

# The Guardian

### FROM THE HEADMASTER...

Happy Easter! I hope and pray that you and your family had a blessed Easter and restful break.

We are now just days away from this year's Veritas Lecture and Gala. This a very important fundraiser that helps sustain our school and ensure that we can continue the important daily work of supporting families and forming children. Even more, the Veritas Lecture and Gala is the primary way we reach out to the wider Lafayette community and invite them to join in our mission.

Although a group of wonderful parents, faculty, and staff have been working tirelessly for months on this year's event, the Gala is not primarily or ultimately their event. I want every JPG family to know that during these many months, these volunteers have really been working for you, because this is your Gala, and JPG is your school. From the beginning, it has been a hallmark of our community that JPG parents have felt a strong sense of responsibility for supporting the school with their time, creativity, and energy. Indeed, the need for parental commitment and involvement has never been greater.

It is in this spirit that I want to again invite you to participate in this year's JPG Gala, which is just a few weeks away on Saturday, April 16.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

April 15 – Grandparents Day

April 16 – 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Veritas Lecture & Gala

April 23 – Spring Formal

April 25 – Noon Dismissal

April 27 – Science Day

April 27 – Quarterly Parent Meeting @ 6:00pm

April 29 – Arbor Day



Last month, I wrote about the theme of this year's Gala, which centers around the family. Our Gala speaker, Mr. Steve Bollman, will be speaking in part on the "Choice Wine," a program focused on strengthening marriage and supporting families. How appropriate that we would spend time thinking about the family as the "domestic church," since our school exists above all to support families in the formation of their children as citizens and saints. And, though it is often forgotten in today's troubled times, families were made to be supported through the sacrifice and service of fathers. Families depend on the generous self-gift of mothers. Even more to the point, families and children(!) depend on the integrity and commitment of their parents' marriage. Everything depends on this simple sacred bond, on the promise of two people and their daily decision to serve one another. Please think of friends who would benefit from hearing this message, and invite them to come to the Gala.

Echoing again Pope St. John Paul the Great, "The future of the world passes through the family." We dare not take our own families for granted. Instead, with the Holy Family as our model, let us dedicate our school and its mission to strengthen marriages, to build up families, and to support parents in their primary vocation to educate their children.

In the peace of Christ,

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Peter Fletcher

President & Headmaster

## JOHN PAUL THE GREAT ACADEMY



SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2016 · 6PM CAJUNDOME CONVENTION CENTER



# STEVE BOLLMAN FOUNDER OF That Man is You!



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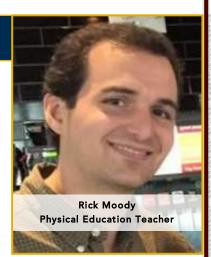
PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT OUR GALA!

INVITE YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

THE SUCCESS OF THIS EVENT DEPENDS ON YOU!

# MEET...

Rick Moody was born and raised in Lafayette, LA. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in Accounting from LSU and a master's degree in Finance from Tulane. Since graduation, Rick has been involved in ministry in numerous ways. He has lived and worked at two summer Christian camps,



Chasatonga and Life Teen Covecrest. He has also been a student and intern with the Theology of the Body Institute in Philadelphia, PA, and a missionary for Dumb Ox Ministries of New Orleans, LA. He has joined the JPG family as our physical education teacher because JPG "authentically lives out the Catholic faith, has a family-oriented environment, and allows teachers the freedom to teach in a way that inspires kids to holiness."

#### SPRING FORMAL

Our Spring Formal for 9th – 12th grade will be on Saturday, April 23 from 7:00 – 10:00pm at the Glass Room at Buck & Johnny's in Breaux Bridge. The theme is "A Night on Olympus." Tickets are on sale in the Front Office. We will see you there!



#### MASTER PLAN REVEALED!

Join us for the last Quarterly Parent Meeting on Wednesday April 27 as Mr. Fletcher presents the exciting Master Plan of JPG.

#### GRANDPARENTS DAY!

Please join us for Grandparents Day on Friday, April 15 from 1:00 – 3:00pm in the refectory! Please see the flyer on our website under the "Parents" tab for details.

