Dear Parents,

At Saints John & Paul School, our Catholic faith is at the core of all we do. Our faith is manifest in the substance of what we teach, in the virtues the faculty and staff seek to exemplify, in the ways the children are encouraged to treat one another and care for those in need, and in our prayer. We begin each morning at SJP with prayer. The children are taught to pray throughout the day; for example, each class prays before eating lunch. The children often come together as an entire community to pray the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the Holy Rosary, and the Stations of the Cross. We hope that you also continue to support their growth in prayer at home by praying before meals, by gathering together as a family to pray the rosary (or at least a part of the rosary) in the evening, and most especially by attending Sunday Mass as a family.

This year, we would also like to start something new: <u>Parents' Eucharistic Adoration</u> <u>for the Children of SJP School</u>. We are going to set aside one day a week when school parents can sign up to pray in the Sacred Heart Adoration Chapel (next to the Nazareth Center). On that day, parents can come to pray for our school and all of the children in our school. It would be a great gift to our children to have parents praying for them—for their spiritual growth, for their growth in wisdom, for understanding of God's love for them, for knowledge about their vocations, for calm in moments of stress, for patience when they are challenged, and for protection from all harm. The children in the school would be reminded each week that parents are praying for them all day long in the adoration chapel. <u>Imagine the consolation and love they will experience knowing that there is someone praying for them all day!</u>

We have decided to set aside **Wednesdays from 8:00am until 2:30pm** for school parents to sign up for Adoration. You can sign up for ½ hour slots. If you can devote a half-hour or an hour to prayer for our school children, please sign up! We need *at least* one person for each slot, *preferably* two. If there are more, great! Of course, you can come to pray for your children any time in the Sacred Heart Adoration Chapel, but we think that having a dedicated day each week for prayer for our children will bear immense spiritual fruit in our school. We know that it will also bear spiritual fruit in your own life. If you don't know what to do during Adoration, no worries! We will have books and sheets available to help you during your time of prayer.

Please sign up by clicking the link below and adding your name to the spreadsheet. If you can commit to the same time slot every week, please add an exclamation point (!) next to your name and we will automatically add you from week to week. You can also sign up for individual weeks. Each sheet has all the possible weeks in a specific month. To move from month to month, please go from sheet to sheet.

Parent Adoration Sign Up

In Christ, Most Rev. John S. Bonnici, Pastor and Auxiliary Bishop Rev. Louis P. Masi, Administrator