

# THE STEWARD

WINTER UPDATE | DEC. 2021

## Season of Gratitude: Manger Moments at JP II

In the year 1223, St. Francis created the first nativity scene with the hopes of stirring great devotion among the people in the town of Greccio, Italy. He found a niche in a rock near the town square and set up an altar along with a manger. St. Francis preached at midnight Mass of the story of God's love breaking into the world through the incarnation.

We have those "manger moments" often here at JP II in our hallways and classrooms. Observe as students gather in the chapel to pray the rosary before school. Watch as 1,100 cans of chili are collected in the lobby to help people struggling with food insecurity. Notice the teacher, coach, or administrator listening with hearts of compassion to a hurting student. Manger moments!



When you share your time, talent and treasure with us you become co-creators of incarnational experiences here at JP II, moments where Christ's love is made manifest. St. Francis

of Assisi said, "It is in giving that we receive." So, for all of you who have given, especially those parents who have shared your greatest treasure with us, your children, we say thank you. We pray you receive God's blessings upon you and all those you love.

Merry Christmas from the entire JP II Faculty and Staff!

## Eagles Flying High, In and Out of the Classroom

We aren't kidding when we say that our mission is to form well-rounded young men and women.



More than 90% percent of our students participate in co-curricular activities and they excel in them. Our Girls Cross Country team won State for the second consecutive year. They also brought home the State Academic Championship trophy for their division meaning they had the highest GPA average of any other competing team in the state.

The JP II Boys Cross Country team placed second at State for the third consecutive year. The Volleyball team made it to the second round of League Championships competing against the number one seed. The JP II Robotics team, Steel Wings, competed with Zippy the Robot for the first time this year, overcoming early adversity, tying for 9th out of 15 teams.

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