#### LUNCH ORDERS

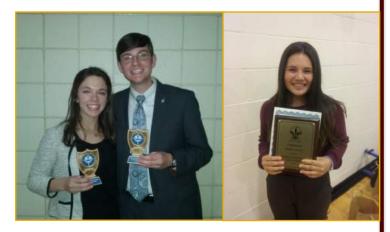
May lunch orders are due by Monday, April 18. Please go to jpgacademy.org > "Parents" tab > Lunch Orders to place your order.



## **VERITAS**

#### SPEECH & DEBATE

Congratulations to our Guardian Speech & Debate Team for their fantastic showing in the state of Louisiana this year. In particular, congratulations to freshman Katelyn Mouton (pictured right) for finishing third in the state in Oratorical Declamation and making the All State Team. Additionally, JPG will be sending two students to Sacramento, California in May to represent us in the event of Student Congress: freshman Hope Lewis and senior Luke Kirk (pictured left). Congratulations Guardians!



#### SCIENCE DAY

Science Day at JPG is a time for our school community to enjoy the two-fold gift God has given us through nature: a beautiful universe and a beautiful mind capable of discovering its Creator through His creation. This year, we would like to invite parents to be a bigger part of Science Day. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this event. We are in need of parent volunteers to help coordinate and organize ahead of time and assist during the event. If you have ideas, suggestions, or want to contribute in any way, please email Mr. Albarado at kalbarado@jpgacademy.org.

#### BIRTHDAY OF ROME

On Thursday, April 21, Latin and Ancient World upper school students will celebrate the 2,768th anniversary of the founding of Rome by building a scale model of the Eternal City in front of the main building. Be sure to check in throughout the day to witness the transition from prehistoric village to international empire!

#### STATE LITERARY RALLY

Congratulations to students who qualified for State Literary Rally by placing 1st – 3rd in their category at the district level:

Placing 1st:

Advanced Math/Functions & Stat.: Ioshua Fouchi Mia Lormand Biology: English IV: Luke Kirk Fine Arts Survey: Morgan Munzing Kari Wexler French: Geometry: Logan Huval Principles of Business: Noah Yarborough U.S. History: Madison Price World History: Jordan Meche Speech - Original Oratory **Iordan Doiron** 

Placing 2nd:

Algebra: Caleb Williams
Civics: Jeanne-Claire Benton
English I: Michael Johnson
English II: Aidan Fletcher
World Geography: Simon Richard
Calculus Logan Habetz

Placing 3rd:

Advanced Math/Pre-Calc: Tim Johnson
Environmental Science: Christian Cambre
Physics: Madeline Hornsby

**Open Events:** 

Latin II Emily Lormand
Latin I Daniel Johnson

# BACCALAUREATE CEREMONY, GRADUATION MASS & RECEPTION

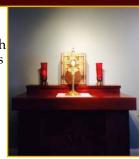
Join us for the Upper School Awards and Baccalaureate Ceremony on Thursday, May 12 at 6:00pm in the JPG chapel. The senior Graduation Mass will be on Saturday, May 14 at 9:30am at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Carencro, followed by a reception in the Church Hall.

### FIDES

#### **ADORATION**

Please consider spending an hour with Our Lord. The following are the hours that need committed adorers:

- Tuesdays @ 12 midnight
- Wednesday @ 11pm
- Thursdays @ 1am, 5pm
- Fridays @ 2am
- Saturdays @ 12pm, 1pm



## VIRTUS



# INVITATIONAL QUAD

Saturday, April 9 3:00 pm Northside Track

FAITH

LOUISIANA ACADEMY HOMESCHOOL

SOUTHWEST JOHN PAUL BETHANY THE GREAT CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

SCHOOL

#### TRACK & FIELD

We are hosting our first track meet! The JPG Invitational Quad Track and Field Meet is Saturday, April 9 at 3:00pm at the Northside High Track. The JPG Guardian track team will also be competing at the ACEL State Track and Field Meet on May 7th in St. Gabriel, LA.



#### EXTRA-CURRICULAR SCHEDULE

April 9 – JPG Invitational Quad Track and Field Meet

April 13 – Conquest @ 3:30pm

April 15 – Challenge Meeting @ 3:00pm

April 20 – Conquest @ 3:30pm

April 22 – Challenge Meeting @ 3:00pm

April 27 – Conquest @ 3:30pm

April 29 – Challenge Meeting @ 3:00pm

# NASHVILLE DOMINICANS VISIT JPG!

