday

Permission Slip:

Please Return: Oktoberfest Ticket Packets on Fridays