SJC News - December 2023

SJC Friends & Alumni Event - Thank You for Coming!

Thanks to all that attended or supported the December 5th SJC Alumni & Friends event. Over 100 people heard from alums Edmonton Oiler Derek Ryan and recent graduate Maria, and an update from President Flynn! Special thanks to Troubled Monk Brewery for sponsoring our beverages that evening! We even had SIX DECADES of former students represented! We hope to host something similar next December, but in the meantime, we hope to see many of you at our 2nd Annual SJC Spring Fundraising Breakfast on Saturday, April 20th, 2024. More details coming soon!
Christmas Mass Schedule

Please join in celebrating the Christmas season with us!

Christmas Eve: 7pm and 9pm
Christmas Day: 10am
New Year’s Eve: 7pm
New Year’s Day: Noon

Winter 2024 SJC Courses!

Still have some space in your Winter 2024 class schedule? Check out our [brochure](#) for a full list of the courses we offer, as well as information about our programs & awards.

Sign up today on [BearTracks](#)!

Sharing Christmas Event!

Just under 200 students stopped by SJC on December 8th to enjoy our firepit, cookies, and hot cocoa and to learn more about upcoming courses from our faculty. Oh - and they also might have visited to get a chance to win $500 to the UofA bookstore! Congrats to Hailey for being that lucky student!

End of Year Giving

As you prayerfully consider end of the year gifts (for all non-profits, a significant amount of donations occur each December), we do hope you can support St. Joseph's College! Whether you are a current or former student, a member of our worshipping community, or even someone that appreciates having a Catholic community existing here in the heart of the University of Alberta, know that your support is both appreciated and needed. Our Advancement Office (780-492-9447) will be open and monitoring the phones right to 11:59pm on December 31st!

Options to support us (in order of SJC preference!):

- Now is a great time to set up a monthly donation to SJC, as the more we can spread donations throughout the year, the easier it is to budget! Call the Finance Office at 780-492-9240 to make this happen.
- A one-time e-transfer to sjcpay@ualberta.ca - no password is needed.
Stop by SJC with a cheque or cash - we can even give you a quick tour if it's been a while.

Call the Finance Office at 780-492-9240 for a one-time credit card payment.

Feel free to speak directly with Mark Ferne (ferne@ualberta.ca) and the Advancement Office (780-492-9447) about any type of donation, including non-financial gifts and legacy/estate gifts!

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**Winter 2024 Residence: Spots Available!**

Looking for a place to live for Winter 2024? We have a few spaces available in our residences, and we'd love to have you!  Learn more and apply here.

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**SJC Awards**

Reminder that the SJC awards deadline is **February 29th, 2024**.

Apply [Here](#)!

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**Following our Social Media?**

If you aren't following our Instagram, Twitter, or Facebook accounts, you are missing out! From news about upcoming events, photos from past events, and information on courses, awards/scholarships, residences and more, we try to be fairly active and would love for you to engage with us there! This last week showed many of the new SJC students!

For those who use LinkedIn, we now have an SJC Alumni LinkedIn Page. Click [here](#) to follow!

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**SJC's Got Talent**

Are you living at SJC, taking a course at SJC, or a member of our worshipping community or CSA and HAVE A TALENT? Here is your chance. Our 2nd Annual SJC's Got Talent will occur on **March 14th**. Be on the lookout for more info in January, but start Practising over break!

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**SJC Speaker Series - Winter 2024**
Have some free this winter? Join us at one of our speaker series events!

January 24th - "Nature, God, and Nation: Catholic Youth and the Natural World from the 1910s to 1930s"

February 10th - Dr. Roisin Coll, University of Glasgow - with the ACSTA Catholic Education Symposium

March 22nd - "Tensions between Indigenous and Western Philosophies: Latin America Encountering Europe and Christianity"

More information coming soon via SJC social media and our website.

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**Save The Date!**

While it may seem like a long way away, please hold the morning of Saturday, April 20 for our second annual **SJC Spring Fundraising Breakfast**, held at The University Club on campus. We hope you plan to attend, not to mention to invite others!

More information coming soon via our website and social media.

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**Giving Back!**

Wondering how our residents are giving back? This month they hosted and attended some wonderful events:

- **Cards for Humanity**: They created personalized Christmas cards for seniors in long-term care. What a nice way to fill their holiday season with love, warmth, and the magic of heartfelt messages.

- **Mustard Seed Sorting**: Our Catholic Students' Association supported the Mustard Seed by sorting toys for their Gift Shop. Families pick up donated toys at a greatly reduced (or no) cost for Christmas. You can see there was lots of sorting that needed to occur!

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**SJC Merch**
Looking to represent your school on an awesome hoodie, shirt, hat or other swag?

Shop our merchandise site for some St. Joseph’s College swag! The merchandise is customizable and you can choose from a variety of brands, products, and designs to show off your SJC, Ranger or Kateri pride. Additionally, 10% of all purchases help support the college directly!

Click [here](#) to shop!

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Need Summer Accommodations?

Our residence buildings are available to house groups over the summer. Do you know of a camp, class, or retreat that is looking for a home? [Contact us](#)

We would love to have you, and our facilities and meal plans are some of the best in Edmonton! 2023 was jam-packed, and dates for 2024 are already filling up.

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*Quaecumque Vera Doce Me - Teach Me Whatsoever Things are True*