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## Re: Saint Joseph Catholic School – 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Saint Joseph Catholic School, in Howell, had a fun week celebrating the school's 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The school has seen a number of changes over those years, including substantial growth and development and strong connections with the church and community. The school has also been hit hard with reductions related to the economic shifts over the history. Whether the school has full capacity or limited capacity, one thing is clear, these children love their school!

The school had fun activities to celebrate throughout the week. There was 80 reasons to love our school, dress as an 80 year old and 80 minutes of community service. Teachers tied in classroom instruction to include 80 as part of the lesson. On the actual date of the anniversary, September 9<sup>th</sup>, the decision was made to invite any and all students from their 80 year history to a celebration mass. It was amazing to see students from across the years and one family had 3 generations of students in attendance! Future anniversaries are already on volunteers' minds, as they are working through the archives, which is starting to look like a who's who of Livingston County. Some of our founding families have streets or buildings named after them. All in all, it was a week to celebrate and the students at Saint Joe were up for the challenge!

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